

Abbreviations:

RL = Rib
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RLH = Rib Lake History

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RLHe = Rib Lake Herald

RLLC = Rib Lake Lumber Comp
AC = Annotated Chronology of
the Rib Lake Herald

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As of 5/7/2009, the Annotated Chronology covered all available (extant) copies of the Rib Lake Herald - 12/26/1902 to 9/20/1973. The later date is the cessation of publication.

MRPA = McComb's Racing
Park Addition to the Village of
Rib Lake: the 1897 plat of lots
& blocks in the center of the
Village

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- 2. To access the annotated chronology online, go to www.riblakehistory.com.
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| 1/4/1962 | Forest, Wood | DOWN THE ROAD "The Chequamegon National Forest will plant 14,309,000 trees on approximately 15,000 acres in the next 5 years. In addition to the planting, approximately 30,000 acres of established plantation will be released from hardwood competition during the same 5-year period. ¶ The Chequamegon National Forest presently has about 95,000 acres of successful conifer plantation. Most of these plantations were established by CCC enrollees during the period of 1933-1940. Many of the early-established plantations are approaching the time when a commercial harvest of a selected portion of the stand can be made. ¶ Survey records have revealed that approximately 140,000 acres of forest are in need of tree planting to complete the transition from idle acres to productive timber land. ¶ Much of the past tree planting on the Chequamegon National Forest has been on areas |
| 1/4/1962 (cont) | Forest, Wood (cont) | ¶ Heavy equipment manufacturers have been designing and manufacturing equipment for several years now to overcome the brush problem on planting sites. One of the machines developed is a large disk trencher that is attached to a heavy crawler-type tractor, and exposes a wide furrow of mineral soil through the brushy areas. The Chequamegon will have one of these machines to use for preparation of brushy planting sites this coming spring. ¶ Another recent development in tree planting, which has proven successful in the Chequamegon, is the wild land tree planter. This is a heavy-duty machine equipped with a "V" blade ahead of the tractor for breaking down brush and undesirable trees on the planting site. Tree planters using this machine on the forest can plant approximately 1 acre per hour in the difficult terrain and brushy areas. The forest will have three of these large tree planting machines by the time spring planting begins." |
| 1/4/1962 | Roads | EIGHT CARS INVOLVED IN FREAK CHAIN ACCIDENT ON NEW YEARS EVE "Two youths sustained injuries, two cars were totally wrecked, and five others were damaged in a slam-bang accident near the Zondlo Ballroom shortly before the new year of 1962 began. ¶ Roy A. Kapfhamer, 19, of Portage, formerly of Rib Lake, the driver of the car which set off the chain of damage, was treated at the Rib Lake Clinic for severe abrasions of the face and bumps on the head, after the first impact stunned him temporarily. He later was taken to the Sacred Heart Hospital at Tomahawk and released Tuesday....¶ Tom Smith, County Traffic Officer, who was pursuing the fleeing Kapfhamer car when the accident occurred, gave the following details on the affair. Kapfhamer was driving his 1957 Chevrolet east on Highway 102 at a speed of nearly 100 miles, with the officer's squad in pursuit. George L. Albrecht had stopped his 1955 Packard at the entrance to Zondlo's Ballroom parking lot, waiting for another car to come out so he could enter. |
| 1/4/1962 (cont) | Roads (cont) | ¶ The front end of the Kapfhamer car struck the rear of the Albrecht car, shoving it into the parking lot, where it struck a parked car owned by Harold Fliehs, Whittlesey, and another owned by Jerry Heindl, Rib Lake. The Heindl car, in turn, struck another parked vehicle owned by George Zondlo, Route 1, and the Zondlo car was moved and hit another parked vehicle owned by Marlin Walbeck, Route 1. ¶ The Fliehs car, in the meantime, was propelled into another parked vehicle owned by Larry Judnic, Whittlesey, and the Judnic car slid sideways against the 8th vehicle, owned by Lawrence Schreiner, Route 1..." |

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| 1/11/1962 | Schools | SCHOOL STUDY SET "Questionnaires are to be circulated to Rib Lake High School graduates of the classes of 1956 through 1960 in a newly-inaugurated school program evaluation study. Lorne Pract of the faculty is the survey director, heading a committee which has drawn up the questions. ¶ The study, part of the in-service training program of the high school faculty, seeks to pinpoint the practicality and usefulness of high school courses when a graduate finds himself and his diploma flung into the "cold, cruel world" to seek a job to support him or herself. ¶ Relationship between high school curriculum as preparation for higher education, as well as job selection and job |
| 1/11/1962 | Businesses | CHICAGOANS SHUN METAL, FLOCKED, YULE TREES, SAYS COUSIN ADOLPH "The cartoon of a small boy with a large dog standing tearfully by as the trash collector heaved a barren Christmas tree onto his truck with a hardened remark: "All good things must come to an end," jogged our memory. ¶ Thus far this year we had forgotten to check up on Adolph Vlach's annual Christman tree junket to Chicago, his 28th year in this merry business. ¶ That jolly depression year of 1933 was the first time Vlach braved The Windy City, and he knows as much about the ups and downs of evergreen trees as any squirrel. ¶ Setting up shop at his same old stamping grounds on West 26th Street, he and his assistants, Brother Danny, here from California, and Ronnie Eisner, unloaded two big semi |
| 1/11/1962 (cont) | Businesses (cont) | ¶ This season was its usual sell-out, and, per usual, was pronounced as even a better year than last. (Editor's notes: And for the usual reason. At this stand, only the choicest trees were offered, and the customer gets "A fair shake.") ¶ Mid-week a blizzard hit Chicago, which is estimated to have cut downtown shopping in that city in half. People either couldn't or wouldn't fight their way to the heart of things. ¶ As to trend in Yuletide observance, Adolph says that he had maybe two calls for flocked trees, plus a couple of shamed-faced buyers who admitted they invested in aluminum trees last season and simply hated the darn things. "Back to nature," as first intended, was the prevailing sentiment. ¶ This year a neighboring department store that once set up a "come and get it" lot full of miserable |
| 1/11/1962 | Clubs/Orders | WINTER SPORTS FOR CLUBS "Members of the 4-H Clubs in this area are among those expected to participate in the second annual 4-H winter sports carnival, to be held Saturday, January 20, at the Perkinstown Sports Area. ¶ There will be individual and team or club competition of 5 events: the toboggan chute run, downhill ski and sled run, toboggan endurance contest, and snowshoe racing. Each club participating may submit their candidate for carnival snow queen, the girl representing the club winning the most points in the events, to receive the crown." |

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| 1/11/1962 | Agriculture | RAY TURBA'S HERD LEADS PRODUCTION "Dairymen of Taylor County find that 25-1 odds are in their favor by using dairy records. Dairy records help to get more milk for feed, selecting future herd, for free leaders, and make long-range plans, County Agent Joe Tuss reports. ¶ In Taylor County the top-producing herd on official test is that of Ray Turba, Route 1, Rib Lake. His holstein herd produced 14,700 pounds of milk per herd and 503 pounds of fat based on a rolling herd average of 365 days as reported in November. Turba's herd produced more than 600 pounds of fat a year ago. ¶ Other top herds on official test are Suter Brothers, Browning, with 13,283 pounds milk, 471 pounds fat....¶ Among the cows listed on the lactation honor roll of the testing association was Turba's 3-year-old Mona, which had a record of 12,778 pounds of milk and 522 pounds of fat to lead 3-year-olds. ¶ Interpreting the records, Tuss said that a 500-pound-fat cow returned \$300 above feed costs as compared to a yield of only \$65 above costs for a 200-pound-fat cow. The break-even point, considering feed, housing and taxes, is 300 pounds of milk per cow." |
| 1/11/1962 | Spirit | SPIRIT ROUND-UP! HEARD AROUND "By Ruby Zielke. Art Hermann, Rhinelander, and Bill and Bobby Hermann, were Wednesday visitors at the Fred Zielke home. On Saturday evening, Bill and Bob were supper guests here. They left for Des Plaines about 11:30 p.m. after 4 hard-fought games of pinochle. ¶ The Liberty Bell Homemakers will meet on Monday evening at the Fred Zielke home. Mrs. Albert Johnson and Mrs. Zielke attended leaders meeting on January 9 at the Mary Martin home in Ogema. ¶ The Spirit Local of the Farmers Union will meet at the Fred Zielke home on Tuesday evening for their January action meeting. The regular January meeting was at the town hall on Monday evening. ¶ Seen in Tomahawk on Thursday were Mrs. John Pakenham and Mrs. ¶ Thursday, January 11, at 10:30 a.m. is the last Book Mobile stop in Spirit. Anyone interested will be happy to know there will be a stop in Spirit Falls from now on. ¶ Mr. and Mrs. Fred Zielke are New Years dinner guests at the Roger Zielke home, Prentice. Miss Delores Zielke spent the day in Owen at the Jens Miller home. ¶ George Oman had a card party on Saturday evening for friends." |
| 1/11/1962 (cont) | Spirit (cont) | |
| 1/18/1962 | Obituary | HENRY MATHIAS, 84, PIONEER HOTEL MAN, BURIED ON MONDAY "Services were held at 10:00 a.m. Tuesday at the Taylor Funeral Home for Henry Mathias, 84, pioneer Rib Lake hotel man, who died Sunday at his home after a serious illness of two weeks...Pallbearers were Peter Beck, Joseph Pertmer, Albert Schreiner, Henry Rosenfeldt, Albert Goodman, and Walter L. Schneider. ¶ Mr. Mathias was born March 6, 1877, in Lerberg, Germany, and came to the United States with his parents when he was 6 years old. The family settled in Rib Lake, and at the age of 16 he started cooking in the lumber camps and in tent camps operated by the surveying crews operating in the area. ¶ He worked in camps in Perkinstown, Westboro, and Town of Greenwood, the latter camp being near where St. Peters Lutheran Church now stands on CTH C. ¶ Later he operated the large Rib Lake |

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| 1/18/1962 (cont) | Obituary (cont) | ¶ The hotel has since been converted into the Golden Age Nursing Home. ¶ He was married to Elizabeth Ehrenreich at Medford on Sept. 22, 1922. ¶ Surviving are the widow, 6 sons; Walter, Wauwatosa; Raymond, Santa Anna, California; Daniel, Madison; Henry John, Wauwatosa; Glen, Chicago; and William, Minneapolis; two daughters; Bernita, Mrs. Earl Edens, Tomahawk; and Hattie, Mrs. Elmer J. Taylor, Rib Lake...¶ Preceding him in |
| 2/8/1962 | Clubs/Orders | STEWART IS NAMED NEW PRESIDENT OF COMMERCIAL CLUB "Roy Stewart of Stewart Lumber and Fuel Company, was elected president of the Rib Lake Commercial Club at the monthly dinner meeting Tuesday evening at Harper Lake Resort. ¶ Stewart, who had served as vice president this year, succeeds Ernest Sunderlin. ¶ Ed Martin was named vice president and Jack Wolter was named secretary-treasurer, succeeding Conrad |
| 2/15/1962 | Obituary | JOE IMPACH, SR., BURIED MONDAY "Funeral services for Joseph Martin Imbach, 76, Town of Chelsea, were held Monday morning in Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church at Whittlesey. The Rev. Michael Spegele officiated, and burial was in the church cemetery. ¶ Mr. Imbach was born at Lucerne, Switzerland, on July 10, 1882. When he was an infant he came to this country with his mother, and settled on a homestead in the Town of |
| 2/15/1962 | Forest, School | WESTBORO SCHOOL FOREST DEVELOPED "The newly-acquired Westboro High School Forest Preserve got an unusual working over during last weekend's mild weather break. This 12-acre strip purchased from the county late last spring, stretches between the railroad track and the old Highway 13, 2 miles south of Westboro proper. ¶ Led by Lavern Sexe, High School Ag Teacher, and Emil Filasky, Jr., Medford, Taylor County Forester, a group from the ag class put in a day of timber stand improvement, clearing, and brushing. Workers were Pat Scott, student chairman for the upcoming project; Dan Kelly, junior chairman; Russell Behling, William Wacek, Larry Walters, and David Kestler. ¶ Spring planting, as soon as the weather gives the right nod, is first on the docket of proposed plans. The setting of boundary posts, erecting a marking sign, and building a turn-around road within the preserve |
| 3/15/1962 | Spirit Lake & Obituary | FRED LIETZ DIES, BURIED ON FRIDAY "Funeral services for Fred Lietz, 82, who died a week ago Wednesday at Sacred Heart Hospital, Tomahawk, were held last Friday afternoon at the Richford Lutheran Church, Richford. ¶ Mr. Lietz moved his family here from Richford in 1918, and they settled on a farm near Spirit Lake. He ran the Spirit Lake Hotel and tavern from 1936 until 1945, before he retired. He lived nearby. ¶ He was born Oct. 24, 1879, at Randolph, and was married to the former Ida Raatz at Richford June 8, 1904. ¶ Surviving are his wife, two sons; Albert and Steve, Fond du Lac; a daughter, Hazel, of Michigan, and two sisters..." |
| 3/15/1962 | Ole A. Peterson & Forest, County & Environment | OLE PETERSON GETS CHOICE LAND AFTER 40 YEARS OF DELAY "Ole Peterson of Phillips, a former Rib Lake lumber man, waited 40 years to log a 40-acre tract near Rib Lake, according to the Phillips Bee. ¶ Back in 1922, when Peterson was doing considerable logging in the area, there was one 40-acre tract east of the village which he tried to buy from the late Ernst Gerstberger. ¶ Peterson owned other timberland in the area, and reports that he cut all around the Gerstberger stand when unable to acquire it. ¶ Following Mr. Gerstberger's death, the tract of virgin timber was sold at auction and Peterson was the successful bidder. Last fall he started logging the tract, which he might have started 40 years earlier. ¶ The logs, which have been cut, have been of excellent quality, and the dispersal of the logs has been to many places. The elm logs filled a special order, which went to Germany; |

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| 3/15/1962 (cont) | Ole A. Peterson & Forest, County & Environment (cont) | ¶ A crew of 6 men has been working all winter on this 40 of land to harvest the timber there. There had been no previous cutting of logs on the 40." |
| 4/5/1962 | People | SHIRLEY MARTIN IS IN NATIONAL TOURNAMENT "Shirley Martin, daughter of Ed Martin, is playing coach of the Real Refrigeration Girls Basketball team of Milwaukee, which will be seeking the United States championship as representatives of Wisconsin at the National Womens Amateur Athletic Union Basketball tournament at St. Joseph, Missouri, this week. ¶ The team was the subject of an extensive feature article, with a photograph, in Milwaukee's Sunday Sentinel Sports Program. The Reals were to meet St. Joseph in the first round. Wayland College, Texas, which won the title 6 of the past 8 years, and Nashville, Tennessee, are favored to reach the finals. The Reals traveled some 5,000 miles and chalked a victory record of 17-7 during the regular season. Most of the members of the team are school athletic instructors in Milwaukee. ¶ Shirley is one of the outstanding girl athletes in the country, participating in basketball, baseball and field hockey, and is prominent in several organizations which govern women's activities." |
| 4/5/1962 | History - 4/5/1962 | "HOW-DE-DO IN 62" IS NAME SELECTED FOR AUGUST FESTIVAL "Selection of this brief, clever and interest-provoking name was announced this week by the general committee for the August 10-12 60-year celebration after a Sunday judging session of nearly 2 hours. ¶ The title chosen was submitted by Mrs. Bert Aitken, Medford, and she received a cash award and a year's subscription to the Rib Lake Herald." |
| 4/19/1962 | Rib Lake - Village & Environment | NEW DAM REMAINS IN FINE SHAPE "Weekend rumors of the new dam, cutting Sheep Ranch Creek off from Rib Lake, had been washed out, were greatly exaggerated, members of the Fish & Game dam committee reported Wednesday. ¶ High water, which ran over the new dam, as well as the old dam and dike, was responsible for the rumors. ¶ The committee said that high water was somewhat alleviated, for the time being, by opening the gate to the sluiceway on the original dam. ¶ The new dam settled some, it was admitted, but this had been expected. Basically it is still sound, and some additional fill or sand bagging, when weather permits, is expected to bring it back to its original level...¶ In the meantime, committee members, Frank Yanko, Ed Martin, Ed Thums and Barney |

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| 5/24/1962 | Rib Lake Herald | HERALD WINS THREE AWARDS IN ANNUAL NEWSPAPER CONTEST "The Rib Lake Herald won three awards in the annual Better Newspaper Contest conducted by the Wisconsin Press Association. ¶ An announcement of the third place award for advertising typographical excellence in the small paper class appears in the back of this issue...The Herald's second award was a third place for the best editorial in papers with less than 2000 circulation...¶ The final honor was an honorable mention in the general excellence division for the smaller papers. This judging was based on news content and scope, editorial rigor, the use of illustrative material, makeup and typography, advertisting, variety, and reproduction..." |
| 5/24/1962 | Fire | FRIENDS RALLY AFTER DISASTROUS FARM FIRE "Despite a flash fire which razed a large barn and resulted in the loss of 9 head of livestock, hay, grain, and farm machinery, the Norman Kutzkes were back in farming business today. ¶ The fire, ignited at about 8:30 a.m. Tuesday by a bolt of lightning, was out of control before the volunteer fire department truck arrived at the farm about 2 miles east of the village by Highway 102. ¶ Witnesses said that immediately after the bolt struck, the 100 x 36 foot barn seemed to "explode" into flame. The entire structure was ablaze by the time the firemen had made the comparatively short run to the scene, and they directed their efforts to saving the other buildings, including the farmhouse, which is about 100 feet from the barn. ¶ The barn was burned to the ground, and with it went 8 heifers and 1 cow, which had freshened the previous day. About 45 tons of hay and about 50 bushels of oats, and several pieces of farm equipment, including a combine, baler and mower. ¶ Fire Chief Ed Martin estimates the loss at about \$18,000, and it was only partially covered by insurance. |

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| 5/24/1962 (cont) | Fire (cont) | ¶ The neighbors and friends arrived at the scene before the flames were all extinguished. Supervised by Oscar Olson, as chief carpenter, and Johnny Dolezalek, electrician, they ripped the partitions out of the one-story building, installed stanchions, wired the building and set up the milking machines to handle 20 cows - all by night-fall. ¶ Neighbor-ladies helped too, assisted in providing lunch and refreshments for the volunteers. ¶ It was the second time that the Kutzke family realized that neighbors like theirs live only in northern Wisconsin. Several years ago neighbors and friends gave the family a lift with the farm work, when Mr. Kutzke was stricken with a sudden heart attack. He licked the heart trouble, and now is in good health." |
| 5/24/1962 | Education & People | THE NEED FOR TECHNICAL TRAINING [The following was a presentation made by Joe Knorn, Salutatorian, Rib Lake High School.] "What's it going to be after high school? College? Training School? Laborer? Part-time worker? Unemployed? The laborer and part-time worker are getting fewer, while the number of graduates going to college and vocational schools and the number of unemployed are increasing. ¶ The laborer and part-time worker have disappeared quite rapidly the last few years because of the new machinery and equipment that can do a quicker, more efficient job. Farming has felt the need for machinery more than any other profession. ¶ Since 1900, farm produce has been doubled three times, but the farm population has decreased about 40% of the total |
| 5/24/1962 (cont) | Education & People (cont) | ¶ The reason for this is farming is becoming more and more complicated. Before a young man goes into farming nowadays, he should take a course in agriculture at a state college to learn new methods of planting, animal husbandry, and management, to be able to compete with the lowering farm prices..." |

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| 6/7/1962 | Obituary | JOYCE KNOWER, PIONEER FAMILY MEMBER, BURIED "Services were held at the Taylor Funeral Home last Thursday afternoon for Miss Joyce Knower, 71, member of an early Rib Lake family, who died at the home of a cousin in California. ¶ Pallbearers were Otto Pries, Frank Steen, Guy Jensen, Ben Krause, Herbert Steinman and Joe Scheithauer. ¶ Miss Knower, a former school teacher, was born in the Town of Greenwood on April 4, 1891, the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. George Knower. Her father, at one time, owned the property on the east shore of Rib Lake now occupied by Tourist Park and the cemetery. ¶ He operated a general store and was postmaster at Interwald about 50 years ago, and for several years was a correspondent for the Rib Lake Herald from that community, combining his weekly news report, "Greenwood Leaves," with occasional bits of humor and home-spun philosophy. ¶ Her home was to the north of CTH M near the Rib River bridge, on the Whittlesey Star Route..." |
| 6/21/1962 | J.J. Kennedy & family | MISS KENNEDY, EARLY RESIDENT, FOUND DEAD "Funeral services will be held at 1:30 p.m. Monday in the Methodist Church for Miss Anna Mae Kennedy, 75, member of an early Rib Lake family, and niece of its founder, who was found dead in her home on Church Street last Monday. ¶ She was on a couch and had died during the night from natural causes. ¶ Miss Kennedy had been in failing health, although she had continued her work as a registered pharmacist at the Upjohn Drug Store, having worked on Sunday, the day before her death. She was one of the first women in the state to follow that profession, having been graduated at Marquette University in Milwaukee. ¶ She was the daughter of the late Hugh and Catherine Ferguson Kennedy, who came to Rib Lake shortly after his brother, John J. Kennedy, came here to establish the lumber mill in the early 1880's. ¶ After |
| 6/21/1962 (cont) | j.J. Kennedy & family (cont) | ¶ Her high school graduating class was one of the early ones here, and included Herbert Curran, and Mrs. Dio Walty, still living here, and the late Mrs. Fred Niggemann. ¶ She was a member of the Methodist Church, she lived with her mother until her death in 1937, and then lived alone. She had a deep interest in the history of the community, of which she was considered an authority, and had collected a large assortment of photographs of early Rib Lake. ¶ A brother, Stuart, died in 1917, and another brother, Harold, who for many years operated a wheat ranch near Frontier, Saskatchewan, Canada, which his father had homesteaded, died last October. ¶ Thus, the only survivor is Mrs. Bessie Kennedy, her sister-in-law, who is in route from Frontier to attend the funeral, and a cousin, Bert Kennedy, Portland, Oregon, son of J.J. Kennedy, who will be unable to attend because of advanced age and ill health. ¶ Burial will be in the family plot at Lakeview Cemetery." |

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| 7/5/1962 | Businesses | DEVELOPMENT BODY BEING ORGANIZED TO SEEK NEW INDUSTRY "Plans for organization of a local development corporation to seek to attract industry to the community were outlined to members of the Commercial Club Tuesday evening at the monthly dinner meeting in the Little Bohemia Cafe. ¶ Reuben Krings, chairman of the committee in charge, announced that the incorporation meeting would be held at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, July 30, in the village hall, with all interested individuals invited to attend. ¶ Krings said that a minimum of 50 shares at a cost of \$10 a share will have to be sold. The corporation will be non-profit, and it is thought possible that a balance of several hundred dollars in funds held by a similar promotional committee several years ago, can be invested with the new group. The new organization will be known as the Rib Lake Development Foundation, Inc...." |
| 7/5/1962 | Businesses | BECKER'S TAVERN SOLD "Transfer of the Frank Becker tavern on Main Street [McComb Ave.] to a corporation headed by Louis J. Trojniar, Chicago, became effective on Sunday. ¶ The sale includes the building, which also houses the post office, and a second-story apartment, now occupied by the Marvin Taubers. ¶ The Trojniar family will be here within a short time, and will occupy the apartment. Mrs. Trojniar is the former Marcella Haider, daughter of the George Haiders, Town of Greenwood, and a sister of Mrs. Tauber. ¶ Mr. and Mrs. Becker, who are retiring from active business, have operated the tavern at the location for the past 28 years, having started it in 1934 after they previously had operated a general store at the site of what is now Menning's Barber Shop, for about 11 |
| 7/12/1962 | People | CURTIS C. LORD, EARLY FIGURE IN LUMBERING, DIES "Services were held at the Taylor Funeral Home at 4:00 p.m. Sunday for Curtis Charles Lord, 78, a long-time resident of the community, and former village clerk-treasurer, who died last Thursday at St. Joseph's Hospital in Marshfield. ¶ The Rev. Fred W. Kolath of Medford officiated at the service here and the body was taken to Rhinelander, where it was in state Monday at the Carlson Funeral Home. Committal services were held there on Tuesday. ¶ He was born in Williamsport, Pennsylvania, on January 1, 1884, the son of Mr. and Mrs. James Lord, and came to Wisconsin when he was 18 years old, with a relative. His first employment was with the Westboro Lumber Company. He went to Antigo about the time of the first World War, and for many years was employed there and at Rhinelander as an accountant for the Thunder Lake Lumber Company. |
| 7/12/1962 (cont) | People (cont) | ¶ He came to Rib Lake to work as an accountant for the RLLC in 1936, and remained in that capacity until the company ceased operations in 1948. He worked for about a year for a lumber company in Durango, Colorado, and then returned to Rib Lake. In addition to serving the village, he later operated a tax return and bookkeeping service here, and was the local collection agent for the Lake Superior District Power Company and the Rib Lake Telephone Company. He had an office on Main Street [McComb Ave.], across from the drug store. ¶ He was active in the Methodist Church and in the Masonic Lodge. ¶ He was married to Anna May Bidwell, and after her death in 1944, was married to Miss Minnie Fredrickson, at Ironwood, Michigan, on June 11, 1950. ¶ Surviving are the widow, |

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| 8/2/1962 | Law | TRIO IS CHARGED "Peter Derlein, proprietor of a tavern on Highway 13 in the Town of Westboro, pleaded not guilty in county court at Medford Monday to a charge of being a keeper of a house of prostitution. He was released on a \$1,000 bond. Mrs. Mary Delene pleaded not guilty to a charge of being an inmate of a house of prostitution and was released on a bond of \$100. ¶ Rose Martin pleaded not guilty to being a procurer and was released on a \$500 bond. ¶ A preliminary hearing for the three persons has been set for August 20. The arrests were made by a state tax beverage agent." |
| 8/2/1962 | Utilities & Rib Lake - Village | VILLAGE TRUSTEES OKAY PLAN FOR SEWAGE PLANT "Meeting of a lengthy special session on Monday evening of this week, the village board gave the final approval, by a 3-2 vote, to proceeding with plans for construction of a sewage disposal plant.¶ Trustees opposing the approval claimed they had been led to believe a plant large enough to accommodate the village could be built for around \$80,000. ¶ The plant calls for expenditures of \$98,730 for actual construction, and the remainder is in fees and miscellaneous expenses. Engineers estimate that a 30% federal grant will be some \$36,500. ¶ A motion by Barney Cihasky to proceed with the application on the basis of the engineer's estimate was lost for want of a second. After further discussion, Trustee Don Meyer made the motion to proceed, and Cihasky seconded it. Trustees Meyer, Cihasky and Emil Miller, Sr., voted affirmatively; Trustees John Schreiner and Wayne Bullis voted against it. Trustee Ray Becker was absent due to illness." |
| 8/2/1962 | Spirit Lake & Businesses | ADVERTISEMENT "Since the turn of the century, the building known as the Spirit Lake Hotel has been a pleasant stopping place for the Rib Lake community. It's under new management now, but the old-time hospitality is still there. Come out and see us during the "How-de-do" day, Spirit Lake Tavern, signed Mr. and Mrs. Don Coleman." |
| 8/9/1962 | Rib Lake - Village & Politics | GOVERNOR SAYS HOWDY [Letter addressed to Eugene R. Clifford, editor-publisher of the Rib Lake Herald] "Dear Mr. Clifford, please extend my personal greetings to the residents of Rib Lake on the occasion of their "How-de-do in '62" homecoming and festival. The 60th anniversary of the incorporation of the Village of Rib Lake undoubtedly will be a happy and auspicious event. I feel certain that the marking of this important moment of history will serve to inspire Rib Lake residents to a productive civic future. Sincerely yours, Gaylord A. Nelson, Governor - State of Wisconsin." |
| 8/16/1962 | Physician | DR. SIGFRIED F. HESSE, BUYS PETTERA'S PRACTICE "Sale of the medical practice of Dr. Robert L. Pettera to Dr. S.F. Hesse was completed this week. ¶ Dr. Hesse has leased the equipment of Dr. Pettera in the clinic building, and will use for the coming year while Dr. Pettera remains on military duty. ¶ He will transfer his own equipment here from Iowa a year from this fall when Dr. Pettera will be released from the service and will enter practice elsewhere. ¶ Dr. Hesse replaced Dr. Pettera when the latter was called into active duty with the 32nd Division of the National Guard last fall, and will be the community's permanent physician, due to Dr. Pettera's |

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| 8/16/1962 | Rib Lake - Village | HOW-DE-DO CELEBRATION AND PARADE "A crowd reliably estimated between 6,000-7,000 crowded into a clouding and chilly Rib Lake last Sunday afternoon and viewed a gorgeous parade, where the length and magnificence of which thrilled area residents and visitors alike. ¶ There were some 115 different entries in line to march, and although, it was well organized and directed, it took more than an hour to pass the viewing stand in front of the Village Hall. ¶ The estimate of the crowd was made by the boss of the carnival outfit, and he is experienced in estimating crowds. It appeared to be about the same size, or possibly slightly larger, as the crowd which viewed the Golden Jubilee 10 years ago. Everyone agreed that the event was a promotional and artistic success - a shot in the arm for a community that needed it badly. There was more free entertainment than the event of 10 years ago - more attractions, more to eat, more to drink, more historical pictures, more old friends to greet, more of everything." |
| 8/16/1962 | History - 8/16/1962 & Schools | HISTORICAL SKETCH OF THE RIB LAKE SCHOOL SYSTEM BY EMMA HEANY "The first school in Rib Lake was a private school with an attendance of three people taught by Mrs. S. Hagen, in J.J. Kennedy's boarding house, for three months, beginning in January, 1892. ¶ The first public school was begun in December of the same year, taught by Miss Addie Christy, now Mrs. Dean McClennan, in a small tenant house built of rough lumber and located where the home of B.J. Landall now stands. The building served a double purpose, that of a tenant house in the summer, and the school house in the winter, while the occupants were in camp. ¶ This first school, in our now-thriving village, started with 20 pupils, some of whom were 10 years old and could not write at all. However, they were old enough to grasp the work rapidly and are now accomplished young ladies. ¶ The teachers today would think they were terribly abused as they were called upon to endure the hardships and inconveniences as experienced by the teachers of those days. |
| 8/16/1962 (cont) | History - 8/16/1962 & Schools (cont) | There were wood benches for desks, and dull blackboards, and teachers who dipped their drinking water in the lake. The teachers climbed over logs with their kindling wood under her arm to get to the cold school house. At the close of the afternoon, she and the pupils would dig wood out the snow, carry it in, and split it for use the next morning. ¶ The next term of school was taught by Miss Agnes Farrell in the house now occupied by Mr. Ross, which then stood just north of Mrs. George Clark's place. It was then known as Mr. Fuller's house. This was some improvement over the first building, but contained the same furniture. ¶ Up to this time, no school district had been formed, and the school was maintained by private contributions, principally by J.J. Kennedy. ¶ The numbers of pupils increased so rapidly that it was found practical to organize a school district, though the school house was fitted with modern furniture, so the building now occupied by R. Manderville was erected in 1883. The school attendance still continued to increase, and soon the building, as originally built, was too |

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| 8/16/1962 (cont) | History - 8/16/1962 & Schools (cont) | small, and an addition became necessary. The teachers up to this time, 1982, were Mrs. Isabella Strong, Maggie Clark, Ruth Andrews, Alice Campbell, Dora Bartin, Cora McCarty, Mssrs. George Carley, E.G. Getchel, William Finnegan, and E. Beardsbor. ¶ In this year the school was divided into departments, Miss Dana Thomas being a first primary teacher; the primary department was held in the house now occupied by Peter Carstens. In 1894, the people of the district decided to advance their school interest still another step, and in that year the new school house was erected. This structure is a 2-story building containing 4 well-lighted, well-arranged and well-furnished rooms, besides a recitation room, and ample cloak room and halls. [this is an apparent reference to the former Ward School.] ¶ The first corps of teachers in the new building was Arthur Latton, principal; Miss Ann Rick, intermediate; Miss Mattie Warren, primary. The second year Miss Nina Johnson succeeded Miss Rick, and Miss Tina Kennedy filled the vacancy caused by the resignation of Miss Warren. |
| 8/16/1962 (cont) | History - 8/16/1962 & Schools (cont) | ¶ In 1896, John T. Bushey became principal and was assisted by Miss Clara Eckard, intermediate, and Miss Myra Gardiner, primary. ¶ In 1897, the same corps of teachers were engaged, but on account of a large increase in the schools, it was found necessary to form another department, so Miss Elizabeth Gardiner was chosen to begin work in December, at the same time Miss Eckard resigned to accept a better position and Miss Ethel Lee was selected by the school board to take her place. ¶ The enrollment when the building was first used was 117, it is now June, 1898, 197. ¶ In 1896, the school course consisted of what is outlined by the state superintendent for district schools. Since then several branches have been added, until now we are doing more than first year high school work. ¶ Our graduates are required to hold a teacher's county certificate. The new course of study has been prepared by the principal, and will go into effect in September..." |
| 8/16/1962 | Rib Lake - Village | SINCERE THANKS [Advertisement reads] "Members of the general committee in charge of the successful "How-de-do in '62" celebration are indeed grateful for the service of many individuals who contributed to its successes. ¶ There were, of course, members of the volunteer fire department and the commercial club, who were expected to respond, and there were many good citizens and former residents - members of neither organization who pitched in and did more to help than rightly could be expected of them. ¶ Those who bought and sold booster buttons, hats and bonnets; those who entered floats; the Amercian Federation of Musicians; those businesses to make the original contributions of money, which got the affair "on the road"; the organizations which conducted concessions, the queen contest candidates, those who appeared in costume, conducted the stands, the hospitality center, and the other centers which helped to contribute to the enjoyment of the public in general; participants in the home talent show; the village board, for its understanding |

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| 8/16/1962 (cont) | Rib Lake - Village (cont) | and assistance on many problems, individuals homeowners and businessmen who painted, repaired or cleaned up the respective properties; the neighboring communities, which sent floats and representatives; the thousands who attended personally - all and many others deserve a part of the credit for "How-de-do's" success. ¶ Everyone will remember it for years, and our gratitude will last forever. Signed Edwin Martin, Chief, Rib Lake Volunteer Fire Department, Roy Stewart, President, Rib Lake Commercial Club." |
| 9/13/1962 | Obituary | PHILLIP BONDE, 82, BURIED THIS WEEK "Phillip Bonde, 82, resident of the Rib Lake rural area for nearly 60 years, died Monday evening at the Sacred Heart Hospital. ¶ Mr. Bonde was born at Manitowoc on Dec. 1, 1979, and came to the Rib Lake area in 1903, to work at the sawmill, where he was a filer. He was also an operator of an early threshing rig, and at one time had a dance and picnic pavilion at his farm on Highway 102 northeast of the village. He had also operated a custom saw rig. ¶ He was married to Miss Elizabeth Stirn Oct. 7, 1907, and they celebrated their golden wedding anniversary in 1957. ¶ Surviving are the widow; 4 daughters; Catherine, Mrs. Peter B. Kauer, Rib Lake; Isabel, Mrs. Anton J. Kauer, Rib Lake; Marie, Mrs. Mike Eichhorn, Daggett, Michigan; Agnes Bonde, at home; 3 sons; John Bonde, at home; Andrew Bonde, Brookings, Oregon, and Isadore Bonde, Route 1..." |
| 9/20/1962 | Businesses | GAMBLE STORE CHANGES HANDS "A change in ownership of the local Gamble Store was announced this week. Under the new setup, Duane Warner becomes the sole owner of the local establishment, and his former partner, Jack Budimlija, has taken over a Gamble Store in Augusta in Eau Claire County. ¶ The two men, who are brothers-in-law (Mrs. Budimlija is Warner's sister), bought the local store from Ed Prien about 5 years ago, and had been progressing in the hardware trade... |
| 10/11/1962 | Businesses | JIM'S TAVERN SOLD "The sale of Jim's Bar by James Schabel to Mr. and Mrs. Albert O. Ward of Boscobel was announced this week. The sale will become effective Monday, May 11, when the Wards will take over management of the establishment, which is located in the New Lake Theatre building...." |
| 10/18/1962 | Obituary & Rib Lake Herald | HERALD CO-EDITOR LILLIAN P. CLIFFORD, DIES SUDDENLY SUNDAY A.M. "Private services were held yesterday, Wednesday, at Flanner & Buchanan Mortuary at Indianapolis, Indiana, for Lillian P. Clifford, 52, co-editor of the Rib Lake Herald, who died Sunday morning at an Oshkosh hospital. ¶ Burial took place in Crown Hill Cemetery, Indianapolis. ¶ Mrs. Clifford was well-known in newspaper circles for this column, "Sunny Side of the Street," which was widely quoted and which won two first-place ratings in state newspaper contests. The column placed first in 1952, and again in 1957 among local personal columns appearing in Wisconsin weekly newspapers. It won three lesser awards in other years from the Wisconsin Press Association annual better newspaper competition. |

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| 10/18/1962 (cont) | Obituary & Rib Lake Herald (cont) | ¶ Lillian Pierson Clifford was born Jan. 7, 1910, in Indianapolis, the daughter of Chirom C. and Lillian Pierson. She received a degree in high school education in Indianapolis, and was graduated from Butler University with a major in journalism, in the spring of 1931, shortly before her marriage to Eugene R. Clifford, Rib Lake Herald publisher and editor. ¶ The couple lived in Indianapolis until 1935, when they moved to Fond du Lac, where they lived for 14 years. The Cliffords came to Rib Lake in 1949, taking over the publication of this community paper on April 1. ¶ Her husband and mother are Mrs. Clifford's only survivors." |
| 11/1/1962 | Politics | CONGRESSMAN IS SUED FOR HALF MILLION FOR "SLANDEROUS" ADS "Thanks to the half-million-dollar libel suit filed by his Democratic opponent, J. Louis Hanson, Mellen, Congressman Alvin O'Konski this week ordered retraction of a political ad published last week by his backers in the Rib Lake Herald and other weekly and daily newspapers in the 10th Congressional District. ¶ The retraction advertisement, along with a small disavowal of the material in the original advertisement by the Congressman, may be found elsewhere in this issue..." |
| 11/8/1962 | Forests, Wood | POPULUS GRANDIDENTATA "This is the big-tooth aspen, or popple tree, on the Chuck Scharer property on South Harper Lake, which recently was recognized by the State Conservation Department as a record tree of its species in the state. ¶ Scharer is standing to the left of the tree, and on the other side is The Editor, who had to ham it up and get into the act. ¶ Scharer has known that the tree was possibly a record one for several years, and several months ago suggested that Mike Hales, a neighbor boy, son of Richard Hales, report it to the state. ¶ Mike sent in some preliminary figures, based on his own measurements of the tree, and the state asked for additional information, including a leaf so that the species could be identified positively. ¶ Being unable to shinny up the tree because of its size, young Hales used his rifle to bring down a branch to get a twig leaf. |

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| 11/8/1962 (cont) | Forests, Wood (cont) | ¶ Emil Falasky, Jr., Department Forest Ranger at Medford, made the official measurement and found the tree to have a 7-foot, 5-1/2" circumference at 4-1/2 feet from the ground, a height of 81 feet, and a crown spread of 42 feet. The former record big-tooth aspen tree is located in Crawford County. ¶ The biggest tree of the species (populus grandidentata is the latin name for it) in the nation is located in the State of Maryland. It measured nearly 10 feet in circumference, with a height of 90 feet, and 275 foot crown-spread. ¶ Scharer believes the tree is possibly more than 50-years-old, which is a long life for a popple. He was informed that a fire raged through the property, then owned by his father, Louis, and destroyed all its growing timber, just 56 years ago." |
| 11/8/1962 | Businesses | TAVERN IS SOLD "Sale of the 102 Tavern on old Highway 102 southwest of the village to Robert Lange, Chippewa Falls, was announced this week by Adolph Vlach. ¶ Lange, a native of Whittlesey, will take over Dec. 1. ¶ Cousin Adolph, who has operated the tavern for the past 16 years, growing Christmas trees on his nearby farm, is expecting to harvest 1000 or more of his own plantation next year. He conducts a Christmas tree mart on Chicago's south side each December. ¶ The new owner, his wife and two sons, expect to live temporarily in the rooms |
| 11/15/1962 | Obituary | RALPH SEVERSON DIES "Funeral services were held at 2:00 p.m. today in the Lutheran Church in the Town of Knox for Ralph F. Severson, 55, who died at his home in the Town of Knox early Monday afternoon. ¶ The Rev. E.A. Baalson, Park Falls, officiated, and burial was in the Spirit Hillcrest Cemetery. ¶ Mr. Severson was born Nov. 7, 1907, in Winthrop, Minnesota, and was married to Mathilda Kirschbaum there on Nov. 14, 1930. They lived in the Spirit and Knox area for the past 31 years. ¶ Surviving are the widow, 3 sons; James, Milwaukee; Roger, Brantwood; and Steven, at home; a brother, Gilbert Severson, Town of Knox; and 6 grandchildren." |
| 11/15/1962 | Hunting | RUN FOR YOUR LIVES! THE RED COATS ARE COMING! "Deer numbers in most of the state are at a high level, and if the weathermen cooperate, Wisconsin's 300,000 big-game hunters can look forward to a successful season during the 9-day period from Nov. 17-25, the Wisconsin Conservation Department reports. ¶ Hunting will be restricted to bucks with a 3" spike or larger, over most of the state's 29,000 square miles of deer range, bordering the Mississippi River and Apostle Islands, except Madeline, those in southern Wisconsin where deer of either sex can be taken the first two days, Nov. 17 and 18....¶ Surveys showed the overall deer population in the state to be in excess of 400,000 animals, with heaviest concentrations in northwest and west-central Wisconsin. ¶ Hunters looking for top-quality sport with lots of deer and lots of elbow room are urged to consider the northwestern part of |

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| 11/15/1962 (cont) | Hunting (cont) | ¶ Bowhunting is permitted during the 9-day period, but archers must abide by deer season regulations. ¶ Last year Wisconsin hunters took 38,772 deer during the 9-day buck season. Under a recently adopted forest-deer policy, with an action program which starts in 1963 when the new variable quota law becomes effective, conservation commissioners anticipate a regular animal kill of 60,000-100,000 animals. The policy calls for a 14% increase in the winter deer herd, and specific populations goals for each of the state's 77 management units. The new law will allow groups of 4 or more hunters to take a deer of either sex in specified groups of management units as a means of stabilizing deer populations. Public meetings on the new plan are now being held throughout the state." |
| 12/6/1962 | Businesses | WE DO CUSTOM MEAT CUTTING [Paid Advertisement] "Smoking and curing - we have installed a large Sharp-freeze and can now freeze your meat to 20 below. We will buy beef quarters, or any edible part of beef or veal you do not want, and pay market price. We will sell you beef quarters or halves, or halves of pork or other wholesale cuts at cost, plus processing charge. Place your order now for meat to fill your freezer. Bogumil Lockers, Rib Lake, Wis." |
| 12/13/1962 | Rib Lake Herald | DOWN THE ROAD [A column written by Editor Gene Clifford] "The Rib Lake Herald of Dec. 13, 1912, relates an account of a funeral, just about ended, and the pastor, rather than making his usual announcement that "we will now have a last opportunity to view the remains" changed it to "we will now have an opportunity to pass around the Bier." ¶ Several elderly mourners in the rear of the church bravely wiped away their tears and expectantly waited for developments." |
| 12/20/1962 | Obituary | MRS. MARY SCHINKER, 89, EARLY RESIDENT, BURIED WEDNESDAY "Funeral services were held yesterday morning at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church for Mrs. Mary Schninker, 89, a resident of the community for 65 years, who died Sunday at the Golden Age Nursing Home. ¶ The Rev. Werner H. Hemmelgarn, C.PP.S., officiated, and burial was in the Lakeview Cemetery. ¶ The former Mary Nickcoli was born in Luxemburg Feb. 14, 1873, and came by herself to the United States at the age of 12, to live with an aunt and uncle in Aurora, Illinois. In 1894, she moved to Chicago, and in 1897 was married to Michael Schinker. They came to this area then and settled on the family farm on Highway C. Her husband died Sept. 10, 1909. ¶ Surviving are three sons, Martin |
| 12/20/1962 | Post Office | POSTAGE IS GOING UP "A 1 cent increase in the first class and airmail postal rates will go into effect January 7, according to the post office department. ¶ The postal rate increase was ordered by Congress. ¶ The increase raises postage on first class letters to 5 cents an ounce, and airmail letters to 8 cents an ounce. A postcard will cost 4 cents instead of 3, and an airmail card 6 cents instead of 5." |
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| 1/3/1963 | Utility | COMPANY GETS LOAN! "Senator William Proxmire announced at Washington Wednesday approval of a \$64,000 federal rural electrification administration loan to the Rib Lake Telephone Company. The sum will be used to extend the company's service to 46 subscribers in Taylor and Price Counties, principally, in the Mondeaux area, John Eckhoff of the company said, when informed that the loan had been approved. His brother, Edward P. Eckhoff, known more familiarly as "Pete," is president of the company." |
| 1/3/1963 | Politics | CHELSEA "County clerk Heddy Ruesch, who thought he'd seen everything, got the shock of his life last week when he opened a missive addressed to "Clerk of the Town of Chelsea, Taylor County, Wisconsin," postmarked from Chelsea, England, and was nothing less than a cordial invitation to the approaching coronation of their queen." |
| 1/10/1963 | Clubs/Orders & Agriculture | BUSINESS GROUP MAY HELP REOPEN SHOW "Although a definite detailed decision was not reached, members of the Rib Lake Commercial Club indicated they will aid in an effort to reopen the New Lake Theatre, at least one night a week, at their monthly dinner meeting in the Little Bohemia Cafe on Tuesday evening. ¶ President Roy Stewart appointed Verl Bokath as chairman of the committee, members of which are to be selected by Bokath, to stage a benefit dance in the near future. ¶ Proceeds will be used to assist the theatre operators in heating the building during the remainder of the winter months, if such a course of action seems feasible after further study. ¶ After another discussion, the club voted to drop sponsorship of the annual Farmers Institute this year. Attendance has been falling off steadily, and most of those who attend seem more interested in the free lunch and door prizes than in the educational aspects of the meeting, it was pointed out. It also requires closing the high school for a day. |

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| 1/10/1963 (cont) | Clubs/Orders & Agriculture (cont) | ¶ The trend is the same as elsewhere. Farmers have ample opportunity with the broadened field of communication (newspapers, magazines, radio, and television), to learn the latest wrinkles in agriculture at home, it was said. ¶ The event, furthermore, doesn't have the social significance that it did in the early days when transportation was limited and visiting between neighbors was an occasion.." |
| 1/17/1963 | Obituary | LLOYD KETTLESON, EX-MILL WORKER, EXPIRED MONDAY "Lloyd Kettleson, 72, a widely-known resident of the community for more than 30 years, died suddenly Monday morning at Appleton, where he and Mrs. Kettleson were visiting relatives. ¶ Funeral services were to be held today at 10:00 a.m. from the Taylor-Mannel Funeral Home, and at 10:30 a.m. at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, the Rev. Werner Hemmelgarn officiating. Burial will be in the Lakeview Cemetery. ¶ Mr. Kettleson was born at Manawa on April 23, 1890, and was married to Agnes Ruddy at Chetek on July 2, 1919. They came to Rib Lake in 1932, and he was employed by the lumber |
| 2/7/1963 | Law | SUSPECT ARRESTED IN BLUE ROYAL HOLDUP "An armed robber whose perfect execution of a holdup at the Blue Royal Monday night was not matched by a proper timing on his escape, was being held at the county jail at Medford. ¶ Gordon Knight, 30, a Colby resident, was apprehended at about 4-1/2 hours after he took \$36 from the cash register at the tavern located about 5 miles west of Rib Lake at the intersection of STH 102 and 13. ¶ Knight denied the charge, even after he had been identified by the holdup victims, but on Tuesday morning made a statement to District Attorney Corliss V. Jensen and Sheriff Marlin Curran, admitting that he had staged the holdup. ¶ It was the first holdup in the local tavern since April 15, 1952, when two young men, who had been drinking beer there, confronted Joe Vlach, the bartender at the 102 Tavern southwest of the village, with a gun and escaped with about \$110. |
| 2/7/1963 (cont) | Law (cont) | ¶ Arnold Krueger, the proprietor of the Blue Royal, and his father-in-law, John Carlson, who lives with them, were in the establishment alone at about 7:30 p.m. when the robber, carrying a 12-gauge shotgun, and wearing a hooded parka over his head, entered through the front door. He pointed the gun at the cash register saying nothing, and Krueger admitted that he got the idea in a hurry. ¶ "He stepped from behind the bar and told the intruder to "go help yourself, it's open." The young man, keeping the weapon trained on his victims, made a grab at the open cash register drawer and took a wad of currency totaling \$36...¶ He then backed out of the tavern, jumped into his car, which he parked at the south of the building, and drove south on Highway 13 with the lights extinguished. He turned them on when he got down the road a short distance, allowing Krueger and Carlson to get a fair look at the vehicle. |

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| 2/7/1963 (cont) | Law (cont) | ¶ Notified of the holdup by telephone, Sheriff Curran ordered an immediate blockage of roads and hurried to the tavern, where he took the description of the vehicle and other details. Then he and under-sheriff Don Underwood started a systematic check of the area in the Medford vicinity and towards the south. ¶ The sheriff's car was parked in Abbotsford and the county officers were conferring with a Clark County officer when a car which answered the description went by. They lost it, but in checking several taverns in the area, came across the vehicle parked in front of the Casa Grande, a night club a short distance west of Highway 13 north of Abbotsford. ¶ The officers searched the unattended vehicle, finding the shotgun between the seats and a parka jacket which fitted the |
| 2/14/1963 | Obituary | FUNERAL SERVICE HELD SATURDAY FOR F.L. BECKER "Services were held from the Taylor-Mannel Funeral Home at 9:30 last Saturday and at St. John the Baptist Church for Frank L. Becker, 65, a widely-known resident of the community, who died last Wednesday afternoon in route to the Medford Hospital after a long illness. ¶ The Rev. Werner Hemmelgarn, pastor, officiated, and burial was in the Lakeview Cemetery. Pallbearers were George Tlusty, August Krueger, Francis P. Schaack, Donald Meyer, Elmer Radtke, and Elwood Bleck. ¶ Mr. Becker was born in Chicago and went to Milladore area when a boy, when his family settled on a farm in that vicinity. He later worked in a store there, and in 1918, went to Prentice to manage a farmer's store, and came here, also as manager of the farmer's store, in 1921. He later bought and operated the store, on the present site of the |
| 2/14/1963 (cont) | Obituary (cont) | ¶ He had been village clerk for more than 21 years, retiring about 10 years ago, had served as president and secretary of the Commercial Club, was active in the Fish & Game Association, and had been secretary for a number of years of the county tavern league. He also played in the old village band, had been active in other civic and church organizations. He was an enthusiastic hunter and fisherman until he became ill more than a year ago. ¶ He was married to Celia Shannock at Junction City in 1917. ¶ Surviving are the widow; two daughters, Lucille, Mrs. |
| 2/14/1963 | Schools | NEW HIGH SCHOOL IS PROPOSED "The Board of Education and the building committee of Joint School District 1, Rib Lake, at their meeting on February 7, reaffirmed an earlier decision to proceed with plans for a new high school facility for the district...." |
| 2/21/1963 | History - 2/21/1963 | OLD-TIMER RECALLS RIB LAKE BOYHOOD "If you're interested in the history of Rib Lake, you will appreciate reading a letter received from Lee McMillan, Escanaba, Michigan, a member of an early Rib Lake family. ¶ Accompanying the letter was what we consider to be the most valuable and treasured souvenir - a copy of the May 27, 1898, issue of the Herald - a paper published less than 6 months after the Herald was established in December, 1897. It is number 25, Volume 1. ¶ This issue is especially appreciated as we have no files of the newspaper until 1902....¶ Mr. McMillan wrote: "You will note the paper is marked "William Pope" in pencil at the top, he writes. He was my grandfather and ran a livery stable, which was located where the library is now located, and later on...the Rib Lake Herald was located in that building. The telephone office was located upstairs in my grandfather's house, located on the corner just west of the livery stable...¶ Fayette Shaw was advertising - "he wants 200 bark savages to peel bark in the vicinity of Mellen this summer.'" |

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| 2/28/1963 | Businesses | LAKELAND SHOES INVESTORS TO GET PAYMENT SOON "Shareholders of Lakeland Shoes, Inc., have been notified that they will receive approximately \$9.25 for each \$10 share of stock when the corporation is dissolved at the final meeting set for March 14. ¶ A letter accompanying the formal notice of dissolution meeting mailed to all shareholders by Clifford Curran, Medford, secretary, reports a total of \$24,759.42 has been collected by the corporation since it was formed in 1948. ¶ Expenses which will be paid before the stockholders are reimbursed, are income tax estimated to be about \$1,000, and legal, accounting and postage, estimated at \$529....¶ The letter pointed out that dissolution of the corporation is possible at this time because the village completed payment of its note a year ahead of time. ¶ The corporation originally owned the building occupied by the Gem Products Shoe |
| 2/28/1963 | Schools | TRI-COUNTY DISTRICT WOULD BE ROUGH ON RIB LAKE TAXPAYERS "The Board of Education of the Rib Lake School District and Robert C. Becker, District Administrator, attended a meeting at Ogema in a series of meetings called by the Joint Action of the Taylor-Price and Lincoln County School Committee. ¶ The original meeting of the three-county school committees, school boards of Prentice, Tripoli, Westboro and Rib Lake School Systems, and the school district administrators, were held last spring at the request of some electors to make a study of the area for possible reorganization..¶ Local opinion gathered from the meeting is that the area is geographically most difficult for merging purposes, as it now exists, and would be a drawback. In addition to equalizing of the tax load for the operation of the proposed district of this sort would put the greatest burden on the taxpayers of the local |
| 2/28/1963 (cont) | Schools (cont) | ¶ The present tax rate, proposed tax rate, and change in each distrct is as follows: ¶ Prentice district, 20.18 mils; 19.2 mils; minus .56 mils. ¶ Tripoli district, 20.50 mils; 19.52 mils; minus .98 mils. ¶ Westboro district, 19.47 mils, 19.52 mils; plus .05 mils. ¶ Rib Lake district, 12.29 mils; 19.52 mils; plus 7.32 mils..." |
| 3/14/1963 | Health | SABIN ORAL POLIO SHOTS "Three clinics for the dispensing of Sabin oral polio vaccine have been set up for Rib Lake under the county program sponsored by county physicians and the county health committee. ¶ The clinics will be held at the Clearview School on Sunday, March 24, April 24, and June 2. The progressive cycles of the new oral vaccine, given on lumps of sugar, will be dispensed on the three Sundays. ¶ There is a charge of 25 cents for each treatment to help bear the costs, but any person who cannot afford the charge is asked to report, as the goal is to innoculate the entire area. No individual who wants the vaccine will be turned down." |
| 3/21/1963 | Agriculture & Spirit | FARMERS UNION WILL ADVERTISE "Jimmy Miller, Larry Hass, and Ronnie Hughes sang and played guitar for the Spirit Farmers Union March 12. Carl Rhody reported on the state convention. ¶ Ralph Olson made a motion to advertise future meetings in local papers, and eliminate sending cards to each member. President Harold Rhody pointed out that these advertisements could be handled with considerably less effort, and at lower cost than sending cards. ¶ Lunch was served by Grace Rhody, Elizabeth Rhody, and Jane Johnson." |

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| 3/28/1963 | Recreation & Environment | OGEMA HILLS MIGHT BE NEW STATE PARK "The Tim's (sic) Hill and Pearson's Hill area in Price County is being considered as a site for a state park recreation area, it was announced last week by Joe Sweda, Price-Taylor assemblyman. ¶ Assemblyman Sweda received a communication recently from L.P. Voigt, Conservation Department director, stating that Edward MacDonald, area supervisor for Forest and Parks Division, and Robert Esperseth, Chief of Park Planning Section, have completed a preliminary survey of the area. They recommend that the site "might have possibilities" as a state park recreation area, Voight stated. ¶ Final determination regarding the area, about 5 miles east of Ogema on Highway 86, has been delayed until snow cover is gone, in order to make a detailed inspection. Also to be checked will be the State Highway Commission to determine as to where the state trunk highway would be relocated, and what effect the new route might have on the boundary of the area, Sweda said." |
| 3/28/1963 | Businesses | VILLAGE TO BUY OLD TILE FACTORY BUILDING "Purchase of the old tile factory building, and replacing the burned-out second floor and roof, was approved by the village board Tuesday night. ¶ The building, in its present condition, will be bought from Elmer Taylor for \$750 of the \$1000 which the board previously had granted to the Rib Lake Area Development Corporation. Mr. Melaski, representing the development corporation, said that negotiations are being carried on by that group, with four small industrial firms in other communities, who have expressed interest in relocating in Rib Lake. ¶ It was pointed out to the village, although badly in need of additional industry at this time, has no buildings which are ready for occupancy and of sufficient size to be used within the near future..¶ The plan presented to the board Tuesday night was the outgrowth of several meetings by the development corporation recently. Edwin Thums is the president; Leroy Stewart, secretary; and Rueben Krings, treasurer." |
| 4/4/1963 | Recreation & Environment | CLUB IN FAVOR OF STATE PARK PLAN "The proposed creation of an 800-acre tract east of Ogema into a state park, reported recently by Joe Sweda, Price-Taylor County Assemblyman, was approved by members of the Rib Lake Commercial Club at their monthly dinner meeting in Little Bohemia Cafe. ¶ The secretary was authorized to write the State Conservation Commission expressing the interest of the local group in the proposed development of the Pearson and Tim's (sic) Hill area..." |

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| 4/4/1963 | Schools | VOTERS APPROVE CONSTRUCTION OF NEW HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING "Construction of a new high school in Rib Lake was assured Monday night when voters of Joint District 1 gave their enthusiastic approval to the project..¶ After the meeting, the school board held a special session and approved a resolution to borrow \$393,000, which is the district's legal limit. Unless a petition for a referendum on that resolution is filed with the board within 15 days, it will be free to proceed with the project. ¶ The board expressed its appreciation of the large turnout, members asserting that it was their intention to give the public an opportunity to express its opinion on the matter. The formal vote was merely to authorize the board to purchase the site, some 27 acres, which is now part of the Erv Jensen farm.... |
| 4/4/1963 (cont) | Schools (cont) | ¶ Members of the local school board Joe Dums, Town of Greenwood, Chairman; Vernon Hanke, Harold Zielke, and George Thums, Jr. Village of Rib Lake; Dick Gordon and Curtis Patrick, Town of Rib Lake; and Carl Meier, Town of Spirit. ¶ The special building committee, appointed at the annual meeting last July, include Donald Meyer, Village· Wilbert Blomberg· Town of Hill· Herman Hamann· Town of Greenwood· Kenneth Hein· Town of Rib |
| 4/11/1963 | Rib Lake Fish & Game Assoc. & Rib Lake - Village | HAY PLANNED FOR DAM FILL "Leftover hay bales from last year's crop will be used to further bolster the Rib Lake dam, members of the Fish & Game Association decided at their meeting. ¶ Barney Cihasky will supervise the operation, which will involve hauling of several tons of spoiled hay from the Scott field near Highways 13 and 102, to the public landing at the south end of Maple Street. ¶ It then will be transported to the dam site in boats, due to the impassibility of the road leading into the site from the east side..." |
| 4/18/1963 | Obituary | MRS. KRUEGER, 92, DIES ON SATURDAY "Funeral services were held at 2:00 p.m. Wednesday afternoon in St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church, for Mrs. Bertha Krueger, 92, a resident of the community for more than 70 years, who died Sunday at the home of her friend, Erwin, with whom she had lived for the past 20 years. ¶ The Rev. Henry C. Gieschen officiated, and burial was in Lakeview Cemetery. ¶ Pallbearers were Herman Monske, Ernest Tetzlaff, Charles Kalk, Conrad Hein, Martin Schinker, and Julius Gilge. ¶ The former Zieman was born in Germany on June 5, 1870, and came to this country in April, 1891, settling here with her parents. She was married to William Krueger in Rib Lake on May 26, 1893, and they settled on a farm across the lake now occupied by the son, Erwin. Her husband died on Dec. 11, 1943. ¶ She was a member of the Lutheran congregation here, and a charter member of the Ladies Aid Society. ¶ Surviving are six children, Frieda, Mrs. Herbert Domroehs, Fond du Lac; |
| 5/16/1963 | Education & Westboro | WESTBORO HIGH SCHOOL NEWS "Sixteen students will be graduated from Westboro High School at the commencement exercises to be held Friday, May 24, in the high school gymnasium. ¶ Kathleen Niemi, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mauno Niemi, Ogema, is the class valedictorian, and Lawrence Peterson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Peterson, Westboro, is salutatorian...¶ Lawrence Peterson will give the salutatory address, and Joe Soper will present the class history. After another number by the band, Kathleen will give her valedictory address. ¶ Awards then will be presented - on behalf of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, by Commander William Wedeking, on behalf of the Daughters of the American Revolution, by Mrs. Romaine Pipkorn; and a scholarship award by Principal Steve |

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| 5/16/1963 (cont) | Education & Westboro (cont) | ¶ Steve Olah, representing the school board, will distribute the diplomas, the class will sing its song, "Now is the Hour," and the program will close with the benediction by Fr. Froelich and the recessional by the band. ¶ Members of the graduating class are John H. Annala, Douglas M. Beard, Bonnie Jean Fischer, Donald Paul Kobielush, Dennis C. Larson, Gary J. Mayer, Richard L. Mayer, Kathleen Elaine Niemi, Palmer E. Olson, Sharon Leigh Peltier, Ardis Carole Peterson, Carol Lorraine Peterson, Lawrence G. Peterson, Joseph R. Soper, Walter J. Walters, and Diane Zentner." |
| 5/16/1963 | Obituary | MARTIN SCHABEL STRICKEN AT 89 "Services were held from the Taylor-Mannel Funeral Home and at St. Ann's Catholic Church in the Town of Greenwood, for Martin Schabel, 89, resident of the Rib Lake rural community for more than 60 years. ¶ The Rev. Warner Hemmelgarn officiated, and burial was in the church cemetery. ¶ Pallbearers were grandsons, Bernard Klemm, Erwing Klemm, Wayne Schabel, Robert McCluskey, Ray and Roger McCluskey. ¶ Mr. Schabel was born in Hungary on Nov. 2, 1873, and came to the United States when a baby, the family settling in New York. ¶ He was married to Julia Schneighard in New Jersey on April 23, 1899, and came to the Town of Greenwood the same year, farming until his retirement in 1945. ¶ Surviving are the widow, three daughters, Margaret, Mrs. Ernest Klemm, Whittlesey; Mary, Mrs. Henry Klemm, Whittlesey; and Christina, Mrs. James McCluskey, Milwaukee; two sons, Martin Schabel, Kenosha; and Henry Schabel, Town of Greenwood..." |
| 6/6/1963 | Environment & Rib Lake Fish & Game Assoc. | PLANS PROGRESS TO BUY ROAD WAYSIDE AREA "Steps towards the purchase of a 4-acre tract of wooden land adjacent to Highway 102 northeast of the Village, for eventual use as a wayside or picnic grounds, are advancing. ¶ The Rib Lake Fish & Game Association, the Rib Lake Commercial Club, at meetings this week, agreed to split the costs of the purchase of the tract, from the state, estimated at not more than \$125. ¶ The state acquired the property, then a part of the Herman Bloedoe farm, about 10 years ago to eliminate a sharp curve in the highway. It approximated nearly 7 acres at the time, but now amounts to about 4 with the state highway right-of-way and town road plots eliminated. ¶ Supervisor Millard Kapitz and Gene Clifford, representing the Commercial Club, and sportsmen group, conferred last week with representatives from the district office of the highway department and learned that the state will sell the land. ¶ The highway representatives said the state is not interested |
| 6/6/1963 | Obituary | FINAL RITES FOR JAMES VLACH, 81 "Services were held at 9:30 a.m. Saturday from Taylor-Mannel Funeral Home, and at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, for James Vlach, 81, a long-time resident of the community, who died Tuesday evening at his home southwest of the village. The Rev. Werner Hemmelgarn officiated, and burial was in Lakeview Cemetery. ¶ Pallbearers were Joe Lilly, Jake Bursik, Peter Beck, Albert Goodman, Joe Matyka, and Mike Schmidt. ¶ He was born on July 23, 1881, in Bohemia, and came to the United States in 1898, and moved to Rib Lake a year later. He was married to Dorothy Kapitz here in June, 1903. She died in 1920, and he reared the family of 7 sons and a daughter after her death. ¶ He farmed and also worked in the woods. He was a member of the Catholic congregation of Western Fraternal Bohemia Lodge. ¶ Surviving are the daughter, Vlasta, |

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| 6/13/1963 | Church - Catholic - St. Ann's | CORPUS CHRISTI RITES PLANNED "A solemn observance of the Feast of Corpus Christi will be held on Sunday at St. Ann's Catholic Church in the Town of Greenwood. ¶ High mass will be offered at 10:00 a.m., and the sermon will be on the Holy Eucharist. After the mass, there will be a procession to the outdoor altars for benediction of the Blessed Sacrament, the third benediction will be given in the church. ¶ The ministri of the procession: Kenneth Wudi, cross bearer; Dennis and Daniel Steinman, acolytes; Alan Haas and Gerald Schreiner,thurifers; Warren Dums and Howard Schilling, processional bells; John Dums, Sr., Joseph Dums, Sr., John Thums, Sr., and Lawrence Thums, canopy bearers; Vincent Kraemer, umbrellino; Donald Dums and Bernard Dums, flag bearers; Frank Matyka and Charles Matyka, ushers; Carl Thums, Bernard Wudi and Carl Wudi, tower bells; |
| 6/13/1963 | Rib Lake - Village | BOARD APPROVES STREET SIGNS, SYSTEM FOR NUMBERING HOUSES "Installation of street signs and a number system for all homes and business places in the Village was approved by the Village Board Tuesday night." |
| 6/20/1963 | Businesses | ELMER TAYLOR SELLS FUNERAL HOME INTEREST "Sale of his interest in the Taylor-Mannel Funeral Home, effective June 1, was announced this week by Elmer J. Taylor. ¶ Kenneth O. Mannel, the former partner for the past five years, is now the sole owner of the business. ¶ The firm operates funeral homes at Rib Lake and Prentice, having acquired the latter business several months ago. ¶ The Taylor Funeral Service was started here in 1924 by the late John A. Taylor and his sons, and Elmer received his license in 1933, and has been active in the business since then. ¶ For several years he also operated Taylor Lumber and Fuel, previously Gustafson Lumber and Fuel, which he later sold to the present owners, Stewart Lumber and Fuel Company. ¶ Taylor said he has no plans for the future at present, but expects to be active in some business or profession. ¶ The Taylors have purchased a |
| 6/20/1963 | Post Office | VILLAGE GETS ZIPCODE 54470 FOR NEW MAIL SETUP "Rib Lake's 5-digit code number under the new zip mailing plan, designed to speed mail deliveries and reduce the chance of mis-sent mail, will be 54470, Postmaster Verl A. Bokath announced this week. ¶ The code numbers break down this way - the first digit-5-represents the geographical area of the United States. ¶ The second and third numbers -44 - spot the major city, or sectional center. Under the new arrangement, the sectional center for this area will be Wausau. ¶ The fourth and fifth numbers - 70 for Rib Lake - 90 for Westboro - and 59 for Ogema, represent the local post office or delivery unit." |
| 6/27/1963 | People & Entertainment | \$100 REWARD "Now they have put a bounty on Marlin Walbeck. ¶ A cool \$100 in cash goes to the first stockcar racer who defeats him in the Saturday night feature race at Griffet Race Track at Wisconsin Rapids. ¶ The offer was posted Sunday night after Walbeck made a clean sweep again of the three races in which he entered. There was a \$50 bonus offered last week, but no one could claim it, as Walbeck placed first in the time trials, the heat race, and the feature race. The 45 cars entered were viewed by several thousand spectators, although Marlin says nearly |

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| 7/11/1963 | People | RONNIE MARSCHKE MARRIED IN FLORIDA "Carl Ronald Marschke claimed as his bride Miss Gay Turnquist, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Warner W. Turnquist, Lake Wales, Florida, at a candlelight ceremony performed in the Lake Wales Lutheran Church on June 14. ¶ The Rev. Harold Kraemer officiated, while Mrs. Max Kuehn played the organ, also accompanying Charles Thilman, who sang. Mr. Marschke is a son of Mrs. Violet Marschke, Phillips, and the late Carl Marschke, former Rib Lake residents...¶ Victor Gustafson of Philips was best man; ushers were Mike Zielke, Madison; Bob Battinger, Joliet, Illinois; and Lee Turnquist, brothers of the bride. |
| 7/11/1963 (cont) | People (cont) | ¶ A reception was held after the ceremony at the home of the bride's parents, after which the couple left for a wedding trip to the west coast of Florida. From there they left by plane for Madison, where they will reside at 1530 University Avenue. The bride is a student at the University of Wisconsin School of Nursing, and will continue her schooling during the summer session there to receive a degree next June. The groom received his degree in electrical engineering. ¶ Among the guests from out of town who attended were Mrs. Violet Marschke, and Mr. and Mrs. Victor Gustafson, of Phillips." |
| 7/18/1963 | Rib Lake Herald | DOWN THE ROAD By Gene Clifford "Because it will be the first time it has happened in the 66 years that the Rib Lake Herald has been in operation, we think it is newsworthy to announced that we're going to close up the whole works for a whole week next month. ¶ You'll receive your Aug. 15 edition of the Herald as usual, but it will be printed in advance - the weekend before. ¶ Possibly it won't be the newsiest of editions during the 66 years, but it will be interesting as usual. ¶ Printing an edition in advance is practiced annually by many weeklies in the state, to allow their staffs to have a week's vacation. ¶ So we're giving our own big staff a break - namely Hefty Babe Nehls, who hasn't had a week's vacation all at once, in at least 20 years, and The Editor no sylph himself, who likewise can stand a week of absence. ¶ Of course, we hope to have somebody around, at least most of the time, to receive |
| 7/18/1963 | History - 7/18/1963 | DO YOU REMEMBER? "The latest installment of a notalgic "can you remember" series authored by one mysterious "H" arrived this week by airmail from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. ¶ We're beginning to get our own suspicion as to the identity of the author - we're convinced that the mailings from different locations is part of a plot to keep us in the dark. ¶ Be that as it may, we enjoy the contributions by "H" and think most of the old residents and former residents do, too. Here is the latest: CAN YOU REMEMBER? ¶ When \$5 a day at the tannery was considered good pay - and all the tannery houses were the same shade of red. ¶ When Mrs. Holden made her weekly jaunt to town in her surrey drawn by a team of sleek black steeds. ¶ Bonde's dance hall hidden amongst the trees near their home. Also the earlier Bowery across from the old Greening home. ¶ When Mr. Marcus drove his |

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| 7/18/1963 (cont) | History - 7/18/1963 (cont) | ¶ And wasn't Phil Goeltz' bartender, Ed Kenney, behind the plot? ¶ The pest house. ¶ Mrs. Brietzke's dad, Ewald, delivering a load of firewood from the mill in a horse-drawn dump wagon. ¶ Ewald guiding his team and loading a load of lumber up the tramway. Didn't he call his team Duke and Roy? ¶ Note to Mrs. Brietzke: that was a good guess, Annie, but not correct! ¶ Watching Johnny Herrem make his Popeye by dislocating his jaw - much against Helen's wishes. ¶ Climbing through the high school window to unlock the door for evening rehearsal. ¶ Joe Lilly lifting the hose on the gas pump to drain the last drop into your tank. ¶ Al Gnotke at the Saturday night dances. ¶ Getting a haircut from Mr. Wagner. ¶ Following the serial "LAUGHING MASS" at Johnson's Theatre. ¶ Standing around the blacksmith shop to watch Mr. Junk shoe the horses and hoping he'd toss you a horseshoe nail. ¶ Lastofka's Store across from the Central Hotel. ¶ Bud Taylor's Band playing at the Wellington Lake Pavilion." |
| 7/18/1963 | People & Rusch | SUNNY SIDE OF THE STREET "Ear-splitting, teeth-edging echoes on Highway C north of Highway 102 last summer were produced by Erv Stelling and Fritz Knop clawing nails out of lumber from a wrecked house. Wrecked purposely, of course, and the clawing, likewise. At the end of this ghastly project, the boys have sacked up some three or four hundred pounds of nails for which there is a metal market in Medford. One sunny day last week seemed to be the right time to trek over and have this "old gold" weighed in. For some strange and wise reason, the loot didn't glint quite so brightly in the eyes of Ruthie Stelling. She graciously suggested that anyone who wished to tote over Erv's share of those golden spikes could have his share of the take. Red Zenk leaped into the act to shoulder Erv's burden to Medford, along with Fritzie. This enterprising pair were paid \$2.56 a piece for their load. Erv saved a small fortune by staying home." |
| 8/1/1963 | Environment & Rib Lake - Village | VILLAGE BUYS EQUIPMENT TO RID RIB LAKE OF AQUATIC GROWTH "Rib Lake became the first community in Wisconsin, and the second in the nation, to inaugurate a permanent lake weed control program when the village purchased a harvesting device on Thursday of last week. ¶ Bought for \$35,500 from Aquatic Control Corporation at Hartland, was a hydraulically-controlled cutting device and a loading barge, on which the aquatic harvest is hauled into the shore. ¶ The preliminary operations on our 320-acre Rib Lake has resulted in the harvesting of a ton of weed growth about every 10 minutes. ¶ From Thursday through Saturday, the equipment was on the southwest bay of the lake. It then was transferred to the area across from the high school. Soon it was working along the north shore there, then over toward Pine Island, thus opening up scattered areas for operation of |

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| 8/1/1963 (cont) | Environment & Rib Lake - Village (cont) | ¶ The decision that the village should act was made after several "weed-bees" in which volunteers attempted to clear the lake with home-made harvesting devices, proved to be ineffectual..." |
| 8/15/1963 | Spirit Lake & Businesses | SPIRIT LAKE HOTEL "The Spirit Lake Hotel, a landmark of the lumbering era, and now a resort, is being operated by Shirley and Peanuts Olson, who used to hold forth at the Harper Lake Resort. Peanuts wasn't in when we stopped there Thursday, so we asked Shirley if he was making like Conrad Hilton, since he is now a hotel man. She answered that he was still his old Mr. Republican self. We noticed with satisfaction that two fixtures from Harper Lake were settled snugly in the new surroundings. Jughead, the ageless dog of uncertain ancestry, who thinks he's a people, and the old placard. The latter - Shirley's prize possession, pictures an elephant with a glass in hand and lounging in an easy chair beside an inscription: "I'm tired of working for Peanuts." |
| 8/15/1963 | Rib Lake - Village & Utilities | NOTICE OF U.S. GRANT RECEIVED BY VILLAGE "Official notice that the village has been granted an additional \$22,170 towards construction of a sewage disposal plant was received last week by President John W. Eckhoff from three different sources. ¶ The latest grant, coming under the accelerated Public Works Program, and constituting about 20% of the total cost, will be added to the previous amount granted under the Federal Water Pollution Act, and together the sums will constitute about 50% of the total estimated cost." |
| 8/22/1963 | Entertainment & People | WALBECK POSSIBLY SETS NEW RECORD "Officials of the stockcar racetrack at Wisconsin Dells are checking to ascertain if a new track record of 13.46 seconds, set by Marlin Walbeck last Thursday evening, may be a state or national record. ¶ Walbeck won first in the time trials, the heat race, and the feature race at the Dells that evening, and on Sunday won the 50-lap state championship race held in connection with the Wausau fair, repeating his victory of the previous year. He also was first in the heat race, and in the evening, won first in the time trials and second in the feature race.." |

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| 8/22/1963 | Church - Catholic - St. Ann's | ST. ANN'S CHURCH WILL BE CLOSED "Next Sunday, April 25, after customary Sunday mass, the mission of St. Ann's in the Town of Greenwood, Route 1, Rib Lake, will be officially closed. The three little bells will call St. Ann's children together for the last time. ¶ St. Ann's has served as the house of God for Catholic residents in the area since 1888. At that time most of the region was a dense stand of hemlock and pine. The nearest church was located in Medford about 15 miles away. There were few roads cut through the woods. Most of the parishioners followed trails through the woods on their way to Sunday mass, coming from a distance of up to 12 miles. ¶ St. Ann's was the 50th mission to be established in the Diocese of Superior. The present building is the original church and is one of the oldest original churches remaining in the diocese. Standing on a hillside overlooking the beautiful countryside, and surrounded by spacious well-kept lawns and cemetery, St. Ann's is one of the most beautiful landmarks in Taylor County. |
| 8/22/1963 (cont) | Church - Catholic - St. Ann's (cont) | ¶ The people of St. Ann's realize that a new building will soon be needed. In 1949 Bishop Annabring granted permission to start a building fund. During the years since, the fund has grown to a very large amount. ¶ Fr. Charles Froelich, the present pastor of St. Ann's, stated that the people of the parish have always had a reputation of pitching in whenever there is a need. Years ago, St. Ann's people helped in building the rectory at Rib Lake, several years ago the response was terrific in building the rectory at Westboro; the response to the appeal for the Precious Blood Fathers Development Fund to build at a seminary was wonderful. ¶ The people will miss the annual Corpus Christi celebration, which was held for the last 60 years, and includes a high mass, benediction, and procession to two outdoor altars. ¶ Next Sunday St. Ann's will be closed. The 48 families will be going to the neighboring |
| 9/12/1963 | Schools | ENROLLMENT IS UP AGAIN THIS YEAR "The school enrollment of Joint School District 1, according to figures released from the principal's office this week, show an increase over previous enrollments. This is the third straight year total enrollment has increased, and indications are the trend will continue in the future. ¶ Last year's initial enrollment was 614 student, which included 438 in the elementary and special rooms, and 176 high school students. This year's initial enrollment shows 454 elementary and special students, and 182 enrolled in the high school, a total of 636. ¶ The break-down is as follows - kingergarten 23; grade 1 23; 2 29; 3 23; 4 19; 5 30; 6 23; 7 |
| 9/12/1963 | Businesses | REBUILT SITE FOR A NEW INDUSTRY "Here is the new renovated industrial building, which is expected to be the site of a new factory in Rib Lake in the near future. ¶ It was the site of a most successful benefit dance last Saturday night, where the whole community cooperated to yield a net profit of about \$400 for the Rib Lake Area Development Corporation. ¶ Profits included the \$140 from the beer stand, supervised by Elwood Bleck; about \$40 from the lunch stand, which admittedly wasn't well-supervised. Ticket sales accounted for the remainder. ¶ ...Several small firms have expressed interest in the location, and negotiations are being carried on, according to |

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| 9/25/1963 | Entertainment | MARLIN IS THROWING A PARTY "With the stockcar racing season drawing near to a close, Marlin Walbeck, who has burned up all of the tracks in north-central Wisconsin, will relax this Saturday and entertain his friends and admirers. ¶ He is planning an open house, with free beer, at the Little Bohemia Saturday afternoon and evening, and expects several hundred stockcar fans from other communities, as well as his friends and neighbors from Rib Lake and nearby communities. ¶ His dad, Adolph, will provide the music, and a good time for all is anticipated...¶ Competing at Tomahawk last Sunday, his "Little Screamer" set a new track record of 15.11 seconds in the time trials, and he won both the heat race and the feature race. He now has 152 firsts for the season...." |
| 10/3/1963 | Spirit Lake & Politics | ADVERTISEMENT "Vote for a man of action! Albert (Sunny) Lietz for mayor of Spirit Lake. Spirit Lake Tavern Saturday, Oct. 5. Spirit Lake will glow with Lietz in the driver's seat! Friendly, fun-loving, a farmer and forester. He needs the job....the job needs him! New Spirit Lake city hall proposed by Lietz. ¶ (Authorized and to be paid for (we hope) by Sunny Lietz for Mayor Committee, Sunny Lietz, Chairman; Sunny Lietz, Vice-Chairman; Sunny Lietz, Secretary-Treasurer.)" |
| 10/31/1963 | Rib Lake - Village | DOWN THE ROAD By Gene Clifford "That Rib Lake is enjoying a remarkable period of progress, which includes a genuine building boom, is a fact which hasn't been overlooked. ¶ Pictures scattered around this page are prima facia evidence, as the lawyer would say, and there are more pictures to come. ¶ In addition to the new high school, Warner, Brandner and Joe Kathrein residences pictured this week, new homes are being built by John Eckhoffs, on Highway 102 southwest, by Leroy Stewart on Highway 102 northeast, the home of Mrs. George Seidel near A&W Drive-in has been renovated and enlarged, and John Curek has built a new home on the south side. Roy Stewart is enlarging the former cafe building near the lumber yard and will make a home of it. ¶ The new gas bulk storage plant owned by Ernest Sunderlin on Highway 102 southwest, also is nearly ready for use, Gordon Gehrt has a new storage addition to his tavern building..." |

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| 11/28/1963 | Politics & People | [DEATH OF PRESIDENT KENNEDY] "A stunned and shocked Rib Lake area joined the rest of the nation in tribute to the late President John F. Kennedy on Monday. ¶ Schools were closed the entire day, as was the bank, and the post office was in operation only early in the morning and late in the afternoon. ¶ Business places in the area generally were closed from 11:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m., the time of the funeral in Washington. ¶ A requiem high mass was held at 11:45 a.m. at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, with uniformed Legion members and the Boy Scouts participating and the American Legion Post conducted a brief memorial service, with the firing of a salute |
| 11/28/1963 (cont) | Politics & People (cont) | ¶ Employees of the Gem Products Shoe Factory worked until 11:00 a.m. and the establishment then was closed for the remainder of the day. Hundreds in the area watched the details of the funeral and burial on television in taverns, and in their homes, as they watched since Friday when the President was fatally shot by an assassin in Dallas, Texas, and on Sunday when Lee Oswald, the suspect, was murdered by a Dallas night club operator." |
| 12/5/1963 | Hunting | [HUNTING SHACK] "The most fabulous hunting party of this season, (or of any season), is graphically portrayed as it finalized at the Curran hunting shack, north and east of the village, near the former site of the Wilderness Fire Tower. ¶ The season is not official, according to reports, until Sheriff Churney Curran, Rudy Kapitz and Mike Schmidt make their annual trek into the wilderness. Shown above, left to right, as they stopped for lunch, are Oscar Olson, visiting from a nearby shack; John Evancy, Milwaukee; the High Sheriff; Uncle Mike; Uncle Rudy; and Herb Curran, the host. ¶ Please don't ask the photographer for details." |
| 12/5/1963 | Obituary | FRED BAILEY DIES SUDDENLY "Funeral services were held Monday afternoon at the Methodist Church for Fred L. Bailey, 55, a long-time resident of the community..Pallbearers were Ernest Tetzlaff, Albert Goodman, Herman Smith, Alfred Peissig, Clarence Tippelt, and Edwin Thums. ¶ Mr. Bailey had gone deer hunting with the Oscar Olson party east of the village on the opening days of the season, and then returned to work for three days. He returned to hunt on Thursday, but came back shortly after leaving the camp, asserting he did not feel well. The attack occurred at his home later. ¶ Fred Lawrence Bailey was born here Feb. 22, 1908, the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Bailey, and had lived here all of his life. He had been employed by the lumber company, later by the Rib Lake Cheese Company, and at the time of his death was employed at the Hurd Millwork plant at Medford. He |
| 12/12/1963 | Obituary | FRANK MARTIN, EARLY RESIDENT, DIES SUDDENLY "Services were held at 9:30 a.m. Tuesday and at 10:00 a.m. at St. John the Baptist Church for Frank Martin, 82, a former widely-known resident who died Friday at St. Elizabeth Hospital in Appleton. ¶ Pallbearers were James Downs, Bernard Cihasky, Emil Gnotke, William Radtke, Joseph Mann, and Alfons Mitchell. ¶ Mr. Martin was born Nov. 28, 1881, in Indiana, and went to work for the Rib Lake Lumber Company when a young man, serving the company for many years as millwright. He was one of the last employees to receive a paycheck when the mill closed in 1948. In 1913, he and John Mauch received a patent for a safety state pocket for logging cars. ¶ He was married to Miss Mary Hohl at St. John the Baptist Church on Nov. 5, 1907, and they lived here until after her death on Jan. 3, 1950. He moved to Appleton area 12 years ago to |
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| 1/2/1964 | People | POPULATION DROP ESTIMATED IN COUNTY "Taylor County showed a population decrease by 360 persons in estimates submitted this week by the sociology department of the University of Wisconsin Madison. The drop from 17,843 to 17,483, estimated since the official count in 1960, represents a 2% decrease. ¶ Counties in the northern half and extending south to Crawford County in the Mississippi region of the western portion of the state generally showed decreases....¶ Surrounding counties had estimated population drops as follows: Price dropped 4.2% from 14,370 to 13,762. Rusk dropped 3.6% from 14,792 to 14,255. Lincoln dropped .1% from 22,338 to |
| 1/2/1964 | People & Entertainment | AFRED KNOP WINS HOME DECORATION "The Alfred Knop residence holiday decoration has been selected as the winner for the Christmas home decoration contest. The contest was sponsored by the Rib Lake Commercial and Civic Club, residents automatically entered the contest by virtue of trimming their premises. ¶ Second place was awarded to Verl Bokath, prizes for first and second places being 7 and 6 respectively. Other awards included Ray Voemastek, John Eckhoff, Chester Curran, Carl Krueger, Roy Nelson, and Mrs. Emma Taylor. ¶ Arrangements for the home decoration contest were completed by a committee headed by Keith Zintz." |
| 1/16/1964 | Businesses & Rib Lake - Township | TAVERN KEEPERS LOSE LICENSE FOR SECOND OFFENSE "Zondlo Brothers, Route 1, Rib Lake, pleaded guilty in county court last Thursday to a charge of selling beer to minors on the previous Saturday. ¶ Judge Peter J. Seidel assessed a fine of \$50 and costs, and since this was their second arrest within a year, revoked the license for a year. ¶ The tavern and ballroom will continue to operate, however, as the wives of the defendants, Mrs. George Zondlo and Mrs. Frank Zondlo, have applied to the Town of Rib Lake for a license for the establishment. ¶ The |
| 1/16/1964 | Clubs/Orders | ED MARTIN ELECTED TO LUCKY 13 JOB "Ed Martin, Rib Lake, was elected a director of the Lucky 13 Association, a tourist promotion and advertising group of communities on or adjacent to STH 13, at the annual dinner meeting in Fifield. ¶ Martin, Frank Yanko and Roy Stewart, representing the Rib Lake area, were at the meeting. ¶ The Association voted to distribute some 35,000 litter bags advertising the highway, to continue promotion of the Lucky 13 girl contest, with a candidate from each cooperating community, and advertising booth at the all-Wisconsin sport show at Chicago, and the Milwaukee sport show this spring. ¶ The club will renew |

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| 1/23/1964 | Forest, County | COUNTY FOREST REPORT "If all logs and pulpwood cut from county forest lands were 8 feet long and piled 4 feet high, they would extend from Highway 64 at the edge of Medford to the wayside south of Westboro, 13-1/2 miles, County Forester Emil Falasky reported to the county board. ¶ Falasky reported the county forest now consists of 16,796 acres - 15,701 in the Town of Rib Lake, and 1,095 in the Town of Westboro. ¶ To date, 190 timber sales have been completed, and there are 31 active sales in progress. The forest was established in 1932, mostly of tax delinquent lands, but most of the sales have occurred since 1957, Falasky said. ¶ A total of 569,800 trees have been planted since 1934 on 475 acres. Planting is done almost entirely by hand, using locally-hired labor. A total of 17-1/2 miles of permanent roads have been constructed, and an additional 7-8 miles of construction is planned." |
| 1/30/1964 | Hunting | TRAPPING RULES SET "Interested trappers can obtain information on "damage complaint" beaver location by contacting Cliff Wiita, District Game Manager, Park Falls. ¶ Each year damage complaints are received and control action is required by the Conservation Department. If possible, control is delayed until such time as trappers can legally harvest and utilize the pelt of the animal..." |
| 2/6/1964 | Obituary & RLLC | MRS. PRAHL DIES AT WAUSAU HOME "Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon from the Peace United Church of Christ at Schofield for Mrs. Albert Prah, 87, a former Rib Lake resident...¶ The Rev. Vernon Dolde officiated, and burial was in the Pine Grove Cemetery. A Royal Neighbors memorial service was held at the Helke East Funeral Chapel. ¶ The former Martha Buntrock was born Jan. 29, 1877, in Pommern, Germany, and moved to the Wausau area with her parents while a girl. She married Albert Prah in Wausau on Nov. 29, 1900, and they lived at Schofield before coming to Rib Lake in 1917. He was employed by the lumber company here. They moved to Wausau in 1951. ¶ Mr. Prah was head sawyer at the mill for many years. When they lived in Rib Lake, they occupied the home at 504 Lake Street, now occupied by the Rib Lake Beauty Shop. ¶ She was a member of the |
| 2/6/1964 | Health & Politics | MEMORIAL HOSPITAL "Admitted: Mrs. Randall Weinke, Star Route, Westboro, Jan. 29; Mary Schaack, Rib Lake; Ludwig Sommer, Route 1, Ogema; Jan. 30, Sharon Olson, Rib Lake; Feb. 2, Mrs. John Bockholt, Route 1, Ogema. ¶ Dismissed: Jan. 30, Mrs. Frank Radtke, Rib Lake; Jan. 31, Sharon Olson, Rib Lake; Mary Schaack, Rib Lake; Alvin Carlson, Route 1, Westboro; Ludwig Sommer, Route 1, Ogema; Feb. 1, Fred Krohn, Rib Lake; Mrs. Bertha Krohn, Rib Lake; Mrs. Randall Weinke and baby boy, Westboro." |

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| 2/13/1964 | Forest, Wood | TREE PLANTING MAY GAIN, STATES FEW "New machinery that makes mechanical reforestation practical on formerly inaccessible lands and liberal financing arrangements available through federal agencies, should help increase tree planting in Wisconsin in 1964, the State Conservation Department reports. Landowners can obtain details on the availability of machinery and federal aids from Conservation Department district foresters. ¶ Each year the Conservation Department sells trees from state nurseries at cost to encourage reforestation. Some 1 million acres still remain to be planted in the state..." |
| 2/13/1964 | Agriculture | NFO MEETS TONIGHT "President Mike Tkachuk, of the Taylor County National Farmers Organization, announced this week that there will be an NFO meeting for the northeast area of Taylor County at Zondlo's Ballroom tonight (Thursday) at 8:30 p.m. ¶ President Tkachuk said "we must get the story of the plight of agriculture to the local businessmen in the towns and villages, as well as getting the explanation of what we can do as American farmers, helping ourselves to a better return on our investment." ¶ We will also have our regular monthly meeting Feb. 28 at 8:30 p.m. at the Taylor County Courthouse in the agriculture room." |
| 2/13/1964 2/13/1964 (cont) | Environment & Rib Lake Fish & Game Assoc. Environment & Rib Lake Fish & Game Assoc. (cont) | AERATING DEVICE BEING USED TO RESTORE OXYGEN TO FROZEN LAKE "Use of an aerator to restore the oxygen in Rib Lake and prevent further winter kill of fish, was started Wednesday on a trial basis. ¶ The instrument, sold under the trade name of a "floating aqualator" was placed in operation off the lakeshore near the Ed Prien home. It was installed by a Dorchester representative of the manufacturer, in cooperation with the Fish & Game Association, and the village, and it is being operated on a 30-day trial basis...¶ The device, powered by a small motor, brings water out of the lake and sprays it up in an umbrella-like shape, before it returns to the water. The spraying permits faster absorption of a greater quantity of oxygen, as the water returns to the lake. ¶ The Fish & Game Association also has caused bulldozing of snow on several locations on the lake, in the hope that the bare ice ¶ After the device has been operated some time, additional tests will be made to determine whether it is helping the oxygen supply, and whether the normal problem of winter kill might be solved with the purchase of several of the devices, to be placed at different locations in the 320-acre body of water." |

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| 3/5/1964 | Rib Lake Fish & Game Assoc. & Spirit Lake | FISH, GAME CLUB WANTS ACCESS "The establishment of public access to one or both of the Spirit Lakes will be sought by the Rib Lake Fish & Game Association, in compliance with action taken at the monthly meeting in the library basement Monday night. ¶ More than 30, including lady and junior members, were present. ¶ President Barney Cihasky appointed a committee comprised of Ransom Haas, Chairman; George Lang and Herbert Magnuson, to confer with the Town of Spirit and Town of Rib Lake officials on the possibility of public accesses to the water. ¶ The club also went on record as favoring restocking of Stone Lake, now that the Town of Spirit, Price County, has established public access through a park and picnic grounds on the west shore..." |
| 3/19/1964 | Obituary | JOSEPH NIGGEMANN, A PIONEER RESIDENT, DIES IN MILWAUKEE "Last rites were held at St. Ann's Cemetery in the Town of Greenwood for Joseph L. Niggemann, a pioneer resident of the Rib Lake area, who died Thursday at the home of a daughter, Mrs. Peter Fuchs, in Milwaukee, where he had lived for several years....¶ Mr. Niggemann operated the farm southwest of the village, now owned by St. Joe Filas, until his retirement a number of years ago, when he moved to Milwaukee. ¶ A brother, Henry, who operated an adjacent farm, now owned by Regis Niggemann, died several years ago, and the only surviving brother is Fred Niggemann of Rib Lake, who is spending the winter in Chicago. The late Mrs. Niggemann was the former Rose Behendt. ¶ Mr. Niggemann was a member of |
| 4/2/1964 | Obituary | MRS. FRANK GEBAUER, SR. "Funeral services were to be held at 2:00 p.m. today at St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church for Mrs. Emilie Matilda Gebauer, 84, who died Monday at Memorial Hospital in Medford. ¶ The Rev. Henry C. Gieschen was to officiate, and burial was to be at St. Peter's Lutheran Cemetery in the Town of Greenwood. ¶ The body was in state at the Taylor-Mannel Funeral Home prior to the service. ¶ The former Emilie Greening was born in Germany on July 3, 1879, and came to the United States when she was a small child. She had lived in the Rib Lake area most of her life, her family having been one of the pioneer families in the area. ¶ She was |
| 4/2/1964 (cont) | Obituary (cont) | ¶ Surviving are the husband, two daughters, Elsie, Mrs. Emil Gnotke, Rib Lake, with whom she had lived since last June; Ida, Mrs. J.B. Austin, Minneapolis; two sons, William Hippe, Millville, Minnesota; and Fred Hippe, Rochester, Minnesota; and a sister, Mrs. Augusta Diethert, St. Paul; two brothers, Robert Greening, Yakima, Washington and Oscar Greening, Appleton; 21 grandchildren and 8 great-grandchildren." |
| 4/2/1964 | Obituary | MRS. MAX SCHELLER, SR. "Funeral services were to be held at 2:00 p.m. in Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church in the Town of Spirit for Mrs. Fredricka Scheller, 87, who died Saturday morning at the home of her son, Max Scheller, Jr., in Spirit. ¶ Mrs. Scheller, widely known in the community as "Grandma Ricka" had been in failing health for several months. ¶ The Rev. Henry C. Gieschen officiated, and burial was in Hillcrest Cemetery in Spirit. ¶ Pallbearers included Roy Meier, Albert Johnson, Lavern Hoffman, Bernie Swanson, Harry Rhody, and Ludwig Sommer. ¶ The former Fredricka Endrickson was born in Germany on Aug. 6, 1876, and came to the United States with her parents in 1881. They settled at Manitowoc but moved to the Spirit area in 1892. occupying a farm in what |
| 4/2/1964 (cont) | Obituary (cont) | ¶ Surviving are three daughters, Mabel, Mrs. Ernest Krueger, Tomahawk; Anida, Mrs. Robert Smith, Tomahawk; and Bernice, Mrs. Joe Hoffman, Brantwood; two sons, Max, Jr., and Clarence Scheller, Detroit, Michigan; 14 grandchildren and 20 great-grandchildren. ¶ Two sons and a sister preceded her in death " |

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| 4/2/1964 | History - 4/2/1964 & Businesses & Rib Lake - Village | DOWN THE ROAD By Gene Clifford "It was 15 years ago yesterday (April 1) that we first appeared on Rib Lake's scene and it doesn't seem like a day over 50. ¶ There have been some changes. At that time, Highway 102 came into the village past the Catholic Church, then east on what is now known as Railroad Street, north on the main drag [McComb Ave.], then east past the high school [Fayette Ave], past the Lakeside and the Daus Filling Station, then north to the road where Frank Yanko lives, and back east to more or less the present leading to the town hall corners. ¶ There were gray and ugly remains of the lumber mill - the so-called "fire hole," was intact, the old brick smokestack was still standing - the yard itself was a dismal area dotted with old railroad ties and other debris. The railroad track came through on the approximate route of present Highway 102. ¶ There was no clinic building - no |
| 4/2/1964 (cont) | History - 4/2/1964 & Businesses & Rib Lake - Village (cont) | ¶ The railroad depot, such as it was, was down near where the Standard Oil tanks are located. ¶ There were more buildings on Main Street [McComb Ave] than there are now. ¶ Gene Schlais operated a variety store in the old "Company Store" building at the present site of the Sinclair Gas Station - to the north was the old Modern Woodman building, housing the Masonic Lodge on the second story, and the John Haas Sport Shop on the first floor. ¶ Both buildings are now gone. ¶ Gene Fitch operated what is now the Standard Gas Station, Ed Prien ran the Gamble Store - the McRaes were still operating the bakery. ¶ Jeanette Mclees had her beauty shop in the theatre building where Butch's Bar is now located - in the small room to the north of the theatre entrance, Doc Mauch was practicing dentistry. Louis Bednarek actually occasionally turned away patrons at the New Lake Theatre because it |
| 4/2/1964 (cont) | History - 4/2/1964 & Businesses & Rib Lake - Village (cont) | ¶ Genial Frank Tauber operated the tavern now occupied by the Gehrts, and the Art Schultz family owned and operated what is now the Daniels Filling Station. ¶ Coming down the street [McComb Ave], the Schlais and Menning establishments were pretty much as is, Harvey Bokath was operating a filling station in front of his comparatively new garage, George Seidel was proprietor of the general store, which is now the IGA. ¶ Across the street, Ma Dodge, who cooked the best rump roast of beef we ever tasted, was holding forth in her restaurant and rooming house. The present site of Patrick's Store was vacant, but Jerry Dewzs was operating a shoe shop in a building since razed, just south of the village hall. ¶ The room housing the post office had just been vacated by a butcher shop. The present legion building was Dr. Horn's office - Bud Freeck was operating what is now Charlie's |
| 4/2/1964 (cont) | History - 4/2/1964 & Businesses & Rib Lake - Village (cont) | ¶ What is now the Golden Age Home was Mathias' Central Hotel. Wes Stiel was the marshal, Elmer Taylor the village president, and Frank Becker was village clerk. The new village water filtration plant was just about ready to start operations. ¶ That was the way it was on Main Street [McComb Ave.] when the "Fancy Folks from Fond du Lac" took over the 51-year-old Rib Lake Herald. We were younger then - we enjoyed making the rounds, making new friends, and meeting new neighbors. ¶ LPC (Lillian P. Clifford) in her first Sunny Side of the Street column, was intrigued by the floral displays downtown. She attributed the flowers and vines in the windows as follows: "The Bakery, to the heat from the ovens; the beauty shop, steam; the barber shop, hot towels; Ma Dodge's, heat from the kitchen; but questioned, what generated the heat to keep the live gorgeous displays in Becker's and Tauber's Taverns?" |

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| 4/9/1964 | Politics & Rib Lake - Village | THREE ENCUMBENTS RETAIN VILLAGE BOARD POST "The three encumbent members of the village board of trustees were re-elected easily in Tuesday's balloting. ¶ They were Bernhard Cihasky, who led the voting with 208; Donald W. Meyer, 195; and Emil Miller, Sr., 154. ¶ George Buksa received 132 votes, and Robert M. Gums, 120. ¶ The village board's own proposal to make the position of village assessor appointive rather than elective |
| 4/16/1964 4/16/1964 (cont) | Forest, County & Tax Delinquency Forest, County & Tax Delinquency (cont) | COUNTY FOREST HISTORY RECALLED By Emil Falasky, Wisconsin Conservation Department, Assistant District Forester. "The Taylor County Forest was established on Nov. 15, 1932, and the county board adopted the county forest ordinance on Nov. 16, 1935. Original entry of lands made the county consisted of approximately 4,890 acres. In addition to land entered in Rib Lake and Westboro, there was land entered in the Towns of Taft, Cleveland and Pershing. The lands in the last three townships were later cancelled by the state because these towns withdrew from the fire protection district a few years after entering under the Forest Crop Law. No more lands were added to the Taylor County Forest until 1937, when 1,500 acres were entered. Entries have continue until at present the county forest consists of 16,796 acres; 15,701 acres in Rib Lake, and 1,095 acres in Westboro. The greatest To visualize the amount of wood sold from these sales, you might use the following example: if all the logs were cut 8 foot long and logs and pulpwood were piled 4 foot high, the pile would extend 13-1/2 miles...¶ Records tell us 569,800 trees have been planted since 1934 on 475 acres of county forest land. Planting is done almost entirely by hand using locally-hired labor. ¶ To date, 17-1/2 miles of permanent roads have been constructed. This past spring, 1963, 1-3/4 miles were constructed under the Accelerated Public Works Program, in addition to the 1-1/4 miles constructed with forestry committee funds. Future plans call for an additional 7-8 miles of permanent road construction. ¶ Other projects incorporated into our county forest were surveying, which is completed as necessary. To date 50-1/2 miles of lines have been surveyed. Forest management practices include 425 acres of treatment to |
| 4/23/1964 | Obituary | ANDREW PITKANEN, 82, STRICKEN AT HOSPITAL "Services were held at 10:00 a.m. in the Taylor-Mannel Funeral Home Tuesday for Andrew Pitkanen, 82, a long-time resident of the Ogema area, who died last Friday at Memorial Hospital at Medford. ¶ The Rev. T. Miettinen of Prentice officiated, and burial was in the Finnish Lutheran Cemetery in the Town of Hill. ¶ Mr. Pitkanen had lived in the Golden Age Home in Rib Lake about a year before being taken to the hospital. ¶ He was born May 18, 1881, in Finland, and came to the United States in 1905, |
| 4/30/1964 | RLLC & Obituary | ROBERT HESS, 79, EARLY GARAGEMAN BURIED SATURDAY "Services were held Saturday afternoon at the Taylor-Mannel Funeral Home for Robert Hess, 79, a widely-known resident of the community, who died early Thursday at his home. ¶ The Rev. Hilda Ljunquist of Westboro officiated, and burial was in the Lakeview Cemetery. ¶ Pallbearers were Herman Monske, Herbert Curran, John Heisler, Meinrad Kathrein, Walter Schneider and Peter Kauer. ¶ Mr. Hess was born at Sparta on June 22, 1884, and came to Rib Lake with his parents when he was about 2 years old. He worked for the lumber company for many years, serving on the crew of the old steam log hauler. He owned and operated the North Side Garage on Main Street [McComb Ave.] from 1919-1932, and then |

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| 4/30/1964 (cont) | RLLC & Obituary (cont) | ¶ Surviving are the widow; six children; Robert Hess, Jr., Curtiss; Mary, Mrs. Charles Gummo, Wausau; William Hess, Riverton, New Jersey; Edward Hess, Wausau; Captain Jim Hess of the United States Air Force; and Alice, Mrs. Don Ludholz, Tomahawk; 14 grandchildren and two sisters, Mrs. Ida McGillivary, Spokane, Washington; and Mrs. Bess Terriberry, Salt Lake City, Utah." |
| 4/30/1964 | Obituary & Spirit | FINAL RITES HELD FOR LLOYD E. TRIPP, 66 "Funeral services were held Monday afternoon in the Methodist Church at Spirit for Lloyd Ervin Tripp, 66, a former cheese-maker and long-time Spirit resident, who died Saturday morning at the Sacred Heart Hospital at Tomahawk. ¶ He had been in the hospital since February 9, when he was injured in an automobile collision on STH 102 north of Spirit Lake....The Rev. William B. Warner officiated, and burial was in the Spirit Hillcrest Cemetery. Pallbearers were Erwin Larson, James Hanson, Gerhart Erickson, Lavern Hoffman, Clarence Andreae, and Harold Blomberg. ¶ Mr. Tripp was born in Tomahawk on Sept. 12, 1897, and was married to Regina Schmidt at Spirit on Sept. 15, 1920. He was a dairy farmer and also a cheese-maker, having been employed by O.R. Thompson at his factory on Highway C near Rib Lake, and also by Edward Larson at the Knox Cheese Factory. |
| 4/30/1964 (cont) | Obituary & Spirit (cont) | ¶ He had lived at his present home since 1927, and had served on the Spirit School Board and was a member of the Spirit Methodist Church, and had served as president of the Men's Brotherhood. He was active in many civic and community affairs. ¶ Surviving are the widow; three sons; Robert Tripp, also of Spirit; Willard Tripp, Phoenix, Arizona; Donald Tripp, Oshkosh; 11 grandchildren; and a brother, Myron Tripp, Tomahawk " |
| 5/7/1964 | Environment & Rib Lake - Village | VOLUNTEERS CLAIM LAKEVIEW PARK FOR SUMMER USE "Lakeview (formerly Tourist) Park, was at least partially put into readiness for summer picnickers and campers on Tuesday night when some 40 volunteers appeared at the season's first community outdoor work-bee. ¶ They cut down dead trees, removed dead limbs, raked up countless truckloads of leaves, split and stacked the wood for the benefit of picnickers and campers, and then adjourned for hot dogs and hamburgers, plus refreshments, when darkness halted the labor. ¶ There is still work to |
| 5/21/1964 | Westboro & School | 26 TO GRADUATE IN FRIDAY RITES AT WESTBORO HIGH "Twenty-six seniors will receive their diplomas at the annual commencement at Westboro High School, to be held tomorrow (Friday) at 8:00 p.m. in the high school gymnasium. The program will open with a procession, "Pomp and Circumstance," by the high school band, directed by John Hanson, and the Rev. William B. Warner will deliver the invocation. ¶ "Will the World be any Better for our Having Lived in it?" is the title of the salutatory address to be given by Marjorie J. Anderson, and she will be joined by Gladys Nikkila, who will present the class history...¶ Members of the class are Sharon Ann Adams, Marjorie J. Anderson, Richard Frankki, Sandra K. Gorichs, Barbara Ann Haenel, Duane A. Heldstab, Nancy Kilby, James R. Kobielush, Marlene Mae Kobielush, Doris M. Kosek, Shirley Ann Mayer, Geraldine M. |
| 5/28/1964 | Businesses & Rib Lake - Village | CONTRACTOR STARTS CONSTRUCTION OF FACTORY ADDITION "Construction work on the 112 x 40 foot addition to the shoe factory was started on Monday this week by the firm of Vonasek and Schieffer, Rice Lake, which submitted the low bid. ¶ The Rice Lake firm, also general contractors for the new high school building, has laid out the building and most of the concrete footing. Footings had been poured by Tuesday evening. " |

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| 5/28/1964 | Businesses & Rib Lake - Village | A&W ROOT BEER STAND "Thank you friends! We wish to take this means of thanking all of Rib Lake and vicinity for the fine patronage accorded us during the nearly 7 years we were privileged to serve you at the A&W Drive-In. We would humbly request that you give the same fine patronage to our successors, Ken and Reka Wagner, the new proprietors. Signed Mr. and Mrs. Carl Henrickson." |
| 6/11/1964 | Clubs/Orders | ALLEN GNOTKE IS NEW COMMANDER OF LEGION POST "Allen Gnotke was elected commander of the Lehman-Clendenning Post #274, American Legion, at the special election held in connection with the monthly meeting last Thursday. ¶ He succeeds Ronald Tauber. ¶ Other officers named were Willard Gnotke, first vice commander; Joe A. Dums, second vice commander; Harold Schrader, adjutant and finance officer, succeeding Norman Olson; Peter Bogumil, service officer; Frank Bailey, sergeant at arms; and Paul Ochodnicky, chaplain. ¶ |
| 6/18/1964 | People & Spirit | GENE MEIER LEAVES TO SERVE IN PEACE CORPS "Gene Meier of Spirit, left recently by air travel for Bombay, India, where he will become a part of a group of Peace Corps workers. ¶ Gene is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Meier of Spirit. He graduated from Rib Lake High School in 1963, attended the University of Wisconsin Farm Short Course, last February he enrolled in the Peace Corps program. Mr. Meier spent three weeks in training at Puerto Rico, and up until last week at the University of California in preparation for his work in India. Gene has specialized in livestock and has studied the Marati language. ¶ Gene Meier has also been an active member of the Busy Beavers 4-H Club at Spirit for the last 10 years. He has carried out projects and crops, livestock, dairy, forestry, tractor and junior leadership. He has received county recognition in junior leadership, forestry, beef, tractor, agriculture, and electricity. ¶ |
| 6/18/1964 (cont) | People & Spirit (cont) | Gene Meier said that he does not know too much about the people or their standard of living since he is going into an area that is new with the Peace Corps activity. His job will be to look over the problems of the people and then set up programs that will help them improve their standard of living. He states that he will be working like a county agricultural agent. ¶ Mr. Meier will be in India for a period of two years on Peace Corps duty. One of his responsibilities will also be to demonstrate what Americans are like. Gene's farm and family background, his |
| 6/18/1964 | Environment & Rib Lake Fish & Game Assoc. | FINAL ISLAND WORK-BEE TONIGHT! "What the sponsoring Fish & Game Assoc. hopes can be the final work-bee of the spring will be held on Pine Island tonight, starting at 6:00 p.m. ¶ Toilet buildings will be hauled to the island and installed, and the final brushing and burning will be completed. Dead trees will be converted into firewood, and needed repairs will be made to the two existing fireplaces by Elwood Bleck, according to President Barney Cihasky. ¶ A group of Medford men, headed by Jim Amo, county coroner, have promised to come and augment the force of local volunteers. ¶ Once this program is accomplished, the island will be ready for summer camping and is expected to appeal to many visitors because of the novelty. ¶ Cihasky asks that some of the younger men in the community lend their help, and there is considerable light work which they can do. The toilets, donated |

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| 6/18/1964 (cont) | Environment & Rib Lake Fish & Game Assoc. (cont) | ¶ Cihasky said the Medford group, which includes several volunteer fireman, have been interested in Rib Lake's "self-help" program as evidenced by the series of work-bees this spring, and have volunteered to lend a hand in the spirit of neighborly cooperation. ¶ The affair will be postponed for a day or two in case the weather is unfavorable." |
| 6/25/1964 | Obituary | FRED NIGGEMANN "Fred Niggemann, 81, member of an early Rib Lake family, and widely known as a merchant and civic and church leader, was found dead in his bed at home, where he lived alone, on Saturday morning. ¶ Services were held at 9:30 a.m. from the Taylor-Mannel Funeral Home, and at 10:00 a.m. at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, with the Right Rev. Msgr. Alphonse Kress, Superior, a nephew, and Fr. Richard Girt and Fr. Charles Froelich, Westboro, officiating. ¶ Burial was in Lakeview Cemetery. Pallbearers were Mike Gallov, Tim Gallov, Mike Zielke, Dan Walsh, Regis Niggemann, and George Niggemann. ¶ Mr. Niggemann was born in |
| 6/25/1964 (cont) | Obituary (cont) | ¶ He attended school here, and for many years operated the Main Street [McComb Ave.] general store, known as Niggemann's Store, now operated by his son-in-law, Harold Zielke. He was a member of the Catholic Parish, the Holy Name Society, belonging to the Catholic Order of Foresters since 1904, was active in the Rib Lake Commercial Club, and its predecessor, the Rib Lake Men's Alliance. ¶ He was married to Miss Edith Curran, also a member of an early Rib Lake family, on August 16, 1910. The family home was just north of the funeral home, on West Street. Mr. and Mrs. Niggemann celebrated their golden wedding anniversary August, 1960. She died the following November. ¶ Surviving are three daughters; Theo, Mrs. Harold Zielke; Irene, Mrs. Francis Gallov, |
| 7/9/1964 | Rib Lake - Village & Clubs/Orders | COMMITTEES NAMED BY NEW LEADER OF COMMERCIAL GROUP "Committees for the coming year were appointed by President Kenneth Mannel as he assumed leadership of the Rib Lake Commercial and Civic Club at the monthly dinner and meeting at the Little Bohemia Café. ¶ The appointments: Christmas Celebration - Richard Upjohn, Chairman; Harold Gums, Leroy Stewart and John Solyntjes. ¶ Sunshine Committee - Sheldon Patrick, Chairman; Duane Warner and Ed Prien. ¶ Membership - Butch Ward, Bernard Cihasky and George Buksa. ¶ Merchants - Rueben Krings, Chairman; Roger Johnson, John Schreiner, Roy Stewart and Don Meyer. ¶ Community Betterment - Frank Yanko, Chairman; Gene Clifford; Oscar Olson and Alfons Mitchell. ¶ Program - Elmer Taylor, Chairman; John Freeck and Harold Zielke. ¶ Boy Scouts - Jack Volter, Chairman; Ed Thums, Duane Warner and |
| 7/9/1964 (cont) | Rib Lake - Village & Clubs/Orders (cont) | ¶ Ed Martin, retiring president, was named to served as a liaison chairman to the club and other organizations for the coming year. Another special committee named is composed of Warner, Chairman; Pete Eckhoff, Ward and Upjohn to consider the matter of a public dance or benefit event, to raise funds for the club, a previously appointed committee having failed to reach agreement on time, place, orchestra, etc. ¶ Another special committee, named to cooperate with the Wausau radio and television stations on publicity and promotion for the community, included Martin as chairman, John Eckhoff and Bob Becker, along with President Mannel." |

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| 7/16/1964 | Businesses & Rib Lake - Village & Agriculture | CONSOLIDATED BADGER CO-OP TAKES OVER RIB LAKE DAIRY "Business transactions were completed this week on the sale of the Rib Lake Dairy business, land and buildings, to Consolidated Badger Cooperative of Shawano, according to Mrs. Emily Niggemann, owner of the Rib Lake Dairy. ¶ Mrs. Niggemann has been operating the business since the death of her husband, William Niggemann. She said that increased costs of operations prompted her to turn the business over to a company which she believes definitely will be able to provide a secure market for the patrons. ¶ Truck routes, management and employees will remain the same. Cheese will continue to be manufactured at the Rib Lake Dairy, with Mrs. Niggemann continuing with the bookkeeping at the local office. |
| 7/16/1964 (cont) | Businesses & Rib Lake - Village & Agriculture (cont) | ¶ Consolidated Badger is an organization owned by 3,400 members. It reports a history of successful operations, enabling it to pay competitive prices, plus an average of 12 cents per cwt, the past 10 years in extra earnings. ¶ Last year Badger reports handling 678 million pounds of milk, with sales of over \$33 million. Products manufactured include ice cream, cottage cheese, fluid milk, cheese, butter, powder and ice cream mix." |
| 7/16/1964 | Obituary & Rusch | BRUNO BECK STRICKEN AT HOME IN VERMONT "Funeral services were held last Friday at the Catholic Church at Burlington, Vermont, for Bruno A. Beck, 56, a former Rib Lake resident. ¶ Mr. Beck, production manager for a packing plant at Burlington, also had been active in fraternal and civic life there. ¶ Surviving are the wife, the former Ruth McKenzie, 7 daughters; Mrs. Wayne Tuller, Middlesex, Vermont; Nancy, Worcester, Massachusettes; Mrs. Robert Brynt, Ashburnham, Massachusettes; Sharon, Susan, Barbara and Gloria, Burlington; 2 sons; Peter and Walter, both of Burlington; 4 grandchildren; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Beck, Rib Lake; and two sisters, Catherine, Mrs. Carl Schiedow, Chicago; and Barbara, Mrs. Elmer Radtke, Rib Lake.." |
| 7/16/1964 | Obituary & RLLC | OTTO W. STEFFECK DIES AT HOSPITAL "A former Rib Lake resident, Otto W. Steffeck, 82, died July 2 at St. Joseph's Hospital in Marshfield..¶ Mr. Steffeck was born May 15, 1882, at Medford. In 1905 he came to Rib Lake, and he was a bookkeeper for the RLLC until 1929, when he moved to Ladysmith. His marriage to Thyra Olson took place at Rib Lake May 17, 1911..." |
| 7/30/1964 | Businesses & Greenwood | "Otto Raatz, operator of the Highway C Tavern in the Town of Greenwood, was arraigned in county court at Medford Thursday before Judge Peter J. Seidl on a charge of allowing his minor son to sell beer, and a second charge of selling beer to two minors under the age of 18. ¶ Raatz pleaded not guilty to the first count, and the court found him not guilty, but on the second count he pleaded guilty and paid a fine of \$100 and costs. The complaint |
| 7/30/1964 | Schools | TWO SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS ARE RE-ELECTED; HOLZL NEW CHOICE "Two of the three incumbent members of the Board of Education of Joint School District 1 were re-elected at the annual meeting in the high school gymnasium Monday evening. They were Harold Zielke and Vernon Hanke. Replacing Curtiss Patrick will be Andrew Holzl of the Town of Greenwood. Their terms are for three years. ¶ There were 8 candidates for three posts, namely, the above-mentioned, and Vincent Sackmann, Bernard Klemm, Frank Yanko and Wilbert Blomberg. ¶ Results of the election were Zielke, 115; Hanke, 117; Patrick, 58; Holzl, 125; Sackmann, 8; Klemm, 106; Yanko, 83; and Blomberg, 83. A write-in vote for Ray Schreiner was cast. ¶ Carl Meyer, Spirit, a member of the board, |

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| 7/30/1964 (cont) | Schools (cont) | ¶ Three textbooks were approved by the group, but voted against the publication of salaries of district employees. It was pointed out that salaries paid employees may be obtained from school records, to anyone so desiring..." |
| 8/6/1964 | Businesses & Rib Lake - Village | NEW MOTEL HERE IS PROMISED SOON "Plans for the construction of a 4-unit motel in the village were announced this week by Kenneth Wagner, proprietor of the A&W Root Beer Drive-In. The building, expected to be completed in the middle of September, will be located on the southeast corner of STH 102 and Kennedy Street, just across the state highway from the root beer establishment. ¶ The unit will be 68 feet long and 16 feet wide, with a full basement. It will be of "pan-abode" construction, and will be erected by Clifford Meyer and Sons, Medford. ¶ |
| 8/13/1964 | People & Rib Lake - Village | CLARENCE TIPPELT IN PHILLIPS JOB FOR POWER COMPANY "M.E. Guhl, president and general manager of the Lake Superior District Power Company, yesterday announced the transfer of Clarence Tippelt from local manager of the Rib Lake area to district manager of the company's southern district, with headquarters at Phillips. ¶ Vernon Bruegl, presently a journeyman-lineman on the Phillips crew, has been chosen to replace Tippelt as local manager. Mr. Bruegl is no stranger to Rib Lake, as he was located here from the latter part of 1947 to early in 1951, and is married to the former Katherine Daus of Rib Lake. They are the parents of two children..." |
| 8/13/1964 | Utilities & Rib Lake - Village | VILLAGE NOTIFIED OF SEWER PLANT GRANT "The village board was informed Tuesday that a check for \$48,900, which represents 48% of the construction costs of the new village sewer plant, will be forthcoming from the federal government in the near future. ¶ The building, under construction on old Highway 102 in the southwestern part of the village, was inspected recently by S.E. Pelch, representing the Department of Health, Education and Welfare, and an engineer for the McMahon Engineering Company, the designer. ¶ The plant is about |
| 8/20/1964 | Obituary | ELMER TIMM, 76, FORMER RESIDENT, DIES AT APPLETON "Services will be held tomorrow at 2:00 p.m. from the Taylor-Mannel Funeral Home for Elmer Timm, 76, a former long-time resident of the community, who died at his home at Appleton on Monday. ¶ Mr. Timm was born in Chippewa Falls on January 30, 1888, and after coming here, was married to Hermina Gerstberger. He was employed by the RLLC for many years, and in the fall of 1939, lost a leg as a result of an accident on the tramway. He had been retired since then, and moved to Appleton |
| 8/27/1964 | Obituary | JOSEPH SZCZUREK, RURAL RESIDENT, IS BURIED ON MONDAY "Services were held at 9:30 a.m. Monday from the Taylor-Mannel Funeral Home, and at 10:00 a.m. at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, for Joseph M. Szczurek, 85, a resident of the Rib Lake area for about 50 years, who died suddenly last Thursday. ¶ Pallbearers were Ray Jeziorski, John Surek, Tony Surek, Stanley Surek, Joe Surek, and Leonard Koffler. ¶ Mr. Szczurek was born in Poland Dec. 24, 1874, and married there to Frances Borwy before coming to this country at about 1908. The |

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| 8/27/1964 | Obituary & Attorney | OSCAR RADEMACHER DIES AT MARSHFIELD "Oscar Rademacher, about 80, widely-known Medford attorney, died Wednesday at St. Joseph's Hospital at Marshfield. ¶ The Taylor-Mannel Funeral Home was notified of the death, but the time of the funeral had not been determined at press time. ¶ A native of Chicago, Mr. Rademacher attended the University of Wisconsin, receiving a degree in letters and science in 1908. He taught school in Antigo and then returned to the university, where he studied law. ¶ He practiced briefly in Milwaukee, and in 1917, moved to a farm west of Westboro, and established a law office at Medford. He had held several county legal positions, and four years ago was the unsuccessful candidate for Taylor County District Attorney on the Democratic ticket. ¶ Surviving are the widow, the former Florence Von Oldershausen; two daughters; Dr. Hansi R. Patience, Wilmette, Illinois; and Gotelind B. Hollyfield, Roanoke, Virginia; and two sons; Dr. August Rademacher, Malaga, California; and Fred Rademacher, Town of Hill." |
| 8/27/1964 8/27/1964 (cont) | Schools Schools (cont) | NEW HIGH SCHOOL WILL BE USED FIRST TIME TOMORROW "The school term in Rib Lake district will open, as originally announced, with registration of pupils tomorrow morning, August 28, Robert C. Becker, the district administrator, announces. ¶ There will be a short session on the opening day, with students being dismissed shortly after 11:00 a.m....One vacancy still remains in the teaching staff, that of physical education teacher for the upper grades. ¶ The staff, as it now exists, consists of the following teachers: Senior high school, Keith Zintz-vocational agriculture; Buehla Zintz-English; James Linna-Coach and physical education; Mary Ann Mujwid-mathematics; Phyllis Nordgren-home economics and english; Phyllis Pope-home economics and lunch supervisor; ¶ Junior high department; Raymond Parks-mathematics and elementary principal; Gertrude Mielke-mathematics, music and art; Ann Packenham-english and social studies; Carol Kobielush-english and social studies; Glen Fischer-science; Phyllis Nordgren-home economics; Vacancy-physical education; Mrs. Ellen Dietzler-special education. ¶ Greenwood School, Grades 1-3, Mary Strebig; Grades 3-5, Judy Frischmann. ¶ Rib River School, Grades 1-3, Lorene Lemke; Grades 3-5, Frieda Anderson. ¶ Lower grades (Clearview School), Kindergarten-Estelle Bohte; |

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| 9/24/1964 | Law & Agriculture & Rusch | AUCTION! OF PERSONAL PROPERTY AT THE JOHN SCHWARTZ FARM "Action to take place 3 miles northeast of Rib Lake on CTH C, Saturday, Sept. 26, starting at 1:00 p.m. ¶ 55 tons of hay, steel-wheel wagon, two logging sleighs, quantity of pine lumber, chainsaw, two milk cans and strainer, new row of barb-wire fence, coaster sled, two gas cans, cross-cut saw, odd garden and farm tools, antique rocker, wood range, wood heater stove, two trunks, shovel, two double-bit axes, kitchen table, iron bed, kerosene lamp, assorted small items. James Amo, administrator." |
| 10/4/1964 | Law | TAVERN KEEPER TALKS SELF INTO 45 DAYS "A Goodrich tavern keeper learned that use of "abusive" language in the discussion of the size of a fine levied on him could cost him his freedom. ¶ Robert Walecki, operator of Big Bob's Tavern in Goodrich, had been arraigned a week ago on a charge of allowing minors to loiter in his tavern. He has asked to discuss the charge with his attorney before entering a plea. ¶ When he appeared in court Tuesday of last week, he entered a plea of guilty to the charge, and was fined \$75 and costs, totaling \$84.50. When the fine was assessed, he commented that it was a little high "for the caliber of the court." Judge Peter Seidl warned him that in lieu of paying the fine, he could be committed to the county jail for 60 days, and Walecki was then warned that further remarks could lead to a contempt of court sentence. ¶ Walecki continued to disregard the |
| 10/4/1964 (cont) | Law (cont) | ¶ Walecki had appeared in county court earlier this summer, and a 12-man jury found him not guilty on a charge of selling beer to minors." |
| 10/8/1964 | People & Obituary | GEORGE SCHREINER, SR., BURIED THIS MONDAY "Services were held Monday at 9:30 a.m. from the Taylor-Mannel Funeral Home, and at 10:00 a.m. at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church for George Schreiner, Jr., 83, a resident of the area for more than 60 years. ¶ Pallbearers were Dennis Schreiner, Norman Schreiner, Richard Schreiner, William Schreiner, Kenneth Schreiner, and Timothy Guy, all grandsons. ¶ Mr. Schreiner was born in Czechslovakia March 21, 1881, and came to the United States with his parents when he was a year old. They settled in the Neenah, Menasha area, and came to the Town of Greenwood in 1902, settling on a farm in the Town |

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| 10/8/1964 (cont) | People & Obituary (cont) | ¶ Surviving are 10 sons; George, Jr., PSR, Medford; Leo, Lake Geneva; John, Clarence, Lawrence, Ray and Harold, all of Rib Lake; Art, Chicago; Elmer, Spencer; Alfred, Chicago; five daughters; Mrs. Lawrence (Mary) Costley, Carpentersville, Illinois; Mrs. George (Agnes) Krause, Schofield; Mrs. Robert (Emma) Schoonover, Casper, Wyoming; Mrs. John (Ruth) Quednow, Rib Lake; Mrs. George (Ella) Guy, Chicago; 66 grandchildren, 8 great- |
| 10/22/1964 | Obituary & Rusch | THEODORE STROBACH BURIED AT MEDFORD "Theodore Strobach, 77, a retired Medford woodsman and farmer, died last Wednesday at Memorial Hospital in Medford, where he had been a patient since Sept. 29. ¶ Funeral services were held Friday afternoon at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, with the Rev. R.E. Aden officiating. Burial was in the Evergreen Cemetery. ¶ Pallbearers were Andrew Mann, Henry, Dale and Ted Strobach, Art Damrau, and Harley Faude. ¶ Mr. Strobach was born at Medford on Jan. 7, 1887, and worked as a woodman in the area before moving to a farm in Montana. Later he worked for a limestone manufacturing firm at Valders, |
| 10/22/1964 (cont) | Obituary & Rusch (cont) | ¶ Surviving are his widow, the former Minnie Greitsch, whom he married on Jan. 28, 1914, at Medford; five sons; Edwin, Wausau; Armin, Wautoma; Chester, Medford; Bernard, Rib Lake; and Fred, Santa Barbara, California; and two daughters; Dora, Mrs. Robert Pagel, Medford; and Grace, Mrs. John Rauman, of Wausau. Also surviving are a sister, Emma, Mrs. Andrew Mann, Sr., Medford; 18 grandchildren, and 7 great-grandchildren. Two brothers and a |
| 11/19/1964 | Environment & Rib Lake - Village | SUPERVISORS OKAY \$10,000 FOR NEW DIKES AND CHANNEL "The Village of Rib Lake's request for a \$10,000 appropriation to rebuild the dikes and rechannel the outlet of Rib Lake to maintain the water level, was approved by the county board of supervisors at the Thursday session of its annual meeting at Medford. ¶ The resolution asking for the appropriation had been submitted by the board's flowage committee, members of which had been in the village a few weeks ago to learn about the proposal and make an on-scene inspection. ¶ The vote was 28-3, with only the town chairman, Peter Faber, Goodrich; Phillip Westrich, Grover; and Peter Gallick, Auroro; opposing the grant. ¶ The work will be done according to a plan signed by Soil Conservation Service engineers under the so-called Pri-Ru-Ta Three County Redevelopment Program set up by the federal government. Planning, |
| 11/19/1964 | Schools | DEDICATORY GATHERING WAS WONDERFUL PARTY "Rib Lake dedicated its new high school Sunday afternoon, and the approximate 500 persons who listened to the brief formal program, and then inspected the new structure, enjoyed the party immensely. ¶ Chester W. Spangler, a former principal here, and now with the State Department of Public Instruction, hailed the new facility as an indication of the "determination" of the community to provide the best possible education for its children...Speaking of one who has served two years as school administrator, Spangler congratulated the community for "doing the impossible." ¶ On the platform were former members of the school board, Joseph Dums, Vernon Hanke, Harold Zielke, Carl Meier, Richard Gordon, George |

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| 11/26/1964 | Businesses | MERCHANTS TO GIVE AWAY 30 HOLIDAY HAMS "Shoppers in Rib Lake stores and business places during the holiday season will have an opportunity to qualify for 30 hams which will be given away by the businessmen. ¶ The program, as announced by Rueb Krings, Chairman, of the retail committee of the Rib Lake Commercial and Civic Club, calls for the free distribution of 10 hams on each of the Saturdays prior to Christmas, Dec. 5, 12 and 19. ¶ Any shopper may register at any of the business places, merely by signing his name. Businessmen must take their signed tickets to the village hall by 9:00 a.m. each of the three Saturdays, where the drawings of 10 names will be done by a disinterested party. ¶ Participating business places where tickets may be signed are Roger's Sinclair Station, Upjohn's Store, Nordgren's Standard Service, Butch's Bar, the Gamble Store, Patrick's Shoe Store, the |
| 11/26/1964 (cont) | Businesses (cont) | ¶ Also the 102 Tavern, Heindl's Store, Sunderlin's Thermo Gas, Charlie's Bar, Stewart's Lumber and Fuel, Lakewood Credit Union, Gehrt's Bar, Rib Lake Bank, Herman Smith, Andy Zondlo, Joe Daniels' Mobil Oil, Tlusty Beverage, Coast-to-Coast Store, Nite Owl Tavern, Harold Gumm, Little Bohemia, Rib Lake Bakery, and Rib Lake |
| 12/10/1964 | Railroads - Wis. Central | RAY PENDERGAST ENDS 51 YEARS OF SERVICE AS ENGINEER ON SOO LINE "The following story concerning the retirement from the Soo Line of Ray Pendergast, former Rib Lake resident, is reprinted from the Medford Star News. ¶ The family, for many years, lived on the Harper Lake Road in what is now the Earl Jensen home. ¶ The Pendergasts moved to Rib Lake in 1930, where they operated a farm north of the village limits on the Harper Lake Road. They moved to Stevens Point in May, 1964, and came to Medford in August of this year, planning to live here in retirement. The jovial railroader will steer his enthusiasm for the railroad to hunting and fishing. ¶ Recalling his "wonderful" years with the railroad, Mr. Pendergast has many memories of the heyday of railroading. Among his clippings is an article crediting him with saving a woman's life in a horse-train and sleigh |
| 12/10/1964 (cont) | Railroads - Wis. Central | ¶ One son, William, is a former employee at Hurd Millwork Corporation, Medford, and other members of the family are Mrs. Elaine Marschke, Stevens Point; Archie, Fond du Lac; Robert, Marathon; Kenneth and Keith, Los Angeles, California; and Patrick, Green Bay. All the children, except the nuns, the majority of the grandchildren, and the great-grandchild, were at the retirement party." |
| 12/24/1964 | Obituary | DIO WALTY "Services were held at 2:00 p.m. Tuesday at the Mannel Funeral Home for Dio Walty, 87, a pioneer farmer and woodsman, who died Saturday evening at his farm home on STH 102, southwest of the village. ¶ The Rev. William B. Warner officiated, and burial was in the Lakeview Cemetery. The body was in state at the funeral home prior to the service. ¶ A native of Odon, Indiana, where he was born Aug. 31, 1877, he came to this area with his parents in 1885. They lived on a homestead farm, and moved to the present farm about a year later. ¶ In his earlier life, he was active in the community, having served on both the Westboro town board, and the Westboro School Board. He was a member of the first Taylor County "AAA" committee, predecessor of the county "ASC" committee, was on the Taylor County Ration Board during WWII, and at one time was owner and manager of the |
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| 1/7/1965 | Clubs/Orders | LUTHERAN PASTOR'S CHARGES CHANGED "Realignment of Lutheran parishes in Westboro, Ogema, Prentice and Brantwood, have been announced by the pastors. As of Jan. 1, First Lutheran, Brantwood, will be served by the Rev. Charles Lindgren, who formerly was pastor at Prentice First Lutheran and Westboro First Lutheran. Rev. Lauri Pikkusaari, who served First Lutheran at Ogema, will serve Ogema and First Lutheran at Westboro. ¶ In making the announcement, the Rev. Lindgren stated that Bethany Lutheran congregation, formerly worshipping at a church east of Macky Spur, has been discontinued and members will join either First Lutheran at Ogema or Westboro. ¶ Pastor Lindgren explained that the former Suomi [Finnish] synod and former Augustana [Swedish] synod have been |
| 1/21/1965 | Businesses | LOCAL INSURANCE AGENCY IS SOLD "Sale of the Consolidated Insurance Agency of Rib Lake to the Klinner Insurance Agency at Medford, which became effective on Dec. 10, 1964, was announced publicly this week. ¶ The former owners, Millard Kapitz and Francis P. Schaack, gave press of other business as their reason for selling to the Medford firm, which is headed by Robert Klinner, public accountant. ¶ Mr. Schaack had handled most of the |
| 2/11/1965 | Obituary | MRS. ELINA S. ANNALA "Funeral services were held at 1:00 p.m. Wednesday in St. Mark's Lutheran Church in the Town of Hill for Mrs. Elina Susan Annala, 85, a long-time resident of the area. ¶ The Rev. T. Miettinen of Prentice officiated, and burial was in the Finnish Cemetery. ¶The former Elina Lali was born in Finland Nov. 30, 1879, and came to this country with her parents in 1900. They first settled near Ironwood, Michigan, where she was married to John Annala in 1902. They moved into the Ogema area about 1907. ¶ Surviving are two daughters, Aili, and Laimie, Mrs. Victor Storm, Ogema; three sons, Wayne, Oak Park, Illinois; Walter, Westboro, and Toivo, |
| 2/18/1965 | Rib Lake - Village & Environment | STATE APPROVES PLANS FOR NEW DIKES, DAM "Plans for the reconstruction of the dam and dikes at the Rib River outlet of Rib Lake, and rerouting of Sheep Ranch Creek, have been approved by the Wisconsin Public Service Commission, John Eckhoff, village president, was notified Monday. ¶ Ed Martin, chairman of the Rib Lake Levels Committee, the local group acting for the village board in cooperation with the Soil Conservation Service, said the committee will soon meet with A. William Jipson, Ladysmith, coordinator for the Pri-Ru-Ta Three County Development Program, under which the local project was drafted. ¶ Martin said the PSC approval would enable the project to be started within a short time. An early start is advisable, it was said, because construction machinery probably would operate more efficiently while there still is a firm frozen base at points where the low land and muck will be used to rebuild dikes. |
| 2/18/1965 (cont) | Rib Lake - Village & Environment (cont) | ¶ The new dam will be several hundred feet down the Rib River from the site of the present dam. It will be of concrete and steel, and will be equipped with a spillway, which can be used to release water in case of heavy flood conditions. ¶ Sheep Ranch Creek will be rerouted so that it does not flow through the southern end of the lake, as it did previously, but will join Rib River below the new dam. ¶ Martin said that the normal level of the water, after the work is completed, is expected to be about a foot above the top of the rock which sticks out of the lake several |

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| 2/25/1965 | Westboro & Law | FACE MORALS CHARGES "Two women, arrested on morals charges Wednesday night by officers of the Department of Taxation, were arraigned in county court Thursday. Mrs. Marie Derlein was charged with being a keeper of a place of prostitution in the Town of Westboro. Gloria Szymanski, Green Bay, was charged with prostitution. ¶ Mrs. Derlein asked for a preliminary hearing, which was set for 1:30 March 25. She was released on a \$200 bond. ¶ Gloria Szymanski entered a plea of not guilty and her trial has been set for March 18. She was |
| 3/4/1965 | Schools & Entertainment | REDMEN ON THE WARPATH "The Rib Lake Redmen won their first test in their quest for the Rib Lake sub-regional title, when they defeated the Westboro Trojans in the Rib Lake gymnasium Tuesday night. ¶ Left to right, standing, are George Zondlo, Russ Judnic, Allen Zondlo, Dale Seidel, Frank Yanko, Dennis Lind, Rick Gilge, Pat Werner, Dick Seidel, Ron Dolezalek, Jeff Zondlo, and Del Freiboth. ¶ Kneeling are Walter Rapp, left, and Mike Hales, right, student managers, and center, Coach Jim Linna." |
| 3/11/1965 | Hunting & Environment | GAME MANAGER OUTLINE DETAILS OF DEER FEEDING By Cliff Wiitala, District Game Manager, State Conservation Department "In an effort to reduce deer starvation losses, the Conservation Department has been cutting browse in deer yarding areas. ¶ Cutting began late February in 9 yards in Ashland and north Price County, where the most severe winter range problems have been announced. ¶ Sportsmen have been cutting in cooperation with the Ashland Rod and Gun Club and the White River Yard in Ashland County, supplementing state crews. There has been excellent cooperation from owners of industrial forest lands, and officials of the Chequamegon National Forest, where cutting is taking place. Cutting will continue until spring break-up, and we will continue checking deer yards and logging jobs in attempts to keep up with existing conditions..." |
| 3/25/1965 | Politics & Rib Lake - Village | FOUR CANDIDATES FOR BOARD; PRESIDENT KAPITZ, OPPOSED "President John W. Eckhoff, telephone company president, will be opposed for re-election by George Buksa, shoe factory employee. ¶ Millard Kapitz, veteran supervisor, bar and bowling alley proprietor, will be opposed for re-election by Alfons F. Mitchell, Sr., hotel and tavern keeper. ¶ Candidates for trustee will include Ray Becker, coin machine operator, and school bus driver. Wayne Bullis, shoe factory employee, and Eugene R. Clifford, newspaper editor, the incumbents, and |

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| 4/1/1965 | Post Office | SITE NOW DEFINITE FOR NEW U.S. POST OFFICE "Definite word that the new Rib Lake Post Office will be located at the northwest corner of STH 102 and Main Street [McComb Ave.] was received Wednesday by Postmaster Verl Bokath. ¶ The Postmaster was informed by Marvin W. Klemm, regional real estate officer for the post office department, that Ed Diagle, Tomahawk, owner of 36 feet of the lot sought, had agreed to sell it at a price which was agreeable to the department. ¶ The village board previously had set an agreeable price on the 24 feet adjacent lot. ¶ When Klemm visited in the village last week, he said that the former "Ma Dodge" lot at the southwest corner of Landall Avenue and Main Street, which generally had been considered as the most suitable site, was not wide enough for the type of building planned by the postal department. ¶ He visited several suggested sites and finally chose the Highway 102-Main Street location, asserting it would be amply wide and that space in the rear would allow for loading and unloading of mail and for the parking of employees' cars..." |
| 4/8/1965 | Politics & Rib Lake - Village | BUKSA DEFEATS ECKHOFF FOR VILLAGE PRESIDENT "George Buksa was elected village president Thursday, defeating John W. Eckhoff, incumbent, 156 to 132. ¶ Other village officers were re-elected, Trustees Raymond L. Becker with 251; Wayne Bullis with 236, and Eugene R. Clifford, squeaking in with 160 to 156 for Robert M. Gump . ¶ Mrs. Elsie Juss, clerk-treasurer, unopposed, received 260 votes, and Supervisor Millard Kenitz |
| 4/22/1965 | Forest, Wood | CUTTING IN FOREST REQUIRES FORMAL NOTICE TO COUNTY "Some people still do not know that they must notify the county clerk of their intent to cut forest products for sale on lands owned or controlled by them. This is required before the cutting begins. The law states that a person must notify the county clerk in writing, of an intent to cut forest products for sale on every lot or 40-acre subdivision, once each year. It was also recently discovered that once each year meant the calendar year, or the year of our Lord. Consequently, every notice expires on the 31st of December. ¶ In this way, the county clerk can determine, through the county treasurer's office, if |
| 4/22/1965 | Education & Clubs/Orders | TEACHERS FORM NEW WEA UNIT "Formation of a Rib Lake unit of the Wisconsin Education Association was completed recently, with the election of Mrs. Phyllis Pope, as president; Raymond Parks, vice president; and Mrs. Mary Strebig, secretary-treasurer. Jack Mercier and Ed Bardill, representing the State Teacher's Group, met with the entire faculty of the Rib Lake School District, and the group approved the organization of a tentative constitution and the officers. ¶ At a subsequent meeting of the faculty, the teachers accepted the constitution, appointed a group of standing committees, and had a discussion of business, plans, and a work program. ¶ In organizing a local WEA group, the teachers from the Rib Lake area feel they will benefit by receiving a voice in the state WEA, to which they may now send a representative, and they will be more informed and aware of the progress in their profession, and better able to extend themselves as a professional group through a local WEA organization." |

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| 4/22/1965 | Agriculture | CARL MEIER AGAIN BADGER DIRECTOR "Carl Meier of Spirit was re-elected a director of Consolidated Badger Cooperative at the annual meeting held last Saturday at Shawano, and attended by about 700 delegates and members. ¶ In 1964, it was reported by Mr. Ruppel that the Consolidated Badger's \$37 million sales represented an all-time high for the organization, which is owned by some 3,400 north-east and north-central Wisconsin dairy producers...¶ Delegates and alternate delegates representing this area at the meeting were: Delegates-Kenneth Hein, Steve Olah, Norman Kutzke, Vernon Frey, George Radandt, Carl Judnic, Robert Schumacher, Ben Dassow, Leo Radtke, Warner Carlson, Charles Novotny, Robert Hauch, Ray Schreiner, Melvin Tilch, Austin Hamland, Gilbert Olson, Lawrence Molitor, Wilbert Blomberg, Lawrence Anderson, and Carl Reinholdt. ¶ Alternates-Floren Turba, Carl Noland, Myron Brecke, Norbert Egle, Elmer Larson, Edward Bohte, Adolf Doberstein, Louis Stahl, Carl Rhody, and Ernest Faude." |
| 4/29/1965 | Law | BOARD VOTES FOR TAVERNS TO OPEN ON ELECTION DAYS "Taverns in the Village of Rib Lake hereafter may remain open on election days, according to action by the village board of trustees at the regular meeting Tuesday night..." |
| 4/29/1965 4/29/1965 (cont) | Post Office Post Office (cont) | BIDS FOR NEW POST OFFICE TO BE PUBLISHED NEXT THURSDAY "The Post Office Department is seeking competitives to build and lease the new post office at Rib Lake, Postmaster General John A. Gronouski announced at Washington last week. ¶ Under the Department's lease construction program, the site selected at the northwest corner of McComb Ave. and STH 102 will be assigned to the successful bidder, who will purchase the property, construct the building according to Departmental specifications, and lease it to the post office department for a basic period of 10 years, with four renewal options of five years each. ¶ Because Rib Lake is located in a re-development area eligible to take part in the new area redevelopment administration program, Mr. Gronouski said, ¶ "This is another example of the way in which the post office department, along with other federal agencies, is coordinating its activities to achieve the goal of the Area Redevelopment Act, in line with President Johnson's wish that all federal resources be mobilized to help revitalize communities of chronic unemployment and under-employment in order to make them better places in which to live, to work, and to invest," the Postmaster General said..." |
| 4/29/1965 | Utilities | NEW TELEVISION STATION AT WAUSAU WILL OPEN MAY 8 "Channel 9, WAOW-TV, at Wausau, will be on the air with ABC network and local broadcasting the weekend of May 8 and 9, Robert E. Johnson, General Manager, has announced..." |

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| 5/13/1965 | Education & People | 42 SENIORS WILL GET DIPLOMAS AT H.S. GRADUATION "42 seniors are in the first class which will graduate from the new high school at commencement exercises scheduled for 8:00 p.m. next Thursday, May 20. ¶ The processional and recessional will be played by Bethany Upjohn. The invocation and benediction will be given by the Rev. Werner Hemmelgarn, pastor of St. John the Baptist Catholic Church. ¶ Addresses, all by members of the graduating class, will be given by Claire Johnson, valedictorian; Donna Lind, salutatorian; and by honor student Sharon Nezfal, and Shirley Schrader. The class history will be given by honor student Tim Meier. ¶ Musical numbers for the commencement program will be supplied by class members, and they will include a trombone duet ¶ The class will be presented by Principal Robert C. Becker, and diplomas will be presented by Harold Zielke, a member of the board of education. ¶ "In ourselves the future lies," is the class motto, the colors are red and silver, and the class flower is red and white carnations. ¶ Members of the class: Linda E. Bleck, Cheryl A. Bokath, Joseph E. Brown, Edward A. Damrau, Ronald E. Dolezalek, Delford F. Freiboth, James A. Gordon, Virginia J. Heizler, Claire L. Johnson, Joseph P. Johnson, Arthur J. Kapitz, Ronald L. Kauer, Michael B. Kolecheck, Susan R. Krings, Donna M. Lind, Lester L. Mann, Gayle L. Marschke, Kathleen M. Maguire, Timothy A. Meier, Sharon F. Nezfal, Doreen V. Patrick, Thomas J. Polacek, Claudia E. Powers, Gwendolyn A. Raatz, Ruth M. Radtke, Stanley J. Resudek, Sharyn M. Schneider, Shirley D. Schrader, Terry J. Schreiner, William J. Schreiner, Jane Seidel, Richard |
| 5/13/1965 (cont) | Education & People | |
| 5/13/1965 | Law & Roads | TRUCK LICENSE SOUGHT "Application of Louis Heiser, Route 1, Rib Lake, for a license to operate as a contract motor carrier, hauling gravel from pits in the Towns of Rib Lake, Taylor County, and Hill, Price County, to points in Price and Taylor Counties, had been made to the State Public Service Commissioner. ¶ It will be the subject of a public hearing in the Marshfield City Hall at 2:00 p.m. on Monday, May 24." |
| 6/3/1965 | J.J. Kennedy & family | JOHN A. KENNEDY, NATIVE OF VILLAGE, DIES AT CHICAGO "Word has been received here of the recent death of John A. Kennedy, a native of Rib Lake, and attorney in Kenosha for the past 42 years. ¶ He died in Memorial Hospital of Chicago on May 15, after two months' illness. ¶ He was born in Rib Lake on August 16, 1896, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Allan J. Kennedy, the former being a member of the early Kennedy family which founded the community. He received his early education here and then attended Marquette University at Milwaukee, graduating from law school in 1923. ¶ He had enlisted in WWI, served as an ambulance driver in the Medical Corps in Germany, and was discharged in June, 1919. ¶ He went to Kenosha after his graduation at |
| 6/3/1965 (cont) | J.J. Kennedy & family (cont) | ¶ He was a member of the St. Mark Church, the Holy Name Society of that parish, and the Knights of Columbus. He was also a member of the State Bar Association, the county bar association, the American Legion, Paul Herrick Post 21, and the Kenosha Lodge 750, B.P.O. Elks. ¶ Surviving, besides his widow, are two sisters, Mrs. Leo (Mayme) Downing, and Mrs. Earl (Marcella) Bain, both of Kenosha, and one brother, Leonard A. Kennedy, also of Kenosha. He is also survived by four nieces and two nephews. ¶ He was preceded in death by his father and mother." |

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| 6/3/1965 | Schools | FACULTY IN FAREWELL FETE "The entire membership of the Rib Lake unit of the Wisconsin Education Association attended an end of the year luncheon at Harper Lake Resort. ¶ After the luncheon, Robert C. Becker, District School Administrator, presented certificates of dedicated teaching to Mrs. Emma Taylor, in recognition of 24 years as a teacher in the Rib Lake area, and to Keith Zintz for 20 years of service as agricultural teacher at the Rib Lake High School. ¶ At the suggestion of Mrs. Phyllis Pope, president of the unit, farewell get-togethers by the teachers will be held each spring in the future." |
| 6/17/1965 | People & Obituary & Ole A. Peterson | OLE A. PETERSON, EARLY LUMBERMAN, BURIED AT PHILLIPS "Funeral services were held last Saturday afternoon at St. John's Lutheran Church at Phillips for Ole A. Peterson, 83, former Rib Lake resident and widely-known in north-central Wisconsin lumbering and business circles. ¶ Mr. Peterson died last Wednesday at the Pleasant View Nursing Home at Phillips, a facility of which he had donated the land on Lake Duroy. ¶ A native of Sweden, Mr. Peterson came to the Rib Lake area with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Peterson, in 1883, when just a baby, and the family settled near Rib Lake, when it was little more than a wilderness. He operated a lumber mill there in the early days, and at one time was proprietor of a dance hall across the lake, to which customers were transported from the old Spirit Lake Hotel across the Spirit Lake Trestle. ¶ He built and operated Rib Lake. He also was one of the founders of Wisconsin Wood Products, Inc., which operated a building now being razed, on old Highway 102, before it was moved to Phillips. ¶ He moved to Phillips in 1933 and became active in business and civic circles there. He was owner and manager of the Phillips Flooring & Lumber Company, Phillips Lumber & Supply Company, and Peterson Cement Products Company. ¶ He designed the golf course at Westwood Country Club, and in addition to helping establish a nursing home, was instrumental in establishing the Price County airport. ¶ He retired from active business about 3 years ago because of ill health. ¶ Surviving are the widow, Jennie; three sons; Orville, and Wiley, Phillips; and John, Park Falls; three daughters, Mrs. Walter Johnson, and Mrs. Neil Nolan, |
| 6/17/1965 (cont) | People & Obituary & Ole A. Peterson (cont) | |
| 6/17/1965 | Obituary & Businesses | FINAL RITES HELD FOR WILLIAM YUNK, ONCE BLACKSMITH "Services were held at 9:30 a.m. Wednesday at the Mannel Funeral Home for William Yunk, 83, a retired blacksmith, who died Monday at Sacred Heart Hospital in Tomahawk. ¶ Mr. Yunk was born in Kewanee on Feb. 26, 1882, and learned the blacksmith trade when a young man. He operated a shop at Chelsea until 1918, when he moved to Rib Lake, to operate the shop now owned by Herman Smith. He retired from his trade in 1929, and had lived on a farm on Hwy C northeast of the village since then. ¶ He was married to Laura Schwabe in 1907, and after her death in 1928, was married to Anna Spuhler at Medford on April 29, 1942. ¶ Surviving are the widow, two daughters, Adella, Mrs. August Homsberger, Milwaukee; and Leona, Mrs. Edward Nelson, Hayward; two sons, Henry Yunk, Milwaukee; and John Yunk, Hartford; three step-children, Dale Vanderhoof, Spencer; Bernice, Mrs. Harry Krueger, Marshfield; and Ruby, Mrs. Willard Johnson, Westboro; and 14 grandchildren." |

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| 6/24/1965 | Clubs/Orders | HISTORICAL SOCIETY FOR TAYLOR COUNTY IS PLANNED "Formation of the Taylor County Historical Society will be effected at a meeting set for today (Thursday) at 8:00 p.m. in the courthouse at Medford. ¶ Mr. and Mrs. Ray Blakeslee, who are the principal promoters of the plan, report that considerable interest and enthusiasm has been shown for the plan, which calls for a non-profit society, with no shares of stock, dividends or profits for the organizers or members. ¶ Objectives of the society will be to develop a greater interest in the history of Taylor County, to authenticate histories of each of the county's local communities, and save for posterity pioneer history, letters, pictures, books, booklets, newspaper clippings, and pioneer furnishings, utensils and equipment..." |
| 6/24/1965 | Obituary | CY CLAUSSEN DIES "Word has been received here of the death of Cyrus R. Claussen, former Rib Lake resident, at New London, last Sunday. ¶ Mr. Claussen was a former owner of the Rib Lake Telephone Company, and for many years was county surveyor. ¶ He and Mrs. Claussen returned to their former home at New London about 4 years ago, after selling their home on Big Spirit Lake to the Lester Arnolds..." |
| 7/1/1965 | Clubs/Orders | COUNTY HISTORY SOCIETY FORMED "A board of directors for the newly-organized Taylor County Historical Society will be elected at a meeting set for next Wednesday, July 1. ¶ Named to the nominating committee at a preliminary meeting held last Thursday at Medford were Mrs. Clarence Lundeen, Westboro; Mrs. John Freeck, Rib Lake; Mrs. Clifford Curran, Whittlesey; Mrs. Ludmilla Nixdorf, Stetsonville; and Mrs. Ann Norton, Medford..." |
| 7/1/1965 | Rib Lake Herald | SUNNY SIDE OF THE STREET Originally published on June 30, 1950. "Department of grief and confusion: ...as Topsy as a bloom to fit with Miss Karen Gilge, or, more accurately, Karen was taking the "bone" right of her mouth, and that's what's making her pickish. Time was, that Topsy was allowed to retrieve the stale bread from the Coffee Cup Cafe. Now that Karen is in the kitchen there, she trudges home each night with a load of Topsy's bread for her measly old chickens. Actually, the chickens aren't measly anymore. Natch. It's Topsy that's getting that coccidiosis look." |
| 7/15/1965 | People & Rusch | RONALD RUSCH ENGAGED "Mr. and Mrs. Harold Springer, Plymouth, announce the engagement of their daughter, Kathleen, to Ronald Rusch, son of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Radtke, Rib Lake, at a party at the Schwartz Supper Club at St. Ann recently. An October wedding is planned. ¶ Miss Springer is employed at Dorothy's Beauty Shop at Fond du Lac and the prospective bridegroom is manager of the Thorn Finance Office at Plymouth " |

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| 7/22/1965 | Obituary | PAUL KASKE DIES MONDAY "Funeral services will be held tomorrow (Friday) at 2:00 p.m. in St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church, for Paul Kaske, 87, a pioneer resident of the community, who died Monday at Memorial Hospital in Medford. ¶ The Rev. Henry Gieschen will officiate, and burial will be in the family plot in Lakeview Cemetery. ¶ Pallbearers will be Emil Gnotke, Raymond Monske, Frank Radtke, William Radtke, Walter Winkler, and Ernest Hein. ¶ The Mannel Funeral Home had charge of arrangements, and the body was in state there. ¶ Mr. Kaske was born in Germany on March 6, 1878, and came to the United States when he was 16 years old, settling on a farm southeast of the village. He retired a number of years ago, and moved into the village. He |
| 7/22/1965 (cont) | Obituary (cont) | ¶ He was a member of the Lutheran congregation, and had been custodian of St. John's Church for several years before his retirement. ¶ Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Rose Shelley, Milwaukee, and Adeline, Mrs. Adolf Walbeck, Rib Lake; two sons, Rudolph Kaske, Park Falls; and Frank Kaske, Sturgeon Bay; a sister, Mrs. William Wolff, Yakima, Washington; a brother, Frank Kaske, St. Paul; 11 grandchildren, and 23 great-grandchildren." |
| 7/22/1965 | Businesses & Agriculture | ROLLER MILL IS HOST "The Rib Lake Roller Mill, will be host to a "Doughboy Feed Open House" tomorrow, Friday, July 23. There will be prizes distributed, lunch will be served throughout the day, and a grand prize of a holstein calf from an accredited D.H.I.A. herd will be given away at 9:00 p.m. Doughboy feed experts will be on hand to discuss individual feeding problems with farmers. There will be free balloons and treats for the children, proprietor John Schreiner announces." |
| 7/29/1965 | Rib Lake - Village & History - 7/29/1965 | WE'RE STILL ALIVE IN '65! [Official program for the 3-day celebration was published on the front page of the Herald; the following are some of the events listed.] "Friday, July 30 - merchants and dress up day. 7:30 p.m. informal dedication ceremony of the site for the new post office building. Assemblyman Joe Sweda, master of ceremonies. 8:30 coronation of the queen, Miss Joan Rosenfeldt. 9:00 p.m. free street dance, music by Frankie's Melodiers. ¶ Saturday, July 31 - Walbeck Day, 10:00-12:00, open house at the new school building. 10:00-12:00 open house at the new village sewage disposal plant. Noon - time out for lunch. Afternoon display of stock racing cars. 2:00 p.m. Kiddie's parade. 3:00 p.m. train-horse demonstration by Joyce Krueger. 7:30 p.m. dedication of new |

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| 7/29/1965 (cont) | Rib Lake - Village & History - 7/29/1965 (cont) | ¶ Sunday, August 1 - morning worship at a church of your choice. 1:00 p.m. special entertainment downtown. 1:30 the big parade. Downtown demonstrations are the Glengarry Highlanders from Merrill. 3:00 p.m. Dairyland League Baseball on the high school flats. Westboro v. Hannibal. 7:00 p.m. water fight, Rib Lake Volunteer Fire Dept. v. Westboro V.F.D. 9:00 p.m. street dance, music by Norm Lindow's orchestra. ¶ PLUS THESE ATTRACTIONS - Roy's Rides, 5-ride carnival with everything for the pleasure of young and old. ¶ Beer and food stands. Visit the big tent next to the village hall. And the canned beer stand. ¶ Bake and rummage sales by Lutheran Ladies on Saturday. ¶ Lunch stand by the Catholic Mothers. ¶ Lunch stand by Strobach's Fumbles. ¶ Barbeque chicken at the American Legion Auxiliary at the Legion Hall ¶ All the visitors are asked to register at the village hall hospitality center the ¶ Historical pictures and displays in downtown store windows throughout the celebration. ¶ Visiting, renewal of old friendships, "elbow-rubbing", throughout the 3 days is the most important and interesting part of the program." |
| 7/29/1965 (cont) | Rib Lake - Village & History - 7/29/1965 (cont) | |
| 7/29/1965 | Utilities | SEWAGE DISPOSAL PLANT "The recently-completed village sewage disposal plant will be available for public inspection at an informal open house to be held on Saturday morning. The plant, which has stopped pollution of Rib Lake and the Rib River by sewage, was built with the federal funds. Village President George Buksa and the village board have extended a hearty welcome to all citizens and all visitors to inspect the new plant." |
| 8/5/1965 | Businesses | NEW CAFÉ MANAGEMENT "Mr. and Mrs. Dale Strobach took over management of the Little Bohemia Café as of Monday of this week. Dale will continue his work at Bud's IGA store, and Mrs. Strobach, the former Nancy Kroll, an experienced restaurant worker, will be in active charge." |
| 8/12/1965 | Obituary | CARL RADTKE, SR., IS BURIED TUESDAY "Funeral services were held at 2:00 p.m. Tuesday at St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church for Carl Radtke, Sr., 89, a pioneer Rib Lake resident. The Rev. Henry C. Gieschen officiated, and burial was in the family plot of the Lakeview Cemetery. ¶ Pallbearers were Erwin Krueger, Ray Radtke, Elmer Radtke, Ed Christensen, Oscar Olson & Ernest Golder. ¶ Mr. Radtke was born in Pruston, Germany, on Oct. 9, 1875, and came to the United States with his parents when he was about 9 years old. They came here about a year later, and he had lived in the area all of his life. He was an early member of the Lutheran Church here, having served on the church council for many years. ¶ He was a lumber grader and scaler for the Kennedy Lumber Company, here in the early days, and was chairman of the Town of Rib Lake for many years. After moving to the |

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| 8/19/1965 | Schools | FULL DETAILS OF TERM OPENING ARE REVEALED "School doors will open in all schools of Joint School District 1 on Friday, August 27. The first day will be used for registration, with pupils returned to their home after dismissal at about 11:15 a.m. ¶ All teachers will report on Wednesday, Aug. 25 for in-service meeting prior to school opening. Monday, Aug. 30, will be the first full day of school and the first day for hot lunch...Enrollment for the district is expected to reach the 650 mark with the addition of extra kindergarten pupils, plus a small anticipated |
| 8/19/1965 | Businesses & Law | RESORT AT WOOD LAKE BURGLARIZED "Sheriff Marlin Curran and his staff are investigating a weekend break-in at the Trail's End Resort Trading Post on Wood Lake, Route 1, which resulted in a merchandise loss of approximately \$550. ¶ The break-in was discovered at about 7:00 a.m. Saturday by Jack Robarge, the caretaker, who sleeps in a trailer house at the resort. ¶ The burglars had opened the trading post building by prying the lock off. Included in the loot were three rifles, a shotgun, about 90 boxes of .22 caliber rifle shells, other rifle and shotgun shells, several life preservers, rods and reels, more than 40 fishing baits, fishing lines, leaders, and a small sanding machine, and other odds and ends. Cash totaling \$11.50 was also taken. ¶ Otto Miklautsch, who operates a sporting goods and trading center in Milwaukee, is owner of Trail's End. He came here Sunday and took inventory to determine the loss." |
| 8/26/1965 | Obituary | OSCAR NORLIN, VETERAN HILL TOWN CLERK, DIES "Funeral services will be held at 2:00 p.m. today (Thursday) in the First Baptist Church at Ogema for Oscar Norlin, 85, a long-time resident of the Town of Hill and town clerk there for 48 years. ¶ He died suddenly at his home on Route 1, Ogema, on Monday. Burial was to be in the Garden of Memories Cemetery in Hill. The Rev. David Vostrum will officiate at the services. ¶ Mr. Norlin was born in Sweden on Oct. 6, 1879, and came to this country with his parents, when he was an infant. They settled in the Town of Hill, and he had lived there since. ¶ He was married to Fannie Levin at Prentice on Sept. 2, 1907...." |
| 8/26/1965 | Utilities | DIRECT DISTANCE DIALING "Fast and easy DDD will let you dial right through! Sept 8 is the day the Rib Lake Telephone Company ties into the nation with direct distance dialing. Imagine, do-it-yourself dialing on long distance calls. It's a modern, convenient way of reaching people fast in far-away cities. And it's so much fun to |
| 8/26/1965 | Businesses | GAMBLE STORE IS CATALOG CENTER "The Gamble Store here has been appointed a catalog order center for Aldens Catalog Service, according to Mr. and Mrs. Duane Warner, owners of the store. ¶ Aldens, the 4th largest mail-order firm in the United States, which has for 76 years supplied customers in this area with high-quality merchandise at money-saving catalog prices, will make available its full selection of merchandise from its 800-page catalog. ¶ According to Mr. and Mrs. Warner, the new catalog service will provide their customers with a wider selection of goods and will save customers time and effort. Simplified ordering, both in the store or by telephone, will be a distinct advantage in this new service. 'Our customers' Warner said, 'will be able to choose any |
| 8/26/1965 (cont) | Businesses (cont) | ¶ Mr. and Mrs. Warner invite all of their customers to inspect the new catalog and try this new service, and say they are prepared to accept catalog orders immediately and will provide prompt delivery." |

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| 9/2/1965 | Obituary | JOSEPH LILLY, WELL-KNOWN CITIZEN, DIES "Joe Lilly, 82, widely-known resident of the community, died at 6:30 a.m. Tuesday in Memorial Hospital at Medford. ¶ A native of Bohemia, he was born on Dec. 28, 1882, and came to this country when a year old with his parents. They settled in the Milladore area. He came to Rib Lake in 1899 to work for the lumber company, and had lived here since, with the exception of the period between 1950 and 1955, when he was employed in Manitowoc. ¶ Mr. Lilly established the first gasoline filling and service station in Rib Lake, in the early 20's. It was located just north of the Herald building, at the site now occupied by Pete's Auto Service. Since his illness, he had lived briefly at the Golden Age Home, but had returned to his rooms in the Kotche home on North Front Street. He was never married..." |
| 9/2/1965 | Spirit & Agriculture | FAIR AT SPIRIT WAS SUCCESS, OFFICIALS SAY "Myra Hoffman, a member of the Busy Beavers 4-H club, and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lavern Hoffman, was crowned queen of the 1965 Spirit-Hill-Ogema 4-H fair held at the Spirit Town Hall last Saturday. ¶ The 23rd annual fair, according to George R. Swanson, secretary-treasurer, was a decided success, attracting a large number of exhibits, and featuring an afternoon horse show by the Dusty Road Saddle Club of Kennan. A home talent show, climaxed by the crowning of the queen, was held in the evening. ¶ Directors of the fair are Albert R. Meier, President; Swanson; Howard Johnson, Mrs. Kenneth Anderson, and Mrs. Elmer Halstrand. ¶ Judges were Keith Zintz of Rib Lake; M.M. Johannsen, Price County Agent; Allen Lietzke, Taylor County 4-H Club Agent; H. Jensen, and Mrs. D. Hagen, and M. Tavlas. ¶ The Hillbillies, Wilson Workers, and Busy Beavers received first for their club booths, and the Jump River Ranchers a second...." |
| 9/9/1965 | Environment | VILLAGE WILL BE HOST TO ANNUAL SOIL CONVENTION "The Soil Conservation Service employees and officials from Wisconsin, Minnesota and Michigan, will meet in Rib Lake on Friday, Oct. 1, for a conference and tour of the area. ¶ It is the annual meeting of the Wisconsin Soil Conservation Society. ¶ The morning business meeting will be held in the high school gymnasium, preceded by registration and coffee hour. The group will have lunch at Camp Forest Springs at James Lake, and their itinerary, in buses, will include the Rib Lake industrial building, the Rib Lake outlet dam and dikes, Tim's (sic) and Pearson's hills near Ogema, the Prentice hydraulics plant, and Magnuson mink ranch. They also will view Rib Lake's weed cutter in operation..." |

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| 9/9/1965 | Hunting | GAME MANAGER LISTS DETAILS OF EARLY BEAR HUNT "September 11-26 are dates for Wisconsin's early small bear season. The early season is designed primarily to promote the use of trained hounds in bear hunting. Hunts during the past two years have been successful, with emphasis placed on the "chase" rather than on the number of animals harvested. ¶ The areas open to hunting are identical to those of last year - management units 7, 14 and 28 in Ashland, Iron and portions of Sawyer and Price Counties, plus units 31 and 32 in Oneida, eastern Price, northeast Taylor and Lincoln Counties. ¶ This year, for the first time, cub bears are protected! A cub is defined as any "bear of a year" and can be distinguished by size and weight. If there is any doubt in your mind, don't shoot..." |
| 9/16/1965 | Schools | RIB LAKE H.S. NEWS By Sue Gilge and Mary Freeck "Rib Lake High School reopened its doors for another challenging and rewarding school year on August 27. On August 30, books were handed out, and students and faculty encountered their first full day of school. ¶ Last Thursday our basketball team, the Rib Lake Redmen, traveled to Hawkins and defeated the Hawkins Hawkeyes 13-1. Another game was scheduled for Glidden on Monday of this week, but was called off because of rain. ¶ On Friday evening, Sept. 10, 52 eager freshmen were welcomed into the school by a "Welcome Freshman" dance sponsored by the sophomore class...¶ Basketball cheerleading tryouts will be held on Sept. 24, with one opening for the "A" squad and one opening for the "B" squad. The cheerleaders are chosen by a vote of the student body. ¶ Students and faculty members will be |

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| 9/16/1965 | People & Rib Lake Herald | CARL ZIELKE, FORMER RESIDENT, THEME OF JOURNAL FEATURE YARN "Editor's Note - Under the Headlines "30 years haven't dimmed his love for weeklies," the following story appeared in the Milwaukee Journal last Sunday. ¶ Written by Robert W. Wells of the Journal staff, the story concerns Carl A. (Cub) Zielke, former Rib Lake resident and brother of Harold Zielke. ¶ Cub, who the story says once reported for the Rib Lake Herald, is still an employee of the Herald, as well as all other weeklies in Wisconsin, as he is manager of the Wisconsin Press Association..." |
| 9/23/1965 | People & Rusch | BLECK-SCHEITHAUER "Making their home at 1026 N. 23rd Street in Milwaukee are Mr. and Mrs. Allen E. Scheithauer, who were married Sept. 11 at St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church. ¶ The bride is the former Linda Darlene Bleck, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Bleck, and the groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Scheithauer, Route 1. ¶ Her attendant was her sister, Patricia Bleck, who was attired in a floor-length gown of orchid nylon over satin. She carried yellow carnations tipped in orchid. ¶ Herbert Scheithauer was his brother's attendant, and ushers were Robert Bleck of Phillips, and Duane Brahmer. ¶ About 100 guests attended a reception and supper at Harper Lake Resort in the evening. ¶ The bride, a 1965 Rib Lake High School graduate, is employed by the Northwestern National Insurance Company at Milwaukee, and the groom by Highway Pavers, Inc..." |

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| 9/23/1965 | Politics | COUNTY BOARD CUTS DOWN TO 21 SUPERVISORS "Meeting in special session Monday, the Taylor County Board of Supervisors approved a reapportion plan, which will reduce its membership from 29 to 21, approved a site in the Town of Chelsea as a proposed location for the new state boys training school, and approved conversion of Taylor County Teacher's College into a branch of the state university system..." |
| 9/23/1965 | Businesses | MINK FESTIVAL AT MEDFORD "A national "Mink Festival USA" will be held at Medford October 4-10, with sales promotion, street dancing, mink style shows, banquet and a large parade on Sunday, the closing day. ¶ A total of \$250 will be offered in prizes for participants in the parade with 5 classes. Neighboring communities are invited to participate in the parade, and all people in the area are invited to attend festivities at Medford, self-styled "Mink Capital of the World." Gordon Kniskern will be parade marshal." |
| 9/30/1965 | Environment | SOIL CONSERVATIONISTS MEETING HERE FRIDAY "Approximately 100 men are expected to be in Rib Lake tomorrow, Friday, to attend the annual fall meeting and field tour of the Wisconsin Chapter, Soil Conservation Society of America....¶ The group also will make a 30-minute tour of the Prentice Hydraulics Factory and see a demonstration of its equipment. On their return trip, there will be a view of Tim's Hill (sic) east of Ogema, the highest point in the state, and a view of the Sugar Bush and Industrial Forest...." |
| 9/30/1965 | Law & Westboro | CIRCUIT COURT OPENS "Marie Derlein, Town of Westboro, charged with being the keeper of a house of prostitution, entered a plea of nolo contendere. She was found guilty by the court, fined \$500 and costs, and placed on probation for 4 years, after the court stayed a sentence to the state prison for women at Taycheedah." |
| 10/7/1965 | Obituary & RLLC | JOHN A. SEKADLO, EX-MILLWRIGHT, IS BURIED SATURDAY "Services were held at 9:00 a.m. Saturday at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church for John A. Sekadlo, 86, a long-time resident of the community who died at Cassopolis, Michigan. ¶ Old friends and neighbors served as pallbearers, including George Zondlo, Emil Gnotke, William Radtke, Oscar Olson, Herman Monske, and Martin Schinker. ¶ Mr. Sekadlo was born in Kewaunee on April 16, 1879, and came to Rib Lake, having been employed for many years as a millwright at the Rib Lake Lumber Company mill. He was married to Bertha Kocar, who preceded him in death in 1930. ¶ He moved to |

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| 10/21/1965 | Businesses | LOCAL COAST-TO-COAST STORE CHANGES HANDS "Sale of the Rib Lake Coast-to-Coast Hardware store to Mr. and Mrs. John Sabo, Medford, was announced this week by Mr. and Mrs. Rueben Krings. ¶ The deal includes the business and stock on hand, and the two-story building in which it is housed, a one-story warehouse addition at the rear, and a smaller garage, as well as the enclosed vacant lot to the north of the building. There are two apartments on the second floor. Krings and his brother-in-law, Melvin Theilig, came to Rib Lake about 11 years ago, acquiring the business from Leon Olsen, who operated an independent hardware store under the name of Olson Hardware. They took over the Marshall-Wells line of merchandise, and later switched to the Coast-to-Coast chain, when Marshall-Wells was acquired by it. ¶ Theilig, now in the florist business at Ladysmith, disposed of his interest |
| 12/2/1965 | Westboro & Church - Catholic - St. Ann's | ST. THERESA'S CHURCH RETIRES DEBT "Adult members of St. Theresa's Catholic Church of Westboro will attend a dinner and program celebrating the cancellation of all indebtedness on their church and rectory on Saturday morning. ¶ In February, 1950, a meeting of the members of St. Theresa's Church was called in the community hall at Westboro to initiate a building fund for the future erection of the new parish church. The old church was built in 1906, but because of the inability to heat the building properly during the severe winter months, combined with the infrequent use of the building for many years, the foundation began to weaken and crumble...¶ On Holy Thursday, April 3, 1958, the last mass was offered in the old church, and on Easter Sunday, April 6, 1958, ¶ After the dedication of the new church, Fr. Weiner was transferred to Centerville, Iowa,...with the generous help of the members of St. Ann's of Greenwood, then a mission of Westboro, who supplied most of the lumber and a considerable part of the volunteer labor force, the new rectory was completed in February of 1960 at a cost of approximately \$13,000, finished and furnished." |
| 12/2/1965 (cont) | Westboro & Church - Catholic - St. Ann's (cont) | |
| 12/9/1965 | Westboro | FIRST LUTHERAN RETIRES DEBT "Members of the First Evangelical Lutheran Church at Westboro have completed retirement of the congregation's debt. ¶ It was in 1958 that the congregation started a program of improvement enlargement at an estimated cost of \$13,000, of which some \$10,000 was borrowed, and the final repayment made on Dec. 2. ¶ Members of the Finance-Building Committee were George Odau, Chairman; Mrs. Oluf Borgemoen, Secretary; Harold Odau, Treasurer; Mrs. Henry Pipkorn, Oluf Borgemoen, John Hanson, Robert Scott, Ben Peterson, Earl Witmer, and Neal Maatta...¶ The church was organized in July, 1884, as a Swedish |

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| 12/9/1965 | Rib Lake Fish & Game Assoc. & Clubs/Orders | FRANK YANKO IS NEW LEADER OF FISH-GAME CLUB "Frank Yanko was elected president of the Rib Lake Fish & Game Assoc. for 1966 at the monthly meeting in the library basement. ¶ He succeeds Barney Cihasky, who was named Vice President. ¶ Joe Pertmer was re-elected secretary, and Gene Clifford was named treasurer to succeed Yanko. ¶ Appointment of committees for the 15th annual ice fishing contest, to be held in Rib Lake on Feb. 5, was made by the retiring chairman, after the club decided that the event will follow the usual pattern, with free chicken booyah to be served to all ticket holders, and with awards to be made to card players and ticket holders, as well as fishermen. ¶ The appointments: Chicken-Yanko, Butch Ward and Vic Kohn; Chicken Booyah-Clifford, Ed Martin, Clifford Waldhart, and John Eckhoff; Waiters and kitchen-Elwood Bleck; ticket sale on ice-Ed Thums and John Schreiner; advance ticket sales and distribution of bills-Waldhart and Ward; prizes-Cihasky, Martin and Yanko; cards-Carl Seidel." |
| 12/9/1965 | People & Rusch | POSSIBLY ABOUT YOU....TED STROBACH BABY IS BAPTIZED "The Rev. Warner Hemmelgarn officiated Sunday at the baptism of Michael Francis Strobach, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ted Strobach. Sponsors were Mr. and Mrs. Joe Schmidtfanz. Dinner guests were the grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Yost, and Nancy and Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Strobach, and Dean. Also visiting there were Mr. and Mrs. Chester Strobach and daughter, and Mrs. Theo Strobach, the great grandmother, Medford " |
| 12/9/1965 | Businesses | FREE CHRISTMAS TURKEYS "Will be given away by Rib Lake progressive business places Sat., Dec. 11, and Dec. 18. Registration until 9:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 17. No purchase necessary. Only tickets signed in participating businesses will be valid. 15 TURKEYS EACH DAY. Tickets available at the following sponsors: 1) A&W Root Beer Stand; 2) Patrick Shoe Store; 3) Zielke's Store; 4) Bud's IGA Store; 5) Rib Lake Herald; 6) Maudie's Florists; 7) Hilgart's Barbershop; 8) Schlais Clothing Store; 9) Sunderlin's Thermogas; 10) Mannel Funeral Home; 11) Rib Lake Telephone Co.; 12) Rib Lake Roller Mills; 13) Lakewood Credit Union; 14) Kliner Insurance, Inc.; 15) 20) Coast-to-Coast Store; 21) Nite Owl Tavern; 22) Gumm's Fix-it Shop; 23) Little Bohemia; 24) Smith's Welding Service; 25) State Bank of Medford; 26) Butch's Bar; 27) Helglmeier's Bakery; 28) The Gamble Store; 29) Nordgren's Standard Service; 30) Stewart's Lumber and Fuel; 31) Roger's ServiCenter; 32) Heindl's Clover Farm; 33) Little Bohemia Cafe; 34) Dr. S.E. Hager; 35) Thomsen Phillips; 36) 36) Heinkel Store; 37) Lake Superior District |
| 12/9/1965 (cont) | Businesses (cont) | |
| 12/16/1965 | Rib Lake - Village & Rib Lake Herald | NOBODY SAYS NOTHIN'; 1966 BUDGET OK "No one appeared to approve or disapprove the proposed village budget at the so-called "public hearing" Tuesday evening, so the trustees accepted it with little discussion. It calls for expenditures of \$77,915.77..." |
| 12/16/1965 | People & Clubs/Orders & Post Office | BOKATH HEADS POSTMASTERS "Verl A. Bokath of Rib Lake was elected president of the Taylor County Postmasters at the quarterly dinner meeting held last Saturday night at the Plantation Supper Club at Medford. He succeeds Postmaster Pat Sherida of Medford. ¶ Mrs. Albert Frischmann was named secretary to succeed Ray Boxrucker, Stetsonville. All of the post offices in the county were represented by the Postmasters and Postmistresses and their wives or husbands. ¶ The next meeting will be held in the Gilman area in April." |

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| 12/16/1965 | Spirit | SPIRIT ROUND-UP - GERMAN SETTLEMENT "We can be quite sure of a white Christmas this year, although the rain Saturday made us wonder. The side roads were quite treacherous over the weekend. ¶ In spite of the weather, a large crowd attended the Christmas party sponsored by the Legion on Saturday evening. The Legion Auxiliary and young folks who prepared the program deserve appreciation for a happy social evening. Just a thought: would this be an opportunity for promoting a community chorus? We do have a lot of talent among the young people and adults. ¶ Little Scott Alan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Orville Komarek of Route 2, Ogema, was baptized at Zion Lutheran Church on Sunday. Sponsors were Mr. and Mrs. Randy Weinke of Rib Lake. ¶ Luddie Sommer and Mrs. Roy Meier attended the funeral of Mrs. Mary Marten at Ogema on Friday. ¶ Ed Scheller is employed by Wilbert Blomberg on a building project at Camp Forest Springs on James Lake. ¶ Mr. and Mrs. Lavern Hoffman and Mrs. Ralph Weatherford took Mrs. Gust Brietzke to Wausau on Thursday, where she received medical attention. |
| 12/16/1965 (cont) | Spirit (cont) | ¶ It is nice to see lights in the house on the Semrow corner again. The S.D. Stickmann family, formerly of Milwaukee, moved there last week. Mr. Stickmann is employed by Prentice Hydraulics. Welcome to Spirit!" |
| 12/23/1965 | Obituary | MRS. ANNA WOLFF, EARLY RESIDENT, IS BURIED IN YAKIMA "Mrs. Victor Kohn has returned to her home here after being in Yakima, Washington, to visit with her parents and attend her mother's funeral. ¶ Mrs. Anna Josephine Wolff, 86, an early widely-known resident of this community, died Dec. 2, and services were held at the Keith & Keith Chapel, with the Rev. Adascheck, Pastor of Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church, officiating. ¶ The former Anna Josephine Kaske was born in Mocker, Germany, on Nov. 17, 1879, and came to the United States in 1893 with her family. She and William A. Wolff came to this country on the same boat, and she was married to Mr. Wolff at Greenwood, Wis. in 1899. ¶ They lived here until 1928, when they moved to Yakima..." |
| 12/23/1965 | Obituary | ALEX FORSBERG, 74, IS BURIED AT OGEMA "Services were held at the home at Ogema on Monday afternoon for Alex C. Forsberg, 74, who died the previous Friday at the home of a daughter in Des Plaines, Illinois. ¶ The body was in state at the Mannel Funeral Home in Rib Lake prior to the service, over which the deceased son, the Rev. Charles Forsberg of New York City, New York, officiated. Burial was in the Hillside Cemetery. ¶ Mr. Forsberg was born in Sweden August 18, 1891, and came to this country when a young man. He attended schools at Prentice and later received a bachelor of science degree in agriculture from the University of Wisconsin in 1916. He served in the Army in WWI, and after his discharge, settled on the Johannas-Johnson homestead north of Ogema. He was married to Genevieve Eleanor Nelson at Ogema on Januarv 10. 1920. ¶ In 1945. he worked for the |

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| 12/23/1965 (cont) | Obituary (cont) | ¶ He traveled extensively between 1951 and 1960, taking trips to Alaska, Mexico, South America, and Western Europe, where he visited his birthplace, Omeo, Sweden. He also had traveled around the world on a freighter. ¶ Surviving are the son and a daughter, 12 grandchildren, a brother, Ole Forsberg, Santa Barbara, California; and a sister, Mrs. Hannah Eaton, Stockton, California. ¶ Bellhangers were Carl Edwin and Lorin Nelson. Russell Mattoon |
| 12/23/1965 | People & Schools | REDMEN TAKE FIRST PLACE IN CONFERENCE "The Rib Lake Redmen secured their grip on first place in the Flambeau conference by winning a thriller from Winter, 64-63. The win left the Redmen with a 5-1 conference record, and a 6-1 overall record before the holidays. ¶ In Tuesday night's thriller, the Redmen led 19-17 after the first quarter, then with tremendous field shooting, led at half-time 30-43, as they dumped in 64% of their first half attempts. ¶ They cooled off during the second half, hitting only 43% from the field, while most of Winter's offense was by 6'4" George Spreckles, whom the Redmen could not stop. Before the night was over, Spreckles had accounted for 30 total points. ¶ The second half found a tough Winter ball-club fighting back, outscoring Rib Lake |
| 12/23/1965 (cont) | People & Schools (cont) | ¶ For Rib Lake's great team effort, it was Allen Zondlo with 17, George Zondlo with 15, Russ Judnic and Rick Gilge with 14 and 13, respectively, who paced the scoring. But the big story was the fine defense and a variety of tantalizing zone presses that kept the Winter offense off-balance just enough to cause mistakes. Lind played a fine floor game to help in the team effort. ¶ The team will begin workouts again on Dec. 28 in an attempt to prepare for Prentice, whom they meet there on January 7." |
| 12/30/1965 | Rib Lake Herald & Schools | RIB LAKE HERALD IS "SCOOPED" "The Rib Lake Herald is happy, this week, to reprint from the Medford Star News the Rib Lake High School news from last week. ¶ We had a quaint, old-fashioned idea, that, being the only newspaper in Rib Lake, the only newspaper-tax contributor to the Rib Lake School system, and the one and only newspaper in the world that gives a hoot about Rib Lake-that we should have an equality-if not, possibly, a priority-on the news of our own school system. ¶ We don't blame it on the Rib Lake Herald - we're always ready, willing and able to print the news. Rather, we'd like it blamed on "UTTER CARELESSNESS" -and it is just that! ¶ In the meantime, we're not upset, annoyed, jealous, bothered, ugly, ill-conceived, petty, disorganized or off-the-beam - we're just MAD, man, MAD! ¶ Signed, Eugene R. Clifford. ¶ p.s.This is not the first time that it has happened. The |
| 12/30/1965 | Clubs/Orders | DECORATION AWARDS MADE "Winners in the Rib Lake Commercial and Civic Clubs annual Christmas decoration contest for homes were announced Tuesday by the judges. The homes of Verl Bokath, overlooking the lake, and Ray Synol, on Landall Ave., were tied for first, each receiving \$6.50. ¶ The John Eckhoff home was third for \$5, and the Alfred Knop, Chester Curran and Duane Warner homes were tied, each receiving \$2." |
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| 1/6/1966 | Rib Lake Herald & Schools | STUDENTS EXPLAIN HOW R.L. HERALD WASN'T "SCOOPED" " The following letters explain why the Herald failed to print the High School news on several occasions. The error apparently was our own. ¶ Mistakes do happen, and we're sorry. Signed Gene Clifford, The Editor. ¶ To Mr. Clifford: At the beginning of the school year, the third-hour junior English class was given the privilege of writing up the school news for the Rib Lake Herald. We have done this faithfully, except for a short week just before Christmas, when there was no news. ¶ The article that the editor copied out of the Star News was, I repeat, was handed in by Patty Patrick and Lois Nye. As for the Herald being the only paper in the world that covers what happens in RLHS, again you are mistaken. The |
| 1/6/1966 (cont) | Rib Lake Herald & Schools (cont) | ¶ We feel that an apology is due to the entire student body of RLHS, and especially to the third-hour junior English class, and we also feel that the apology should be in equal size print and on the front page, just as the article entitled, "Rib Lake Herald is Scooped" was. ¶ In the future, we think both sides should be more careful. We also think that Mr. Clifford should give credit where credit is due because the RLHS news was handed in." |
| 1/6/1966 | Clubs/Orders | THIRTY DONORS AT BLOOD BANK "The most successful session of the Rib Lake area blood bank was held Wednesday of last week, with a total of 30 pints being donated. ¶ Last week's donors were lined up by ladies' organizations of three churches in the community - the Christian Mothers Confraternity of St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, with Mrs. Regis Niggemann in charge, the Women's Society of Christian Service of the Methodist Church, Mrs. Keith Zintz, and the Ladies Society of the St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Mrs. Adolph Walbeck. ¶ Assisting the professional staff were Mrs. Wayne Bullis, Mrs. Arthur Hilgart, and the "Still Alive in '65" |
| 1/13/1966 | Fire & Greenwood | FIRE DESTROYS MATYKA HOME "Fire, which was out of control before the volunteer fire trucks from Rib Lake appeared on the scene, completely destroyed the 9-room, 2-story farm home of the Frank Matykas in the Town of Greenwood Monday afternoon. ¶ The home was located on a town road a short distance west of the old Greenwood Town Hall site. ¶ Fire Chief Frank Yanko estimated the loss, which included the building, and all of its contents, at upwards of \$16,000. ¶ The family, including 7 seven children, escaped with only the clothing which they were wearing. Mr. Matyka was in Medford at the time of the conflagration. ¶ Mrs. Matyka was unable to reach |

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| 1/13/1966 (cont) | Fire & Greenwood (cont) | ¶ The local volunteer fire department alarm was sounded at about 12:30 and when the trucks arrived, the blaze, fanned by high wind, was impossible to contain. Firemen made two trips with the tank wagon to a nearby creek, but little water was available there, after the original supply had been exhausted. ¶ Firemen remained on the scene until about 7:00 p.m., and were able to protect the other buildings. The family is staying temporarily with friends and relatives. Five of the seven youngsters are in school." |
| 1/13/1966 | Businesses | DUNN AND BRADSTREET REPORTS! "Dunn and Bradstreet, Inc., international business information agency, now marking its 125th year, has released latest statistics on the business population of Rib Lake. ¶ Doyle E. Smith, district manager of the Milwaukee office of D & B, reports that figures obtained by a physical count of the Dunn & Bradstreet reference book for January, 1966, show there are 20 retailers, wholesalers and manufacturers locally. " |
| 1/27/1966 | Rib Lake - Village | DOWN THE ROAD "Members of the village board agreed Tuesday night that the village should stand the expense of operating two aerators, which are expected to prevent any extensive winter kill of fish in Rib Lake. ¶ The expense, of course, is for the electricity. One aerator has been in operation, periodically, off the east shore near the Silver Creek mouth, and the other will be set off the west shore, in the general vicinity of the skating rink. It will be set far enough out that it will not interfere with the skating, however." |
| 2/3/1966 | Obituary | FINAL RITES FOR VICTOR LINDEN, OGEMA FARMER "Services were held at 1:00 p.m. Monday at the Mannel Funeral Home in Rib Lake for Victor Jacob Linden, 81, a long-time Town of Hill resident, who died Saturday at Memorial Hospital of Taylor County in Medford. ¶ The Rev. Luther Jacobson of Ogema officiated, and burial was in the Leavitt Creek Cemetery in the Town of Hill. ¶ Pallbearers were Eino Niemi, Albert Erdmann, Charles Haapoja, Donald and Tony Knivila, and Herman Pitkanen. ¶ Mr. Linden was born in Finland on July 25, 1884, and came to the United States with his parents when a young boy. The family settled in New York Mills, Minnesota, and he lived there until 1907, when he came to the Town of Hill to farm. ¶ He was married to Signe Juni on July 19, 1928. ¶ Surviving are the wife, a daughter, Violet, Mrs. Melvin Nikkila, Ogema; two sons: |
| 2/10/1966 | Law | BURGLARS TAKE BRANDY, CASH AT RURAL TAVERNS "Burglars took advantage of Tuesday night's rainy and foggy weather to rob two Rib Lake area taverns, taking more than \$100 in cash and two bottles of brandy. ¶ The biggest loot was at the Cat-tail Tap, at the intersection of CTH C and M, where more than \$100 was taken from the cash register. ¶ At the Zondlo tavern, on Highway 102 at its intersection with CTH C, they took about \$4 in cash and two bottles of brandy. ¶ Melvin Budimlija, proprietor of the Cat-tail, discovered the loss when he returned at about 12:30 a.m. Wednesday after bowling in Rib Lake. When he arrived home, he noticed that a door on the west side of the establishment had been broken open, and a subsequent check of the cash register revealed the robbery. |

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| 2/10/1966 | Schools & Education & Politics | ASSEMBLYMAN SWEDA SPEAKS TO TEACHERS "Assemblyman Joe Sweda, Lublin, told the Rib Lake area educators that education at its various levels is the most beneficial service the state provides, and that it is the most costly. ¶ Speaking at the Rib Lake High School last Thursday, Sweda said that to support Wisconsin's system of education from kindergarten to advanced technical training and graduate studies, takes 54% of the executive budget passed by the 1965 legislature, totaling in excess of \$450 million. ¶ He spoke on the proposed new branch campus at Medford and summarized legislation pertaining to education, and said the Bill 911-A, which he co-sponsored, is |
| 2/10/1966 (cont) | Schools & Education & Politics (cont) | ¶ "To point out what this means to the two counties in my assembly district, based on last year's enrollment, Lincoln and Taylor Counties would received an extra \$210,500 in school aids," he said. "This bill passed the assembly and is a special order of business on the senate calendar when the legislature convenes in May. I am hopeful the senate will concur with the assembly action and send it to the governor for his signature " |
| 2/10/1966 | Clubs/Orders | HISTORICAL SOCIETY MEETS IN RIB LAKE "An evening charter meeting of the Taylor County Historical Society will be held in Rib Lake on Thursday evening, Feb. 24. ¶ Selection of Rib Lake as the site of the meeting was made by Society members at a meeting in Medford last week. Ray Blakeslee, acting president, said the time and location will be announced later. ¶ Other business disposed of at the meeting last week, in the agriculture room at the courthouse, included the naming of a nominating committee for selection of a slate of candidates for the board of directors. They are Mrs. Clifford Curran, Whittlesey; Mrs. Clarence Lundeen, Westboro; and Mrs. John |
| 2/17/1966 | Businesses | THE NEW LOOK ON MAIN STREET "One of the older structures in the village, the Rib Lake Bakery building, has a completely new look, following completion of remodeling of the exterior. ¶ The old brick facing of the building, which was constructed many years ago by the McRae family, was removed, as it was crumbling, the entire structure insulated, and a new front, windows and siding installed. ¶ The building served as a bakery, restaurant and rooming house when operated by the McRaes for many years. Louis Heglmeier, who had operated bakeries in Medford and Menomonie, reopened the establishment in November, 1955, and has operated it continuously since then." |

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| 2/17/1966 | Law | BURGLARIES AT TWO RURAL TAVERNS ARE SOLVED "Burglaries at two area rural taverns on Tuesday night of last week were solved with the arrest of three youths - two of them were arraigned in juvenile court at Medford. ¶ Allen Viegut, 18, Rib Lake, was charged in two felony counts of breaking and entering when arraigned in county court before Judge Peter J. Seidel, and Attorney Gene Krug was appointed by the court to represent him. Unable to provide bond, he was remanded to the custody of Sheriff Marlin Curran pending formal arraignment on the charges. ¶ The other 17-year-old youths, one living in the village and one in the rural area, were arraigned in juvenile court. One was on parole from the state school for boys at Wales. His parole was revoked by Virgil |
| 2/17/1966 | Clubs/Orders | MRS. JOE DANIELS IS NEW CLUB PRESIDENT "Mrs. Joe Daniels was elected president of the Twentieth Century Club at a meeting held Tuesday evening at the home of Mrs. Robert Becker. She will succeed Mrs. Ernest Sunderlin, and take office at the first meeting in the fall. ¶ Other officers named were Mrs. Edwin Thums, vice president; Mrs. Duane D. Powers, secretary; and Mrs. Frank Hesse, treasurer. ¶ The club voted to again sponsor locally the annual drive for funds for the American Cancer Society, and Mrs. Daniels was named to serve as co-chairman with Mrs. John Freeck, succeeding Mrs. Ray Voemastek, who asked to be relieved because of illness. ¶ New members welcomed were Mrs. Herbert Magnuson, Mrs. David Attwood, and Mrs. Wayne Bullis. ¶ Mrs. Keith Zintz had charge of the program, showing a motion picture of the Trees for Tomorrow camp at Eagle River, where she and other members of the club have attended workshop sessions for several years. ¶ Mrs. Lucille Hansen will be hostess for the next meeting on March 15." |
| 2/17/1966 | Obituary | MRS. MARTHA PAYNE BURIED ON TUESDAY "Funeral services were held Wednesday at 10:00 a.m. for Mrs. Martha Payne, 52, a long-time resident of the Wood Lake community, who died at her home there early Monday morning after a long illness. ¶ The Rev. Werner Hemmelgarn officiated, and burial was in the family lot at Lakeview Cemetery. ¶ The services were at St. John the Baptist Church. ¶ Neighbors served as pallbearers: Peter Kauer, Joseph Kauer, John Kauer, Frank Fuchs, Clayton Kauer, and Lawrence Van Hecker. ¶ The body was in state at the Mannel Funeral Home from 4:00 p.m. Thursday until the time of the funeral. ¶ The former Martha Miklautsch was born in Milwaukee on Nov. 1, 1913, and came to the Rib Lake area when she was about 4 years old. She had lived at Wood Lake since about 1943. ¶ Surviving are two brothers, Otto Miklautsch, Milwaukee; and |

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| 2/17/1966 | Church - Lutheran - St. John's | LUTHERAN PASTOR TAKES NEW CALL "Members of St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church at Rib Lake and Zion's Evangelical Lutheran Church at Spirit, will hold a special meeting on Sunday at 2:00 p.m. at the Rib Lake church to consider a call for a new pastor to succeed the Rev. Henry C. Gieschen. ¶ The Rev. Mr. Gieschen, who has served the two churches since 1956, has accepted a call to the Evangelical Lutheran Church at Hamburg, north and west of Wausau. ¶ Schedule of services will be changed this weekend as a result of the Rev. Mr. Gieschen's departure. There will be no confirmation class on Saturday. ¶ The Rev. Mr. Gieschen came to the local circuit from Winimac, Indiana, in October, 1956. He is a third generation pastor, both his father and grandfather having served the Lutheran Church. ¶ A native of Milwaukee, he attended Northwestern College at Watertown, and finished his theological studies at Concordia Seminary in Springfield, Illinois. He served congregations in Minnesota and Nebraska, before going to Indiana." |
| 2/17/1966 | Rib Lake Herald & Rib Lake - Village | FUND DRIVE [For the past year the editor has made weekly progress reports on a fund drive to construct new toilets at the village park.] "A mid-February spurt put the fund pretty close to the \$500 mark over the weekend. Cash on hand and in the bank Monday night was \$496.50. ¶ The State of Ohio got off the list on Thursday, just after last week's paper came out. Hilda Hagen of Cleveland sent \$2, apparently having seen our previous list of doubtful states. ¶ "Am enclosing a check for the project at the park from the beautiful State of Ohio," Mrs. Hagen wrote. ¶ Dipptdog Waldhardt, having run out of other tickets, went out Saturday morning and reported at noon, with \$14 in cold cash. ¶ He had started his little fund with \$2 in his own pocket, and then talked the following into contributions: Robert McCumber, Wausau, Rib Lake Coast-to-Coast Store; Village President George Buksa; Dale Aldridge, Wausau; Norman Kutzke; Tom Gozic, Wausau; B.S. Cepartus, Waukegan, Illinoi (\$2); George Gulish; Ed Diagle, Tomahawk Oil Man; and Gilbert Steen, Chicago. |
| 2/17/1966 (cont) | Rib Lake Herald & Rib Lake - Village (cont) | ¶ Dippydog also conned the park and ice cream man out of an "advertising donation" of a gallon of ice cream - then sold it for \$1 and turned in the money. ¶ George's Go-go Tap also turned in \$3 from Norbert Brandner, the Medford insurance man, Bill and Hazel Willett, who were visiting here from Milwaukee, and Dewey Anderson, Eau Claire, the insulation man. ¶ Seeking greener pastures, Dippydog and brother, Lee, took a trip to Ogema Saturday afternoon. Contributors there were the Coach Tavern, the Nelson Store, Mattson Motors, and Ogema Locker, Al |

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| 2/17/1966 | War - Soldiers | KENNETH SYNOL IS CITED FOR HEROISM "Pfc. Kenneth Synol, son of Mrs. Bernice Synol, Rib Lake, has been awarded the air medal for heroism, as a result of his actions while on duty in Vietnam on Nov. 24, 1964. ¶ The citation, which has been received by his mother, says the award is for heroism while engaged in aerial flight in connection with military operations against a hostile force. ¶ "Pvt. Synol distinguished himself while flying his door-gunner on an armed UH-1B helicopter engaged in support operations in the vicinity of Phy My, Republic of Vietnam," the citation says. ¶ "His helicopter was one of two dispatched to provide air support for a friendly convoy that was being attacked by a large Viet Cong force. His aircraft made repeated low-level firing passes on the Viet Cong positions, and Pvt. Synol, completely heedless of his own personal safety, exposed himself to extremely heavy hostile anti-aircraft fire, to place accurate and effective suppressive fire into the insurgent forces. |
| 2/17/1966 (cont) | War - Soldiers (cont) | ¶ "When the pilot was injured and the helicopter heavily damaged by the intense ground fire, he calmly continued to keep the Viet Cong position under fire until he was certain that the aircraft was out of danger, then assisted the crew in stopping the pilot's bleeding. ¶ "His outstanding performance while faced with hostile fire contributed materially to the defeat of the Viet Cong force, and prevented further injuries to the crew or damage to the helicopter. His valorous actions are in keeping with the highest tradition of the military service and reflects great |
| 3/3/1966 | Hunting | PREDATOR HUNT CANCELLED "The one-postponed Predator Hunt at Phillips has finally been cancelled for the season because of lack of snow, the Phillips Lions Club announced Monday. ¶ John Slaby, president of the club, said present snow conditions make it impossible to stage a satisfactory hunt. ¶ The event, which was to have featured use of spotting aircraft, hound dogs, snowmobiles, walkie-talkies and other gimicks, was originally |
| 3/3/1966 | People & Spirit | GENE MEIER RETURNING AFTER TWO YEARS IN INDIA PEACE CORPS "Gene Meier, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Meier of Spirit, and a Rib Lake High School graduate, is in route to the United States after serving two years in India with the Peace Corps. He presently is traveling by boat via Thailand, Hong Kong, Tokyo and Hawaii, and will fly to the United States from Honolulu, expecting to arrive here in April. ¶ Before leaving India, Meier was featured in an article which appeared in the January 23 issue of the Times of India, the country's largest daily newspaper." |
| 3/3/1966 | Westboro & Agriculture & Businesses | FOUR LAABS CHEESE FACTORIES CLOSE "Unable to meet a payroll of \$120,000, to an estimated 435 patrons for milk delivered in the past month, the Laabs Cheese Company, of Curtiss, Saturday discontinued operation at its four cheese producing plants in Curtiss, Westboro, Willard and Merrill. ¶ The company has been receiving an estimated 140,000 pounds of milk daily from producers in the three-county area where its plants are located. ¶ At a special meeting of more than 400 plant patrons at Abbotsford last Friday night, Attorney Jack Nikolay, Abbotsford, counsel for the Laabs Company, announced the plant closing. ¶ Over-expansion of plant facilities, including an expensive whey-drying facility, which undermined the firm's capital structure, were reasons cited by Nikolay for the suspension of operations. ¶ Present at the meeting were representatives of other area dairy plants who made |

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| 3/3/1966 (cont) | Westboro & Agriculture & Businesses (cont) | ¶ He said the Laabs plants have a book value in excess of \$400,000, against which there is a real estate mortgage of \$154,000. Sale of the properties, he pointed out, could produce sufficient revenue to pay off money due patrons, and effect a possible resumption of operations. ¶ A surety bond to the Laabs Company on deposit with the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, is only \$440,000. Such bonds, it is understood, are supposed to be sufficient to cover a month's payroll for milk. ¶ The Laabs family name has been a prominent one in central Wisconsin dairy |
| 3/17/1966 | Law & People | FRANK FILAS HIRED AS COUNTY POLICE RADIO OPERATOR "Members of the Taylor Co. Law Enforcement Committee Monday night hired Frank Filas, 36, Rib Lake, to fill the position in the sheriff's office at Medford as radio operator and for ambulance service. He replaces Officer Ray Meyer, who was named county traffic officer upon the resignation of Officer Marvin Egle. The latter is receiving training for state highway patrol officer. ¶ He graduated Rib Lake High School, Filas served in the Army from 1963 until May, 1965. Since that |
| 3/17/1966 | Obituary & Rusch | FORMER RESIDENT BURIED "Oscar Rusch, Phelps, a former Rib Lake resident, passed away Mar. 6 at a hospital in Phelps after a week's illness. ¶ Mr. Rusch was born Sept. 9, 1890, at Fairchild, and came to Rib Lake at the age of 5. He was married to Rose Frimote (sic) at Mellen May 5, 1912. ¶ Survivors are his wife, Rose; a daughter, Evelyn, Mrs. Lawrence Luger, Land O'Lakes; and a son, Howard, Menominee Falls. Also surviving are a brother, Herman, Milwaukee; a sister, Bertha Kurth, Milwaukee; Hattie Johnson, Cornell; and Anna Bleck, Rib |
| 3/17/1966 | Physicians | DR. S.F. HESSE NAMED TO HOSPITAL COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATION "Dr. Sigfried F. Hesse of Rib Lake was named to Memorial Hospital of Taylor County Administrative Committee at the medical staff meeting last week. Serving with him are Dr. Edward Regehr, Athens physician, who was elected president of this staff, and Dr. Walther Meyer, Medford, outgoing president. ¶ Other officers are Dr. Mahmood Mirhoseine, Medford, vice president; and Dr. James R. Keuer, Medford, secretary. ¶ The medical staff includes Dr. H. Brister, Wausau, radiologist; Dr. Robert Carter, Lester Nystrom, Keuer, Meyer, and Mayor Hosiene, Medford; Dr. Hesse, Rib Lake; |
| 3/17/1966 (cont) | Physicians (cont) | The courtesy medical staff includes Dr. Joseph Enzinger of Park Falls; Dr. Raymond Nystrom of Medford, and Dr. Thomas Phillips of Owen. And the consulting medical staff includes Dr. H.W. Christensen, Wausau, urology; Dr. William Braun Merrill orthopedics; Dr. O.R. Kelly Wausau pathology; and Dr. Thomas Miller Wausau |
| 3/17/1966 | Westboro & Businesses | BEN SEIDELS SELL WESTBORO IGA CORNER STORE "The corner IGA store at Westboro, owned and operated by Mr. and Mrs. Ben Seidel for 17 years, has been sold to Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Peterson of Medford. ¶ The business transaction includes the real estate, as well as the business, the Petersons to occupy the living quarters on the second floor of the store building. ¶ The Seidels, with the help of their son, Bernard, Jr., had run the entire operation. In making the announcement about the sale, the Seidels stated their plans for the future are indefinite." |

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| 3/24/1966 | Obituary & Agriculture | ANTHONY HOHL, RETIRED FARMER, BURIED MONDAY "Services were held at 9:30 a.m. Monday from the Mannel Funeral Home, and at 10:00 a.m. at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, for Anthony Hohl, 72, a former Rib Lake resident, who died suddenly Friday at his home in Baraboo. ¶ The Rev. Werner Hemmelgarn officiated, and burial was in the Lakeview Cemetery. ¶ Pallbearers were Anton Seidel, Carl Seidel, Leonard Seidel, Bernard Seidel, Fred Masch, and Adolph Zellmer. ¶ Mr. Hohl was born in Indiana on Jan. 8, 1894, and came to Taylor County in his early youth. He operated a farm south of Rib Lake for many years, prior to his retirement in 1956, when he moved to Baraboo. ¶ He was married to Agatha Seidel at Rib Lake on Aug. 19, 1921. ¶ Surviving are the widow, two sons, Harvey Hohn, Milwaukee; and Francis Hohl, Baraboo; two daughters, Cecilia, Mrs. William |
| 3/24/1966 | Law | DRIVER IN COURT TOLD TO REMAIN OUT OF COUNTY "A heavy penalty was assessed against Richard Fiarito, 30, West Chicago, when he was arraigned in county court at Medford Tuesday morning on a charge of driving his car too fast for conditions. ¶ Judge Peter J. Seidel, taking cognizance of the defendant's previous record, assessed a fine of \$200 and costs, plus 60 days in jail. ¶ The jail sentence was suspended on the condition that Fiarito leave the county immediately and does not return within a year. In case he does return, he will be in contempt of court and will serve the jail sentence automatically. ... ¶ At about 2:30 o'clock Monday morning, Fiarito was driving a car west on Hwy 102, and as it neared the Hwy C intersection, skidded more than 200 feet and ¶ The Fiarito car was almost totally demolished, and the driver was thrown from the vehicle. When the radiator started to steam, passerbys thought it was burning and the Rib Lake Volunteer Fire Dept. truck made a run to the scene. ¶ Fiarito was taken to Memorial Hospital at Medford for treatment of a leg bruise and other injuries, and remained there overnight. He was arrested on a traffic charge as he left the hospital. George Ehlert, county traffic |
| 3/24/1966 (cont) | Law (cont) | |
| 3/24/1966 | Health | VOLUNTEER DONORS FOR BLOOD BANK NEEDED "Area volunteers are again being sought to give blood at the quarterly Rib Lake blood drive session to be held at the clinic building from 2:00 until 5:30 p.m. next Wednesday, March 31. ¶ The local solicitation for this blood bank is being conducted by the Rib Lake Commercial and Civic Club, Lehman-Clendenning Post of the American Legion, and the Town of Rib Lake. ¶ In connection with the approaching session, Francis P. Schaack, the local chairman and coordinator, cleared one point, which apparently has been misunderstood in the past. ¶ If an individual goes to the hospital and needs blood, it will be given to him. But, if he wishes to have it charged to the Rib Lake blood bank, it must first be authorized by Schaack. ¶ If the request is granted, the individual, or his family, must then solicit blood donors, if possible, to replace in the Rib Lake area bank the amount that has been used..." |
| 3/31/1966 | Schools | EIGHT ADVANCE IN MUSIC FESTIVAL AT TOMAHAWK "Eight entries in the district solo and ensemble music festival at Tomahawk last Saturday won first ratings in Class A, and as a result, will participate in the state festival at Eau Claire on April 30. ¶ Four of the contestants, Bethany Upjohn, Sally Krings, Karen Niggemann, and Penny Blomberg, qualified for further competition with their piano solos. ¶ The other first places were awarded to Bethany and Tom Upjohn, piano duet; Myra Hoffmann, bass clarinet; Kennth Freiboth and Marlene Niggemann, saxophone duet; and Sherryl Sackmann and Bethany Upjohn, flute duet. ¶ Other first awards were to LuAnn Hoffmann, Class C cornet; Tom Upjohn, Class B piano; and Karen Niggemann, Class C clarinet. Second awards |

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| 3/31/1966 (cont) | Schools (cont) | ¶ Other participants were Linda Hoffmann, Class B flute, third; Karen Niggemann, Class B piano, third; and Bullis and Patrick, Class A vocal duet, fourth. ¶ Robert Lightfoot is the High School music director, and accompanied the students to Tomahawk." |
| 3/31/1966 | Schools | VOLLEYBALL TIME FOR RIB LAKE HIGH SCHOOL REDMEN "Rib Lake's redmen have launched their 1966 volleyball season with a solid group of returning players, plus a promising bunch of newcomers, Coach Jim Linna reports. ¶ Returning from last year's team are Duane Brahmer, Ken Steinman, Dennis Steinman, and Dan Steinman, plus John Roiger, Mike Linzner, Jim Manville and Bill Meyer, all bidding for starting spots. ¶ Randy Powers, Gary Donaldson, Mike Coleman and Jim Marschke are the newcomers... Coach Linna says the redmen have a very |
| 3/31/1966 | Obituary | C.W. MATTOX BURIED "Committal services were held at Lakeview Cemetery recently for Clarence W. Mattox, 73, a former resident of the community, who died at a Green Bay Hospital. The Rev. Willam Warner officiated. ¶ His family, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Mattox, moved to a homestead on James Lake in 1893, when Clarence was a year old. They moved into Rib Lake in 1941. ¶ In Oct. 1942, he moved to Green Bay, where he was employed as a steel worker. He worked on all three of the television towers in Green Bay, and on many other high buildings in Wisconsin and Upper Michigan, retiring the spring of 1960. He had farmed and logged when a younger man in this |
| 4/7/1966 | Clubs/Orders | KEITH ZINTZ, NEW LEADER OF CIVIC, COMMERCIAL CLUB "Keith Zintz, High School Agriculture Instructor, was named president of the Rib Lake Commercial and Civic Club at the monthly dinner meeting at the Little Bohemia Café. He succeeds Frank Yanko. ¶ Harold Zielke was named vice president, and Jack Wolter was re-elected secretary-treasurer. ¶ Members of the committee in charge of the high school sports recognition dinner, to be held on April 16, reported that tickets for the event are still available. Mark Zellich, Wausau radio and television sports commentator, will be the speaker. ¶ The club voted to dissolve its dam committee, which had charge of the new rebuilding of the dam and dikes at the Rib Lake outlet. Since the project was completed with the |
| 4/7/1966 (cont) | Clubs/Orders (cont) | ¶ Leroy Stewart, Kenneth Mannel, and Zintz were appointed to a committee to arrange for Rib Lake representation in the district legion parade at Thorp on May 22. ¶ The club also will be represented at a conference between officers, as well as representatives of members communities of the Lucky 13 Association. State highway officials from Madison will confer with a group at Club Elorene on May 4 concerning future plans for Highway 13 " |
| 4/7/1966 | Rib Lake - village & Rib Lake Herald | FOUNDATION CONTRIBUTES \$100 TO LAKEVIEW PARK REST ROOM FUND "The fund enjoyed its best week yet, when it was augmented by total contributions of \$106. That brings the total to \$634.50. ¶ The biggest contribution was a check for \$100, received from the Charles W. Wright Foundation of Badger Meters, Inc., a Milwaukee firm. ¶ The check was a memorial to the late Blake Bokath, a Rib Lake native, who, with his family, had used Lakeview Park extensively as a camping site. ¶ His widow, Mrs. Audrey Bokath, is an employee of Badger Meters, which manufactures meters. The Village of Rib Lake is a customer of the firm. ¶ Mrs. Bokath |
| 4/7/1966 (cont) | Rib Lake - village & Rib Lake Herald (cont) | ¶ "Dear Audrey" the letter said, "The trustees of the Charles W. Wright Foundation have favorably considered your request for a memorial to be given in the name of your deceased husband to the City of Rib Lake, Wisconsin, to help provide funds for a park facility. We understand that park is known as Lakeview Park. ¶ "I am pleased to enclose the Foundation's check for \$100 for this purpose and request that you turn it over to the proper officials at |

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| 4/14/1966 | Obituary | FREDERICK SCHWARZROCK, FORMER RESIDENT, DIES AT OSHKOSH "Services were held at 10:30 a.m. Saturday at the Mannel Funeral Home for Frederick Schwarzrock, 81, a former Rib Lake resident, who died at Oshkosh. ¶ The Rev. Luther Jacobson of Ogema officiated, and burial was in the Lakeview Cemetery. ¶ Pallbearers were Arthur Mittwoch, F.P. Schaack, George Buksa, Gerald Traczewitz, Ed Karlau, and Orlin R. Thompson, Portage. His body was in state at the Mannel Funeral Home from noon Friday until the service. ¶ Mr. Schwarzrock was born in Russia on July 18, 1887, and came to the United States in 1905, settling in Rib Lake. He was a carpenter and lived at several locations in the country, practicing his trade, and returning here from time to time. As a young man, he also had lived in South Africa. ¶ He was a member of the old Rib Lake Blue Lodge of the Masons, |
| 4/14/1966 | Environment & Rib Lake - Village | DOWN THE ROAD "The leak in the dike has been plugged. ¶ It wasn't done by a little Dutch boy with his arm, as the old poem recounts, but by three big fellows of Polish extraction - Village President George Buksa, Frank Filas and Stanley Szaflarski. And they didn't use their arms, except figuratively. ¶ The new dikes, dam and spillway at the Rib River outlet to Rib Lake seemed to hold up pretty well during the winter, but when late winter rains and warmer weather came, some low places developed, and some of the water which had been accumulated to give the lake a nice level, started to escape. ¶ Filas, now county radio operator [for the sheriff's dept.], who had a day off Monday, took his caterpillar tractor to the scene and they started to drive in some pilings, augmenting it with two wooden barricades, then filling the intervening 5-foot spaces with sandbags, then more sandbags to the rear! ¶ |
| 4/21/1966 | Obituary | JOSEPH WUDI, SR., IS BURIED "Services were held last Friday at 9:15 a.m. from the Mannel Funeral Home, and at 10:00 a.m. at St. Ann's Church, Town of Greenwood, for Joseph Wudi, Sr., 88, a Town of Greenwood pioneer. ¶ Mr. Wudi died the previous Tuesday evening at the Golden Age Nursing Home, where he had lived since January of this year. ¶ The Rev. Warner Hemmelgarn officiated, and burial was in St. Ann's Cemetery. Pallbearers were grandsons, Dennis Steinman, Daniel Steinman, Russell Wudi, Tom Wudi, Randy Gengler, and Ronald Ivacic. ¶ Mr. Wudi was born in Austria on Mar. 16, 1878, and came to the United States with his family when he was 3 years old. They settled first in Chelsea, later moved to the Town of Greenwood, homesteading the farm now occupied by |
| 4/21/1966 | Obituary | MRS. ELAINE BYLINA "Funeral services were held Monday morning in Tucson, Arizona, for Mrs. Michael Bylina, 33, who died the previous Wednesday at her home after a lingering illness. ¶ Mrs. Bylina was the former Elaine Budimlija, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mike Budimlija, Route 1, Rib Lake. She was born here and attended local schools prior to her marriage to Mr. Bylina at Chicago on April 21, 1951. They moved to Arizona a year later..." |

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| 4/21/1966 | Westboro | WESTBORO SCOOP By Vienna Lucia "Mrs. Mary Kaye drove to Plymouth Sunday to spend the week with her daughter and family. Louie will drive there Friday, and they will attend a wedding of her nephew, Mark Chisholm, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Chisholm, Plymouth. ¶ Mrs. Vern Everson spent last Saturday in Madison at a school conference. ¶ Mrs. Rose Woszynski, Elgin, Illinois, spent the weekend with the Dvoraks, and also attended the junior prom. ¶ Joe Soper, Elgin, Illinois, spent the weekend with his folks, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Soper. He also attended the Westboro prom. ¶ Mr. and Mrs. Louie Knotek of Rib Lake visited Jake Bursick Monday. ¶ It seems like every time you step into the Corner Store, it had another face lifting. It will be a regular super-duper by the time Joan and Doug Peterson get through with it all." |
| 4/28/1966 | Fire & Rib Lake Herald | CONSERVATION DEPARTMENT THANKS NEWSPAPERS FOR 'GREEN EDITION' "This edition is a forest fire prevention symbol that we, of the Forest Protection Division and the United States Forest Service, want to present to you. ¶ The Rib Lake Herald has gone through a lot of time and expense in presenting this paper to you." |

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| 4/28/1966 | Businesses & People | TRAILS END RESORT "On Wood Lake - come to camp, picnic, swim, fish, shoot, or for a restful vacation. Trailer sites, mobile home parking, Route 1, Rib Lake, Wis." |
| 4/28/1966 | People | PHYLLIS THUMS IS BRIDE OF KOLECHECK "Making their home at Medford are Mr. and Mrs. Michael B. Kolecheck, who were married at 11:15 a.m. on April 16, at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, with the Rev. Werner Hemmelgarn officiating. ¶ The bride is the former Phyllis Jane Thums, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Thums, Route 1, Rib Lake, and the groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kolecheck, Route 1, Westboro. ¶ The bride wore a floor-length gown of organza over satin, with a satin-accented waist and long tapered sleeves. It had a stitched design on the bodice and skirt, with a detachable train from the shoulders, and a large bow at the top and end of the train. She carried a bouquet of red sweetheart roses, set off with tiny white flowers and satin streamers |
| 4/28/1966 (cont) | People (cont) | ¶ Both bride and groom attended Rib Lake High School. He is employed by the Farmers Elevator in Medford. ¶ Guests for the wedding came from Gilman, Milwaukee, Chicago, Stetsonville, Dorchester, and Abbotsford, as well as from the local area." |
| 4/28/1966 | People & Rusch | DARLENE LARSEN IS SPRING BRIDE OF PRIVATE ALFRED UNICK "Miss Darlene N. Larsen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Knop, became the bride of Alfred L. Unick, son of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Kutzke, at a ceremony Saturday at 2:30 p.m. in St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church. The Rev. Marvin W. Zenk officiated, and the bride was given in marriage by her father. ¶ Phillip Hokanson, Ogema, a soloist, sang "O Perfect Love" and the "Lord's Prayer," accompanied by Mrs. Margaret Christianson, organist. ¶ Miss Larsen has been employed in Milwaukee, and the groom is stationed at Fort Hood, Texas, with the United States Army..." |
| 4/28/1966 | Rib Lake Herald | BORROWING IS A NASTY HABIT! STEALING IS A SIN! "But we do have a soft spot in our hearts for folks who borrow, or even snatch, their neighbor's copy of THE RIB LAKE HERALD. ¶ They may be careless, or possibly slow on the draw, where the pocketbook is concerned, but they know true value when they see it. ¶ Possibly they'll reform, someday, and subscribe for their own copy of the Rib Lake Herald. Lots of folks have seen the light, because The Herald subscription list is at the highest point in its nearly 68 years. ¶ So if you're a borrower, |

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| 4/28/1966 | Clubs/Orders | KLEMM LEADER OF SPORTSMAN'S CLUB "Bernard Klemm, Route 2, Medford, veteran office-holder in the Chelsea Conservation Club, was elected president of the club at an organizational meeting recently, following the CCC annual meeting at the clubhouse in the Town of Chelsea. Klemm succeeds Irwin Frischmann, a charter officer. ¶ Other officers include Robert Sackmann, Town of Deer Creek, vice president; Ed Loertscher, Medford, secretary, a past president; and Fred Long, Medford, treasurer, having served as secretary the past year. ¶ Named as directors at the annual meeting were Norb Kaja, Whittlesey, and Loertscher...¶ During the course of the meeting, the treasurer of the auxiliary to Chelsea Conservation Club, Mrs. Marvin Leader, gave a report on the activities of |
| 4/28/1966 | Agriculture & Businesses | FARM NOTES "Sign-up for the 1966 feed grain program in Taylor County has greatly exceeded the sign-up under the 1965 feed grain program; Louis Kasperek, Chairman, Taylor Agricultural Stabilization Service County Committee, reported that 416 Taylor County farmers signed intentions to participate in the program this year. In 1965, 299 farmers signed up. The 1966 participation is over 40% above the 1965 participation. ¶ The feed grain acres signed up for diversion total 3,762 acres for the county. This is up 1,000 acres from 1965...¶ The farmers signed up intend to divert from production 3,762 acres of corn. In addition, they have agreed not to increase the acreage of other small grains or row crops on their farms. ¶ In the State of Wisconsin, farmers signed up to divert |
| 5/5/1966 | Obituary | ARCHIE CLENDENNING, RETIRED LUMBERMAN, IS STRICKEN SUDDENLY "Funeral services were held at 2:00 p.m. Tuesday for Archie J. Clendenning, 71, member of an early Rib Lake family, who died suddenly at Watersmeet, Michigan, where he had lived for the past several years. ¶ The Rev. R.W. Neal, Camp Forest Springs, officiated, and burial was in Lakeview Cemetery. ¶ Pallbearers were Vernon Olson, Clifford Waldhardt, John Steen, Jack Kluskley, Herman Monske, and Martin Schinker. ¶ He was a retired lumberman and woods worker, and also at one time, had operated the Maple Knoll Tavern, and several other taverns and restaurants in the area. ¶ The |
| 5/5/1966 (cont) | Obituary (cont) | ¶ Surviving are two sons, Charles Clendenning, and Melvin [Spike] Clendenning, Rib Lake; two brothers, Everett, Wood, Wisconsin; and Andrew, Chicago; 5 grandchildren; 3 sisters, Ethel, Mrs. William Diesing, Chicago; Mrs. Catherine McDonald, Eau Claire; and Margaret, Mrs. Leonard Misna, Chicago. ¶ He was preceded in death by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Peter J. Clendenning, and a son, Lee, killed at Pearl Harbor in December, 1941." |
| 5/5/1966 | Spirit & People | SPIRIT ROUND-UP - GERMAN SETTLEMENT "Correction - I have been informed that the bulk milk truck did make its full route with the help of tractors and men, which saved the inconvenience of canning the milk. ¶ Gene Meier is helping a group of Peace Corps volunteers with their survival training course in an uninhabited area of one of the islands. A jeep trail and food trails are the only means of transportation. His address; Peace Corps Training Center, Hilo, Hawaii....¶ Church services at Zion Lutheran Church are at 10:30 a.m., with Sunday school at 9:30. ¶ Mrs. Lavern Hoffman will entertain the Ladies Aid at the Parish Hall on Wednesday of this week, May 11. Flowers and shrubs will be planted that day as is usual at the May meeting. ¶ Members of the Recreation Club enjoyed a |

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| 5/5/1966 | Westboro | WHAT'S DOING AT WESTBORO - WESTBORO SCOOP By Vienna Lucia "Several have taken a ride to Ashland for smelt. The ones that got some felt they were pretty precious, considering the weather. ¶ St. Theresa's Church smorgasboard Sunday was a big success. Everybody said they enjoyed the dinner. Nearly 100 people gathered at the Wallace Kennery home Sunday to help Elina Niemi celebrate her 86th birthday. They included children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren of Mrs. Niemi. ¶ Al and Grampa Rindt left last Friday and returned Sunday evening from a trip to Fond du Lac to visit Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Rindt, and also friends from Milwaukee and Sheboygan. ¶ The Homemakers enjoyed an evening out at the Club Florena on Wednesday..." |
| 5/26/1966 | Clubs/Orders | LIONS CLUB "A crowd of 100 or more is expected Saturday night for the "Charter Night" ceremony for the new Rib Lake Lions Club. ¶ Seating for the event has been transferred from the village industrial building to the National Hotel, it having been proved to be impossible to arrange for private catering at the village building, due to many other holiday weekend activities. ¶ Delegations are expected from Dorchester, Merrill, Wausau, Tomahawk, Woodruff and Ogema. Reservations for 17 from the new Catawba-Kennan club have been received by George |
| 6/2/1966 | Rib Lake Herald & RLLC | DOWN THE ROAD By Gene Clifford "Anyone got a nice big old pine tree they'd like to cut down? If so, speak up. ¶ When the lumber company closed down 18 years ago last spring, two of the last big pine trees cut were turned over to the village as historical remembrances. ¶ One was sawed into lumber and used - the other was preserved until 1952 - year of the Diamond Jubilee, suitably engraved and placed on concrete blocks, at a site which now is just behind the new post office building. ¶ With a new sidewalk going in north of Highway 102, and between McComb Ave. and Pearl Street, it can be said that the engraving on the old log has faded out, and that the log itself is rotting away, because of the original lack of proper preservative. ¶ So who will know the difference, and what practical difference could it make, if we found another nice pine log, engraved it again properly, and then properly preserved it for posterity?" |
| 6/9/1966 | People | TWO FROM RIB LAKE AWARDED DEGREES "Two students from Rib Lake were among the 3,600 students who were candidates for degrees at the University of Wisconsin June commencement at Madison this year, held at Wisconsin's historic Camp Randall Monday morning. ¶ They, and the degrees for which they are candidates, are Dennis E. Schlais, Master of Business Administration; and Joseph George Zondlo, Doctor of Medicine. ¶ Both are |
| 6/23/1966 | Rib Lake - Village & Post Office | NEW POST OFFICE "Old Glory was raised on the flag pole of the new post office building for the first time by the American Legion Color Guard on Memorial Day, as Lehman-Clendenning Post sponsored the annual Memorial Day services. ¶ Personnel of the Legion Unit included, left to right, Harry Olson, Elwood Bleck, Commander of the Firing Squad: Willard Gnotke, Adolph Vlach, Allen Gnotke, Post Commander, Southwell Rosenfeldt, Ronald |

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| 6/23/1966 | Law | NOTICE OF MEETING OF TOWN BOARD FOR LAYING OUT HIGHWAY TO ENCLOSED LAND "Whereas, Earl Kilby and Eileen Kilby of the Town of Rib Lake, Taylor County, Wisconsin, have presented to the undersigned town board of the Town of Rib Lake, their affidavit satisfying us that they are owners of real estate within said town described as follows: Government Lot, Section 10, Township 33 North, Range 2 East; and that the same is shut off from all highways, other than waterways, by being surrounded on all sides by water (James Lake) and by real estate belonging to other persons, namely: Youth Gospel Crusade, Inc., a foreign corporation of RFD, Westboro, Wis., and Joint School District #1, Village and Town of Rib Lake, Taylor County, and Towns of Hill and Spirit, Price County, and they are unable to purchase from any of said owners a right of way over or through their |
| 6/23/1966 (cont) | Law (cont) | ¶ NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that we will meet at the town hall in the Town of Rib Lake on the 11th day of July, 1966, at 1:15 p.m. and will examine the premises and herein consider all proofs and reasons which may be offered for or against said application; ¶ NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that, if, at the conclusion of said hearing, we, in our discretion, determine to grant said application, we shall then and there proceed to lay out a public highway of not more than three, nor less than two, rods in width to the real estate herein the afore-described, and shall assess the damages to the owner or owners of the real estate over and through which the same shall be laid, and the |
| 7/7/1966 | Politics & Spirit | CANDIDATE FOR ASSEMBLY "Carl H. Rhody, Chairman of the Town of Spirit, Price County, has announced he will be a candidate for the Democratic nomination for state assemblyman for Rusk, Sawyer and Price Counties, one of the largest assembly districts in the state. ¶ Rhody said he is running because "it is vital the district representative be truly concerned with the welfare of the north." ¶ Rhody, 55, is married and the father of 6 children, operates a 480-acre dairy and tree farm. He is widely experienced in town and county boards, and is a farm organization leader. ¶ Rhody was an unsuccessful candidate for the Democratic nomination for Price-Taylor County |
| 7/14/1966 | Environment & Rib Lake Fish & Game Assoc. | DOWN THE ROAD By Gene Clifford "Our own Rib Lake lived up to its reputation as a producer of the Finny Tribes of many species (and big ones, besides) on Wednesday morning when Al Mitchell, Sr. landed a whopper of a bass. ¶ Fishing amongst the lily pads of the southwest bay, with light spinning tackle, Al snagged onto a beast which tipped the scales at 5 pounds, 1/2 ounce, and extended the tape measure to 20-3/4" when entered in the fish |
| 7/14/1966 | Utilities | AN ORDINANCE GRANTING A FRANCHISE TO LAKE SUPERIOR DISTRICT POWER COMPANY TO CONSTRUCT AND MAINTAIN FACILITIES FOR THE DISTRIBUTION OF NATURAL GAS IN THE VILLAGE OF RIB LAKE. "The Village of Rib Lake hereby grants unto Lake Superior District Power Company, a Wisconsin Corporation, its successors and assigns, an exclusive franchise to construct and maintain facilities within said village for the distribution and sale of natural gas to customers within the said village, and for such purpose said company is authorized to enter upon and use and occupy the streets, alleys, bridges, avenues, and public grounds and places of said village to construct, lay, maintain, operate and extend their lines, through and thereunder, such mains, pipes, apparatus, equipment, and appliances as may be necessary or appropriate for the sale, distribution and delivery of natural gas to customers within the said village, subject, however, to the conditions hereinafter set forth." |

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| 7/14/1966 | Rib Lake Herald | LITTLE ADS "Here are those small but powerful little ads - Wanted - For Sale - For Rent - To Give Away - Business - Services - Lost-Found - Local rate - 8 cents per line. Minimum - 40 cents (paid in advance). 10 cents a line, 50 cents minimum, when charged." |
| 7/28/1966 | Schools | HAROLD ZIELKE NEW SCHOOL BOARD HEAD "Harold Zielke, Rib Lake, was elected president of the Board of Education of Joint School District #1 at a brief board meeting held following the annual district meeting in the high school gym Monday night. ¶ Zielke succeeds Joe Dums, Route 1, who was named vice president. Clerk George Thums and Treasurer Vernon Hanke, both of Rib Lake, were re-elected. ¶ Other board members were Carl Meier, Town of Spirit; Andrew Holzl, Route 1; and Wilbert Blomberg, Town of Hill. ¶ About 60 attended the meeting. Some thought the attendance poor, and there was a discussion how more voters might be attracted. The consensus seemed to be that the attendance was normal, in view of the fact there were no extremely controversial matters to be decided." |
| 8/4/1966 | Obituary | RUDOLPH E. HEIN, LIFE-LONG RESIDENT, DIES AT HOSPITAL "Services were held at the Mannel Funeral Home at 2:00 p.m. Wednesday for Rudolph Emil Hein, 74, a lifetime resident of the community. ¶ Mr. Hein was born in the Town of Rib Lake on Jan. 5, 1892, and attended rural schools. He operated a farm, worked for the RLLC for many years, and later worked at the Hurd mill in Medford before his retirement in 1959. ¶ He was |

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| 8/11/1966 | Obituary | FINAL RITES FOR "RUDY" KAPITZ "Funeral services were held at 10:00 a.m. Monday at St. John the Baptist Church for Rudolph Francis Kapitz, 62, member of an early Rib Lake family, who died at about noon the previous Thursday at St. Mary's Hospital in Wausau. ¶ The Rev. Werner Hemmelgarn officiated, and burial was in the Lakeview Cemetery. The pallbearers were Charles Clendenning, Melvin Clendenning, Vernon Olson, Walter Melaski, Irwin Stelling and Jerry Reinhardt. ¶ Rudy was born in Rib Lake on June 4, 1904, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Kapitz, the former and early land agent and businessman in the village. He attended the local schools, and worked as a livestock buyer and creamery agent here, and later worked at Richardson, North Dakota, and in Chicago. |
| 8/11/1966 (cont) | Obituary (cont) | ¶ He operated the old Premeau Tavern at Westboro during the war [WWII], returning here when the Little Bohemia Tavern and Bowling Alley was built by his brother, Millard [Satch]. He had been associated with the establishment since that time, and was widely known throughout the area.¶ He was married to Mary Heisler of Rib Lake on June 8, 1942. ¶ Surviving are the widow, three brothers, Millard and Arthur, Rib Lake; Leonard, Hebron, North Dakota; and five sisters; Ann, Mrs. Gottlieb Diede; Lydia, Mrs. David Diede, both of Hebron, North Dakota; Mildred, Mrs. Clayton Orttel; and Dorothy, Mrs. Al Kullas, both of Minneapolis; and Cinda, Mrs. Jacob Bursik, Westboro. ¶ The body was in state at the Mannel Funeral Home, and rosary services were held here Sunday evening." |
| 8/11/1966 | People | CURRAN-CLENDENNING "Jeanette Curran, Medford, and Melvin Clendenning, Rib Lake, were married Saturday at Taylor City, Minnesota. They will make their home here. The groom, retired warrant officer from the Army, is employed by Gem Products, and Mrs. Clendenning is Taylor County Registrar in Probate. ¶ The groom is the son of Mrs. Verna Clendenning, and the bride is a daughter of the Chester Currans." |
| 8/11/1966 | Physicians | S.F. HESSE, M.D. [Dr. Sigfried F. Hesse ran the following ad under service directory.] "S.F. Hesse, M.D., Physician-Surgeon, Rib Lake Clinic Building, Daily office hours - 9:30 a.m. to noon, and 1:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. Closed Saturday noon. Also open Friday nights. No office hours Wednesdays. Telephone as usual in case of emergency. Make appointments, when possible, please. Telephone 427-3855, Night 427-6765." |
| 8/11/1966 | Physicians | DR. D.D. POWERS, DENTIST [Dr. D.D. Powers ran the following ad just beneath that of Dr. Hesse.] "Dr. D.D. Powers, Dentist, office in residence. Office hours - 9:00 a.m. to 12:00, 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Open Friday evenings. Phone 427-6615 for appointments. Home phone 427-6382." |

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| 8/18/1966 | Clubs/Orders | LIONS CLUB TO COLLECT USED EYEGLASSES "A local collection of used eyeglasses has been started by the Rib Lake Lions Club as part of Lions International Program for Sight Conservation. ¶ Dick Upjohn is chairman of the local club's Sight Conservation Committee, and the used glasses may be left at the Upjohn store or at the Herald office, if more convenient. ¶ Used glasses collected by the thousands of Lions Clubs are sorted out and those usable are sent to the needy in foreign countries. ¶ The Rib Lake Lions Club has made a donation of \$40, which provided |
| 8/18/1966 | Clubs/Orders & Spirit | 4-H CLUB DOINGS, BUSY BEAVERS 4-H NEWS "The officers meeting was called to order by President Frank Waszkiewicz. Pledges were said to both flags, secretary and treasurer reports, and dues collected. Discussed was taking a tour of the Badger Breeder barns, the dairy members decided to go on August 9. ¶ The boys of the Club plan a booth at the Spirit Fair; the girls planning entertainment. ¶ The older members are going to solicit for the Spirit Fair on Aug. 18. Record books are due on Sept. 7. ¶ The next meeting is to be held at the Carl Meier home, either Aug. 22 or 23. Girls who are going to be in the dress review at Spirit are supposed to have their descriptions ready to hand in at the next meeting. ¶ Diane Lind gave a talk on "How to Get Perfect Results from Recipes," and Veronica Rhody gave a talk on "Different Kinds of Seam Finishes." ¶ Diane Lind and Luann Hoffmann told about |
| 8/25/1966 | Businesses & Rib Lake - Village | MILLARD KAPITZ SELLS THE "LITTLE BOHEMIA" "Sale of the Little Bohemia Tavern, Bowling Alley and Café, one of principal entertainment centers of the community for the past twenty years, was announced this week by Millard (Satch) Kapitz, the owner. ¶ Purchaser of the establishment on McComb Ave. is Steve's Little Bohemia, Inc., a corporation of which Steve Minarciny, formerly of LaGrange Park, Illinois, is the principal. ¶ The new owner will take possession of the establishment next Thurs., Sept. 1, to climax the sale, negotiations for which have been in progress for several weeks. A grand opening under the new management is planned for the near future. ¶ The new owner, who has been a summer visitor in the area for the past 35 years, is now living on the former Alfred Glenzer farm, east of the Fawn Valley School, which he owns. He also recently purchased the adjacent Walter |
| 8/25/1966 (cont) | Businesses & Rib Lake - Village (cont) | ¶ Minarciny is a relative of the former Minarcini (sic) family, which formerly lived in the area, being a nephew of Paul Minarcini and a cousin of Ronald Minarcini, who was a member of Rib Lake High School's famed 1951 basketball team. ¶ An experienced tavern operator and businessman, he was proprietor of an auto repair service and filling station in the Chicago area before coming here. Minarciny said he is tentatively planning some remodeling and alterations, and hopes to install automatic pin-setting equipment in the 4-lane bowling alleys eventually. ¶ The Little Bohemia was constructed in 1946 by Millard Kapitz, who has long been active in business, civic and athletic circles in the community. He had operated a tavern on the west side of McComb Ave., prior to purchasing the tavern, which had been operated at the site of the Little Bohemia for many years by the Marschke family. ¶ His |

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| 8/25/1966 (cont) | Businesses & Rib Lake - Village (cont) | ¶ Millard Kapitz served in the Navy during WWII, and as a past commander of the Rib Lake Legion Post, was player, and later manager, with some of Rib Lake's better semi-professional baseball teams, and active in business and civic organizations. ¶ He served the community as county supervisor for more than 27 years, and was chairman of the county board of supervisors for 14 years. He was re-elected to the post last spring, is now serving as second vice chairman of the board, and is a member of several important committees. ¶ He and Mrs. Kapitz, the former Velva Talbot, also operate Talbot's Resort on Willow Lake, near Tripoli. ¶ Satch is listed as vice president of the |
| 8/25/1966 | Politics & Rib Lake - Village | DOWN THE ROAD "Since it doesn't happen very often, and certainly hasn't happened in the past 18 years, a governor of the sovereign state of Wisconsin who appears in Rib Lake, deserves a picture in Rib Lake's leading newspaper. ¶ So we give you herewith, Honorable Warren P. Knowles, who graced us with his presence briefly on Monday. ¶ An explanation of the former likeness above. [A photo of Governor Knowles has been placed above that sentence.] The U.S. Mail failed to deliver the engraving of the informal photograph which we took with our trusty Polaroid, showing the governor, as well as two other campaigners, Under-sheriff Donny Underwood, who wants to be elected Sheriff, and Harold DeHart, Tomahawk, who wants to be Lincoln-Taylor County Assemblyman. ¶ The governor and his party, which included two campaigners listed, Woodrow Hodge of Medford, a county party chieftain, Elmer Taylor, and several others, appeared first at the shoe factory, at about quitting time, where the governor shook hands with a number of employees. |
| 8/25/1966 (cont) | Politics & Rib Lake - Village (cont) | ¶ The caravan then pulled up at The Herald office, where the greetings were cordial, and Governor Knowles and The Editor shook hands and smiled as the flashbulbs popped, to show there were no hard feelings over some recent differences of opinion on some things political, which were aired in this column. ¶ The Editor, incidentally, was the one without the hair. ¶ After the outside picture, which failed to arrive, was taken, the governor took off on a sashay down Main Street [McComb Ave.] with Elmer, stopping briefly at various business places, and shaking hands with voters. ¶ There were some minor disappointments as the Republican caravan headed out of town, toward Medford, where Governor Knowles was guest of honor at a sprightly reception at the Club Florena. |
| 8/25/1966 (cont) | Politics & Rib Lake - Village (cont) | ¶ Bruzo Rezutek, who was in Butch's Bar, got a handshake from the governor, but no opportunity to tell him about his recent accident and subsequent hospital bills; Dippydog Waldhard, who had promised to do it, didn't get to ask him when the state is going to give servicemen a bonus. ¶ And we didn't have a chance to enroll him in the Lakeview Park Restroom and Recreational Club, although he did admit, in not so many words, that he perpetually is in a club somewhat similar to our restroom association...." |

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| 9/1/1966 | Rib Lake - Village & Roads | NEW STREET FOR VILLAGE "Construction of a new street in the village, from STH 102 north to Landall Avenue, was approved by the Village Board of Trustees at a meeting last Tuesday. ¶ The street will be a continuation of Mill Lane, which extends south from the state highway through the old lumber company property. ¶ It will be at the approximate location, but slightly east of the north and south alley east of Main Street [McComb Ave.] - approximately 420 feet in length, and 30 feet in width. ¶ Recent filling of the area east of the alley has provided a suitable base for the new street. The thoroughfare, in effect, is expected to pay for itself eventually, through an increase in the state's annual allotment of highway aid to village streets. The village owns all of the property in question." |
| 9/15/1966 | Obituary & Rusch | WALTER KURTH STRICKEN "Relatives here received word Monday of the death at Milwaukee of Walter Kurth, 67, who had been in ill health for several years. Funeral arrangements have not been completed. Mr. Kurth was the husband of the former Bertha Rusch, member of an early Rib Lake family. He had been a frequent visitor here |
| 9/15/1966 | Obituary | CONRAD RODER, SR., IS BURIED MONDAY "Services were held at 1:00 p.m. Monday at the Mannel Funeral Home for Conrad Roder, Sr., 87, a long-time resident of the community, who died last Friday at the Golden Age Nursing Home. ¶ The Rev. R.E. Aden of Medford officiated, and burial was in the Chelsea Cemetery. ¶ Mr. Roder was born in Bavaria on April 11, 1879, and came to the United States with his family when he was a boy. The family settled at Medford, where he attended schools and later he came to the Town of Greenwood. He worked in lumber camps in his early days, and later farmed. ¶ He was married to Mary Mann at Trinity Lutheran Church at Whittlesey Sept. 12, 1916. She died Nov. 18, 1953. ¶ Surviving are a daughter, Catherine, Mrs. Melvin Rindt, Fond |
| 9/15/1966 | Law | TAVERN-KEEPER'S LICENSE REVOKED "Information on several court actions last week reached the Herald too late for publication. Chris Haecker, proprietor of the Nite Owl Tavern, pleaded guilty in county court to selling beer to an individual under 18 years of age, to permitting a minor under 18, who is not a member of his family, to sell beer, and to operating the tavern after the legal closing time. ¶ He was fined \$25 on each charge, and his tavern license was revoked, as a repeater. ¶ The complaint was signed by District Attorney John Olson. ¶ John Scott and Gary Floyd, both of Rib Lake, appeared in court on arson charges in connection with the burning of a garage |

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| 9/15/1966 (cont) | Law (cont) | ¶ In circuit court on Tuesday, Judge Allen Kenney of Superior presided on the morals case against Elaine Antrom, Peoria, Illinois, alias Ann Berry, a former Town of Westboro resident. ¶ She had pleaded not guilty when arraigned last spring, and left the state after being freed on bail. She was later arrested in Tucson, Arizona, and returned to Taylor County. Her bond was forfeited. ¶ She changed her plea to guilty and was sentenced to the state prison for |
| 9/15/1966 | Post Office | POST OFFICE DEDICATION SUNDAY "Rib Lake's new post office building, in use since June 1, will be dedicated formally next Sunday. ¶ The dedicatory service will be held in front of the new structure at Main Street [McComb Ave.] and STH 102 if weather permits....¶ All of the nearly 2,000 patrons of the postal service have received invitations to attend from Postmaster Verl A. Bokath...¶ The program will begin at 2:00 p.m. with music by the high school band, conducted by Ned Orthmann, the new music instructor, and the band will play several other numbers...Edward Prien, who served as chairman of the committee which arranged the program, will be master of ceremonies. Bokath will speak briefly, and George Buksa, village president, will give a brief address of |
| 9/15/1966 | Post Office & History 9/15/1966 | EARLY HISTORY OF U.S. MAIL SERVICE IN VILLAGE RECALLED BY MRS. STAR POWERS "A spanking new post office is "open for business" on the corner of Highway 102 and McComb Avenue, and from the time the ground was broken, and the footings went in, until now, little groups of folks gathered around to reminisce about post office matters. ¶ Back in the 1880's, after the mill went up in our village, and the machinery was moved in, a little company store was built in which was a company office and a little post office. The mail was carried to Rib Lake from Chelsea over an Indian trail by a boy named Johnny. At first he brought the mail only once a week, then twice, and finally three times a week, depending on weather. That is how the first mail came to Rib Lake. Later, in |
| 9/15/1966 (cont) | Post Office & History 9/15/1966 (cont) | ¶ According to records in the archives in Washington D.C., the first official post office was established in Rib Lake on June 12, 1883, with the appointment of Duncan McLennan as postmaster by President Garfield. Successive postmasters were: Samuel Hagen, Dec. 5, 1894. ¶ Duncan McLennan, Dec. 9, 1898. ¶ Addie B. McLennan, Dec. 12, 1912. ¶ John J. Voemastek, Feb. 25, 1914. ¶ Elwin J. McLeod, Jan. 29, 1923. ¶ Herman Jacob, Apr. 1, 1926. ¶ John J. Voemastek, July 1, 1934. ¶ Raymond J. Voemastek, July 15, 1942. ¶ Verl Bokath, June 11, 1943. ¶ When Herman Jacob was postmaster, stamps cost 2 cents and postal cards were 1 cent. Rib Lake's postal service has been housed in several buildings during its lifetime. It was once housed in a building located south of what is now the |
| 9/15/1966 (cont) | Post Office & History 9/15/1966 (cont) | ¶ Mr. Jacob would have to take the seat out of his smart touring car to get the mail in. And the hours were long, and in those days (Depression), they even took a pay cut, and you paid your own clerks out of your own salary, if you wanted help. ¶ When Jacob retired after two consecutive appointments as postmaster until 1934, John J. Voemastek served again under President Franklin D. Roosevelt. He served until Feb. 15, 1942. Postal clerks who served at various times under appointment were Barbara Schmock, Marcella Kenner, Carl Jacob, Carl Marschke, Emil Packenham, Myrtle Lehman, and Sue Voemastek. Gladys Voemastek Hyrd remembers that she didn't see much of |

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| 9/15/1966 | Politics | CITIZENS FORM GROUP TO BACK JOE SWEDA "A citizens-for-Sweda committee was organized by a group of Lincoln and Taylor County residents to promote the re-election of Assemblyman Joe Sweda. ¶ Serving as co-chairman of the committee will be Gene Clifford, editor and publisher of the Rib Lake Herald, Severre Tinglum, a Merrill attorney, and Gene Boushley, a Lincoln County dairy farmer, and is also an employee of the Lincoln Co. Highway Department. Mrs. Pat Shereda, Medford housewife, will be serving as secretary and treasurer. ¶ In making the announcement this week, the committee said that during the past four years, Sweda has "represented this district with vigor, honesty and conviction, and has voted on the merits of issues, regardless of political origin." ¶ Sweda is seeking his third term in the assembly..." |
| 10/6/1966 | Obituary | MRS. PAUL KASKE BURIED THURSDAY "Funeral services were held at 2:00 p.m. Tuesday at St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church for Mrs. Meta Sophia Kaske, 79, member of an early Rib Lake family. ¶ The Rev. Marvin Zank of Medford officiated, and burial was in Lakeview Cemetery. ¶ The pallbearers were Herman Monske, Herman Batzer, Emil Gnotke, Frank Becker, William Radtke, and Walter Winkler. ¶ The former Meta Freiboth was born in Hanover, Germany, Sept. 24, 1887, and came to the United States with her parents at the age of one year. She was married to the late Paul Kaske in 1907, and they farmed in the Town of Greenwood, moving to the village in 1917. ¶ Mr. and Mrs. Kaske had lived at the Golden Age Nursing Home since 1963...Surviving are two daughters; Mrs. Rose Shelley, Milwaukee; and Adeline, Mrs. Adolph Walbeck, Rib Lake; two sons; Rudolph Kaske, Park Falls; and Frank Kaske, Sturgeon Bay; 11 grandchildren, 23 great-grandchildren, and a brother, Fred Freiboth, Manitowoc." |
| 10/6/1966 | People | HAY RIDE PRANK LEADS TO INJURY OF THREE MEN "Lester Magnuson, Route 1, Ogema, and Louis Heiser, Jr., Route 1, Rib Lake, were fined \$100 and costs in Price County court at Phillips on charges of negligent handling of burning material. ¶ The charges were prepared by John Slaby, Price Co. District Attorney, after an investigation conducted by Sheriff Andrew Pilch and Deputy Fire Marshal - an aftermath of a practical joke which resulted in the injury of three men who had been on a hay ride party in the German Settlement area in the Town of Spirit. ¶ They had admitted having placed dynamite at the side of the road of the hay ride route, meaning to surprise the party of about 10 couples. ¶ A sputter fuse attached to the explosives attracted the attention of the hay ride |

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| 10/6/1966 (cont) | People (cont) | ¶ Harvey Rhody, 50, Route 1, Ogema, lost the sight of his right eye. He was treated at Tomahawk Hospital and later transferred to St. Mary's Hospital at Wausau. ¶ Richard Gordon, 34, Route 1, Rib Lake, was treated at the Rib Lake Clinic and released. ¶ The group had met at the Spirit Lake Tavern and had planned to return there for dancing, after the hay ride party, which had been an annual event for several years. ¶ Sheriff Pilch said the dynamite had been lit when the wagon, drawn by a tractor, was about a half-mile away, and that the prankers expected it to explode when the wagon was about a block from the site. It didn't explode on schedule, however." |
| 10/13/1966 | Businesses | NEW STANDARD AGENT "Appointment of Randall Weinke as Rib Lake Agent for Standard Oil Company was announced this week by F.W. Olmstead, Eau Claire, district manager. ¶ Weinke took over the business Monday, succeeding Gordon Nordgren, who had served as local agent for the past 11 years. ¶ Weinke is a native of Rib Lake, the son of the Alfred Weinkes, Route 1, and is temporarily living near Chelsea. He is married and has two sons. ¶ The deal does not involve the Standard Oil Service Station on Main Street [McComb Ave.], which is still owned by Nordgren, and is being operated by Frank Monheim." |
| 10/13/1966 | People | GREGORY THUMS IS HONORED "Gregory Thums, hospital apprentice in the United States Navy, placed second in his company, which was one of three graduated recently at the US Naval Hospital Corps School at Great Lakes, Illinois. ¶ Thums is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Thums of Rib Lake, and is a Rib Lake High School graduate. ¶ He had an academic rating of 94.62%..." |
| 10/27/1966 | Entertainment | LIONS CLUB PLANS SNOWMOBILE RACE FOR JANUARY 2. "Preliminary plans for a snowmobile derby to be held on Rib Lake on January 2, were approved by members of the Rib Lake Lions Club at a dinner meeting last Thursday in the National Hotel. ¶ The event will include races on a closed course, on Rib Lake itself, and cross-country run of several miles, which will begin and end on the lake. ¶ The Club members rejected a previous suggestion for a two-day event, and decided on the simpler one-day competition, with an appeal for entries from amateur snowmobilers, rather than from professionals who make the circuit of similar events. ¶ A \$5 entry fee will be charged contestants, and this will be returned in prizes. The group also will sell advance tickets and provide an attendance award....¶ Leroy Stewart will be general chairman, and President Art Hilgart, as co-chairman. |
| 10/27/1966 | J.J. Kennedy & family | BESSIE KENNEDY DIES AT HOSPITAL "Services were held at 2:00 p.m. at the Mannel Funeral Home for Mrs. Bessie Kennedy, 66, member of an old Rib Lake family, who died Monday morning at the Memorial Hospital at Medford. ¶ The former Bessie Pacourek was born in Milwaukee and came to Northern Wisconsin with her family, which first settled in Milladore and later came to Rib Lake. She was married to Harold Kennedy of Rib Lake in Oklahoma on June 30, 1930. They lived in Michigan City for a while, then returned to Rib Lake and spent the summers farming on a wheat ranch near Frontier, Saskatchewan, in Canada. ¶ Following his death on Oct. 16, 1961, she had made her home here, although she had spent several summers on the Canadian ranch. She recently |

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| 11/3/1966 | Utilities | HERE IT IS! [Photograph of new toilets in park.] "Pristine in its pure simplicity stand the new restrooms in Lakeview Park, which resulted from hundreds of donations from members of the Lakeview Park Restroom and Recreation Club. It may not be the nicest building in the United States - not the biggest, not the most efficient (the equipment hasn't been installed as yet), but it's all ours. On the other hand, where can you find a nicer one?" |
| 11/3/1966 | Hunting | CLUB PLANS TWO RIFLE CLINICS "The Chelsea Conservation Club will sponsor two rifle clinics again this year. Anyone may have their rifle sighted in and actions checked on these dates at the club range, 9 miles north of Medford on Highway 13. ¶ On Nov. 13 a hunter vision clinic will also be offered to all sportsmen. This program is presented in cooperation with the Wisconsin Optometric Association, and will be supervised by Dr. Robert May of Medford...¶ Public outdoor sports facilities have been expanded again this year. Trails have been cleared for hiking and horseback riding in the summer, and snowmobile courses in the winter. A ski and sled hill has also been cleared to offer complete family outdoor entertainment. ¶ Rifle range facilities have been expanded to include 100- |
| 11/3/1966 11/3/1966 (cont) | Germania Germania (cont) | BERLIN'S CLINIC OF THE 21ST CENTURY "Europe's largest and most modern medical center, called the "Klinikum," is under construction for the free university in West Berlin. It will provide ultra-modern hospital care and out-patient treatment in a single complex that houses clinical, research and teaching facilities, now located in different parts of the city. Combining the advance knowledge and experience gained in the U.S., Germany and other countries, the "Klinikum" will emphasize personalized attention not usually found in such huge establishments. ¶ The new health center is a major feature of the free university, with financial support also from the Benjamin Franklin Foundation in the United States. Designed in accordance with recommendations of the ¶ The architects have designed two long, parallel docks of wards set up on top of administrative departments, and linked by a central block of laboratories and lecture rooms. When completed in 1967, the Center will be able to treat some 25,000 in-patients per year, in 46 wards containing 1,448 beds. It will also train physicians and nurses, and provide clinic treatment for 63,000 out-patients. ¶ A fleet of electric cars will run a shuttle service for patients and personnel between the blocks. Medicines and documents will travel among the various units through an 8-mile network of pneumatic tubes. ¶ Of the estimated cost of \$75 million, West Berlin will provide \$10 million, the German Federal Republic \$50 million, and \$50 million will come from US sources. (Advertisements - 11-3-66)" |
| 11/10/1966 | Politics | COUNTY VOTERS FAVOR LUCEY FOR GOVERNOR "Taylor County voters surprisingly rejected Governor Knowles' bid for re-election, giving a lead of more than 200 to his Democratic opponent, Patrick J. Lucey. ¶ The total county vote was Lucey, 2,562; Knowles, 2,323. ¶ Bronson LaFollette, Democratic incumbent Attorney General, also won local approval, polling 2,655 votes to 2,009 for his Republican opponent, Louis J. Ceci, and Assemblyman Joe Sweda had a large lead over Harold DeHart, Republican. ¶ Otherwise, Taylor County remained |

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| 11/17/1966 | Obituary & Westboro | HENRY FRANCK DIES THURSDAY "Funeral services were held at the Methodist Church at Westboro for Claude Henry Franck, 80, a well-known Westboro resident, who died on Thursday at his home in the western part of the Town. He was better known as Henry. ¶ Active pallbearers were Charles Saenger, Gust Anderson, Ernest Kohn, Arthur Heldstab, Vern Everson, Joseph Smith. ¶ Honorary pallbearers included Carl Peterson, Alex Peterson, Howard Kaye, Jacob Bursik, and Carl Wick. ¶ Mr. Franck was born in Antigo on April 8, 1886, and was employed in the woods and sawmills in northern Wisconsin for many years. He worked in Panama in 1922 and 1923, and later built his own mill and did custom sawing for farmers in the area. He retired about 15 years ago. ¶ He was married to Grace St. John on August 8, 1910. She died on May 30, 1917. His second marriage in Tomahawk on |
| 11/17/1966 | Obituary & Wis. Central | FINAL RITES FOR RAY PENDERGAST "Services were held at 10:30 a.m. last Friday at St. John the Baptist Church for Raymond E. Pendergast, 71, a former Rib Lake resident, who died Tuesday afternoon at St. Joseph's Hospital in Marshfield. ¶ The Rev. Werner Hemmelgarn officiated, and burial was in the family plot in Lakeview Cemetery. ¶ Active pallbearers were George Thums, Alfred Thums, Edwin Thums, Charles Pendergast, Allen Marschke, and Chester Skippy. ¶ Honorary pallbearers were Arnold Stange, Roy Kedrowski, Harry Brown and Vincent Dietsche. The American Legion Post also conducted graveside rites, presenting a flag. ¶ Mr. Pendergast was born in Abbotsford on Mar. 7, 1895, and worked for the Soo Line railroad for 51 years, before his retirement a few years ago. He was married to Miss Florence McLellan of Rib Lake, at St. John the Baptist Church on Nov. 27, ¶ Surviving are the widow, three daughters, Mrs. Elaine Marschke, Stevens Point; Sister Mary M. Judette, O.S.F. Yazoo City, Mississippi; and Sister Mary Juditha, O.S.F. Mishicot, Wisconsin; 9 sons, Raymond, Jr., Stevens Point; William, Oshkosh; Archie, Fond du Lac; Robert, Marathon; Richard, Stevens Point; Kenneth and Keith, Sepulveda, California; Francis, Stevens Point; and Patricia, Green Bay. 14 grand children, and 2 great grand children." |
| 11/17/1966 (cont) | Obituary & Wis. Central (cont) | |
| 11/17/1966 | Spirit | 25TH WEDDING CELEBRATION ON STATE'S HIGHEST FARM "Mr. and Mrs. George Swanson were pleasantly surprised Monday evening of last week when about 30 relatives and close friends came to the "highest farm in Wisconsin" to help them celebrate their 25th wedding anniversary. ¶ The couple received many nice gifts, and a lovely wedding cake was brought by the Ron Meiers. ¶ Songs by Mr. and Mrs. Wilberg Blomberg, and the |
| 11/24/1966 | RLLC | DOWN THE ROAD "The Henry Rosenfeldts recently came across an item in the "Peeps at our Past" column in the <i>Antigo Daily Journal</i> - 50 years ago on Nov. 7, 1916. ¶ Here is what it said: "The largest sawmill chimney in the State of Wisconsin was completed at Rib Lake today. This chimney, which is of brick construction, was built for the new modern sawmill of the RLLC, which will be ready to begin operations in another month. The chimney is 165 feet high, 14 feet, 10 1/8 inches in diameter at the bottom, and 7 feet, 9 inches in diameter at the top." |

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| 11/24/1966 | Education | BOYS AT TREES CAMP "58 senior high school students from throughout the state attended a 3-day session for future timber operators at the Trees for Tomorrow Camp at Eagle River, Nov. 9-12. ¶ In attendance from Rib Lake High School were James Surek of Rib Lake, and Gene Lind of Spirit. They were accompanied by Keith Zintz, Vocational Ag Instructor. ¶ The school was sponsored by the Northern Hardwood and Pine Manufacturers Association, the Wisconsin-Upper Michigan Timber Producers Association, and Trees for Tomorrow, Inc., in cooperation with the State Board of Vocational, Technical and Adult Education, and the Wisconsin Vocational Ag Instructors. ¶ This 3-day camp is the first step in a long-range program to focus on career opportunities in wood production. The Wisconsin Woods Industry Study Committee has spent almost a year in researching and compiling data on the changing pattern in wood production..." |
| 12/8/1966 | People & Rusch | ENGAGEMENT - BLECK-JUDNIC "Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Bleck, Rib Lake, announce the engagement of their daughter, Patricia Ann, to SP/5 Larry Judnic, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Judnic, Town of Greenwood. ¶ Miss Bleck is a 1966 graduate of Rib Lake High School, and is employed at Employers Mutual Insurance Company at Wausau. SP/5 Judnic is currently on a 45-day leave from the Army, after serving a year in Vietnam. He will report to Fort Eustis, Virginia, to complete his remaining 5 months of service. ¶ A July wedding is planned." |
| 12/8/1966 | People & Rusch | NORDGRENS MOVE TO WEST BEND "Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Nordgren, who are now living in West Bend, were guests of honor at a farewell party, given by relatives and friends, at the Spirit Lake Tavern Saturday night. The couple was presented with a farewell gift and lunch was served. Mr. and Mrs. Ziggy Duenkel, who formerly operated the Spirit Lake Tavern, and also now live in West Bend, were here, as well as Mrs. Nordgren's parents, the |
| 12/15/1966 | Obituary | ANDREW F. SZAFLARSKI "Funeral services were to be held at 10:00 a.m. today (Thursday) at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church for Andrew Frank Szaflarski, 89, a resident of the area for more than 40 years. ¶ Mr. Szaflarski was born in Poland on April 27, 1877, and came to the United States in 1904, settling in Minneapolis. He married Mary Sophia Rekucki there in May, 1908. They moved here in 1922 and he operated a farm on the high school road, before retiring several years ago, and moving to a home on Church Street in the village. ¶ Surviving are a daughter, Anna, Mrs. Joseph Pacourek; two sons, Stanley Szaflarski, Rib Lake; and Frank Szaflarski, Owen..." |
| 12/15/1966 | Obituary | WALTER C. WINKLER "Funeral services were held at 2:00 p.m. Tuesday at St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church for Walter Charles Winkler, 76, a resident of the community for most of his life. ¶ Herman Monske, Emil Gnotke, William Radtke, Ernest Tetzlaff, Adolph Walbeck and Martin Schinker were the pallbearers. ¶ Mr. Winkler was born in Germany on Jan. 12, 1890, and came to this country with his parents when he was 11 years old. They lived at Slinger and Milwaukee, and came to Rib Lake about 3 years later. He was employed by the RLLC as a mill worker until it ceased operations. ¶ He was married to Nancy Johnson at Medford Sept. 23, 1922. ¶ Surviving are the widow, a daughter, Eileen Winkler, Marshfield; two sons, Marvin Winkler, St. Paul, Minnesota; and Harold Winkler, Rib Lake..." |

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| 12/15/1966 | Obituary | DR. C.C. SMITH DIES "Funeral services were held last week Friday in Our Saviors Lutheran Church at Westby for Dr. C.C. Smith, a former Rib Lake dentist, who died the previous Tuesday. He was 66...He was born Aug. 15, 1900, at Wausau, to Mr. and Mrs. Gottlieb Smith. He was married to Mabel Thompson Feb. 20, 1925. He graduated from Marquette Dental School in 1923, and practiced dentistry in Rib Lake from 1923 until 1932, when the Smiths moved to Westby, where he continued his practice. He is survived by his wife, one daughter, Mrs. O.D. (Gwenith) Linrud; and one granddaughter, all of Westby; and three nieces." |
| 12/22/1966 | Obituary | FINAL RITES FOR TRACY H. TIMM "Services were held Monday, Nov. 28, at Zacherl Funeral Home in Fond du Lac for Tracy H. Timm, 82, member of an early Rib Lake family, who died Nov. 26....¶ Born Dec. 16, 1883, at Marshfield, the son of Frank and Mary Hyatt Timm, he married Mary Gallagher Nov. 25, 1905, at St. Mary's Church in Tomahawk. She preceded him in death on Aug. 23, 1965. ¶ He attended school in Rib Lake, worked in the tannery here, and was a retired employee of the Fred Rueping Leather Company..." |
| 12/22/1966 | Businesses | SHOE FACTORY WORKERS ON VACATION "Employees of the Gem Products Shoe Factory will be off from Thursday, Dec. 23, at 4:00 p.m. and return to work on Tuesday, Dec. 26." |
| 12/22/1966 12/22/1966 (cont) | Businesses Businesses (cont) | CHRISTMAS GREETINGS FROM AREA BUSINESSES [Following is a list of area businesses printed in the Herald on Dec. 22, 1966; each of the businesses ran some form of Christmas greeting.] 1. Mr. and Mrs. Louis Menning, d/b/a Maudie's Florist. ¶ 2. Herman F. Smith, d/b/a Smith Welding Service. ¶ 3. Arnold Krueger, d/b/a The Blue Royal at the junction of 102 and 13. ¶ 4. George, Floreen and Faye Buksa, d/b/a George's Tap. ¶ 5. Mr. and Mrs. John Dolezalek, d/b/a Johnny's Electric. ¶ 6. Janet Nelson, d/b/a Rib Lake Beauty Shop. ¶ 7. Mr. and Mrs. Emery Peterson, d/b/a Pete's Mobil Service. ¶ 8. Mr. and Mrs. Carl Loeffler, d/b/a Chelsea Mercantile Store. ¶ 9. Lakewood Credit Union. ¶ 10. The Alphonse Mitchells, d/b/a National Hotel & Bar. ¶ 11. Mr. & Mrs. Vernon & Estelle Hanke, d/b/a Hanke's Mobiloil Service. ¶ 12. Alin and Selma Carlson, d/b/a Carlson's Resort on the Harper ¶ 17. Andrew Zondlo, "Dealer in Livestock." ¶ 18. Cooper Cheese Company, Westboro, Wis. ¶ 19. Earl Thums, "Dealer in Forest Products, Custom Sawing, Registered Appaloosa Horses, Westboro, Wis." ¶ 20. Mr. & Mrs. Art Marschke, d/b/a 102 Tavern. ¶ 21. Mr. and Mrs. Southwell Rosenfeldt, d/b/a The Lakeside "Dance hall, bar and groceries." ¶ 22. Joe Probst, "Saw filing and scissor sharpening, Route 1, Rib Lake." ¶ 23. Mr. & Mrs. Barney Cihasky, d/b/a South Side Garage. ¶ 24. Mr. & Mrs. Arthur Hilgart, d/b/a Art's Barbershop. ¶ 25. Harold Gumm, d/b/a The Fix-It Man, Rib Lake. ¶ 26. Mr. & Mrs. Duane Warner, d/b/a The Gamble Store. ¶ 27. Mr. & Mrs. Ed Hong, proprietor, Mrs. Albina Attwood, RN, manager, d/b/a The Golden Age Nursing Home. ¶ 28. Peanuts & Shirley Olson, d/b/a Spirit Lake Tavern. ¶ 29. The Roy and Leroy Stewarts, d/b/a Stewart Lumber & Fuel Company. |

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| 12/22/1966 (cont) | Businesses (cont) | ¶ 33. Mel, Ma & Pa Budimlija, d/b/a Cattail Tap. Highway C & M, Route 1, Rib Lake. ¶ 34. John, Gene & Clark Echoff, d/b/a Rib Lake Telephone Co. ¶ 35. Mr. & Mrs. George Tlusty, d/b/a Tlusty Beverage & Bottling Co. ¶ 36. Mr. & Mrs. John J. Sabo, d/b/a Coast-to-Coast Hardware. ¶ 37. Glov-Ett by Dodson Comfort Shoes, manufacturers of Gem Products, Inc. ¶ 38. Millard & Velve Kapitz, and Annie Talbot, d/b/a Talbot's Resort on Willow Lake. ¶ 39. Gordon & Virginia Gehrt, d/b/a Gehrt's Bar. ¶ 40. Mr. & Mrs. Roger Johnson, d/b/a Roger's Servi-Center. ¶ 41. The Dick Noziskas, d/b/a Rancho Deer Farm Bar & Food - on Hwy 13 north of Westboro. ¶ 42. Ken & Rika Wagner, d/b/a A&W Root Beer and Chalet Motel. ¶ 43. Louis Heglmeier, d/b/a Heglmeier's Bakery. ¶ 44. Mr. & Mrs. John Schreiner, d/b/a Rib Lake Roller Mills. ¶ 45. Dr. & Mrs. S.F. Hesse. ¶ 46. Dr. & Mrs. Duane D. Powers. ¶ 47. Mr. |
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| 1/5/1967 | Entertainment | SNOWMOBILE DERBY A SUCCESS! "Rib Lake had its first experience with the snowmobile craze on Sunday, when 68 vehicles participated in the First Annual Snowmobile Derby, sponsored by the Rib Lake Lions Club. ¶ The affair apparently was successful overall, at least social-wise and entertainment-wise. ¶ Just how much money-wise successful it was remains to be seen after all accounts are tabulated and bills paid. " |
| 1/12/1967 | Obituary | ALBERT STEINMAN DIES "Albert August Wilhelm Steinman, 78, a long-time resident of the community, died Tuesday evening at Memorial Hospital in Medford. Funeral services will be held at 1:30 p.m. at St. Peters Evangelical Lutheran Church, in the Town of Greenwood, with burial in the church cemetery. The Rev. Roger Vomhof will officiate. ¶ Mr. Steinman was born on Nov. 19, 1889, in Black Creek. He was married April 15, 1939, |
| 1/12/1967 | Church - Lutheran - St. John's | NEW MINISTER FOR LUTHERANS "The Rev. John Meyer of Thiensville will be installed as pastor of St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church in the village, and Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church in the Town of Spirit, at services Sunday. ¶ The Rev. Mr. Meyer, 34, is married and has five children. The family will occupy the parsonage on Fayette Ave. in the village. ¶ Worship and installation services will be held at 9:00 a.m. at the Spirit Church, and at 10:30 a.m. in St. John's, the latter service being followed by a congregational dinner at noon. ¶ The Rev. Marvin |
| 1/12/1967 | Clubs/Orders | MISS FRANZ HEADS CHAPTER "Miss Dorothy M. Franz was installed as Gamma Delta President of Beta Chapter, Stevens Point, in January 3. Gamma Delta is the national fraternity of synodical Lutheran students. Miss Franz, a junior at WSU-Stevens Point, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert B. Franz of rural Rib Lake." |
| 1/19/1967 | Environment & Rib Lake Fish & Game Assoc. | CLUB HAS KIT FOR CHECKING OXYGEN "An oxygen testing kit, which can be used to determine how the fish are doing beneath the ice, has been purchased by the Rib Lake Fish & Game Assoc., with Barney Cihasky as chief instigator and chief tester. ¶ The Association wanted tests made in Rib Lake to determine if it would be necessary to start up the aerators, which have been used for the past several years, and have halted, or at least slowed, the rate of the ordinary winter kill of fish, due to inadequate supplies of oxygen under the ice. ¶ The dealer who sold the aerators was called and arrived in Rib Lake with the kit, and the tests were made, showing the oxygen to be |

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| 1/19/1967 (cont) | Environment & Rib Lake Fish & Game Assoc. (cont) | ¶ The donors included Gehrt's Bar, Schlais Clothing, John Steen, Barney himself, Frank Yanko, Butch Ward, Schauss Rosenfeldt, Bernie Golder, Zondlo's Tavern, Julius Resudek, Howard Lamont, Otto Gerstberger, Sonny Gerstberger, Elwood Bleck, Reiny Edenhauser, Beck Davis, Roger Johnson, Chernie Curran, John Sabo, Frank Filas, George Tlusty, Gene Clifford, Darrell Wendt, Les Magnuson, Roy Stewart and Vic Kohn. ¶ Barney said the it will be available for testing purposes in lakes other than Rib without charge if accessible residents want to use |
| 1/19/1967 | Rib Lake - Town | TOWN TAXES IN SMALL INCREASE "The tax roll for the Town of Rib Lake was increased from 1965 from \$71,953, to \$72,791 for this year, a raise of \$847, the annual tax summary by Lavern Zuege, Town Clerk, revealed. ¶ Assessed valuation of the town was down \$7,837, or from \$975,418 last year to \$967,545 this year..." |
| 1/19/1967 | Rib Lake Herald | SUNNY SIDE OF THE STREET [Originally published Jan. 17, 1967.] "Mrs. Cy Claussen comes up with a plea on behalf of our out-of-town subscribers. Not a new thought to us, but perhaps localites will bow to the weight of her words more readily than ours. ¶ She says, "remember that all your old friends (the ones you're too busy to write to!) take the Herald for news of YOU. The next time you have a gathering at your home or something similar, DO let the paper know. Otherwise, they won't know. Then friends away won't know, and begin to worry as to whether you're still alive and kicking. (Mrs. C speaks from experience) and Amen. L.P.C." |

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| 1/26/1967 | Politics | KRUEGER FAVORS 4-YEAR SHERIFF TERM "State Senator Clifford W. Krueger (Republican-Merrill) last week introduced a resolution to permit Wisconsin sheriffs to serve more than two consecutive terms. The state constitution presently forbids this practice. Krueger's resolution amends the constitution. ¶ The amendment, if passed by the legislature, will be referred to the voters, probably at the spring election next April. A similar resolution passed the 1965 session of the legislature. ¶ An amendment to the Wisconsin Constitution requires the approval of both of two successive legislatures, and the voters at a state election, to become effective. ¶ Krueger said, "the two-term limitation on sheriff terms prevents the voters from expressing their confidence in men who have served them well. The practice of husbands alternating in the sheriff's office with their wives does nothing to add to public confidence in law enforcement. ¶ "I favor giving the people the right to re-elect their sheriffs for as long as they please," Krueger concluded." |
| 2/2/1967 | Obituary | FINAL RITES HELD FOR MRS. STORM, OGEMA TEACHER "Funeral services were held at 2:00 p.m. Monday in St. Mary's Lutheran Church (sic) in the Town of Hill for Mrs. Victor Storm, 62, Route 2, Ogema, who died on Friday at her home after an extended illness. ¶ The Rev. John Grandt, Prentice, officiated, and burial was in the Leavitt Cemetery in the Town of Hill. ¶ Pallbearers were Arvid Arkola, John Bergmann, John Matta, Maurice Niemi, Wilbert Roinila, and John Toirvinen. ¶ The former Laimie Helena Annala was born in Ironwood, Michigan, on July 3, 1904, and was married to Victor Storm on June 24, 1927, at St. Mark's Lutheran Church. She was a member of the St. Mark's congregation, the Homemakers Club, the Ladies Aid Society, and the Southern Price County Educational Association. ¶ She moved with her family to Price County in 1907, settling on a farm across |
| 2/2/1967 (cont) | Obituary (cont) | ¶ She taught school at Brantwood, Spirit, Leavitt Creek, Centerville, Lugerville, Prentice and Ogema, retiring in 1966 because of ill health. ¶ They lived in Rib Lake from 1927-1943. ¶ Surviving are the husband, a daughter, Ailene, Mrs. Clifford Preium, Stevens Point; two sons, Marvin, Madison; and John, Ogema; 3 brothers, Wayne Annala, Elmwood, Illinois; Walter Annala, Westboro; and Toivo Annala, Harner Lake Road; and a sister, Ailia |

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| 2/9/1967 | Politics & Rib Lake - Village | VILLAGE PARK FEDERAL HELP NOW ASSURED "The good news that the village's Lakeview Park improvement program has been approved for federal matching funds was received Monday. ¶ Assemblyman Joe Sweda informed The Herald by telephone from Madison that he has been assured, by the State Conservation Department, which administers the so-called Lawcon Program in Wisconsin, that \$5,135 Rib Lake program has been approved, and that formal announcement will come from Washington soon. ¶ The federal government will supply \$2,567.50 for the program, with the village matching the amount in materials and service. The village |
| 2/9/1967 (cont) | Politics & Rib Lake - Village (cont) | ¶ The plan for development calls for a new restroom building, increasing the camping or trailer spaces from 12 to 25 through enlargement of the park, picnic tables, fireplaces, one-half acre play area for children, access roads and drainage. ¶ Completion date, as outlined on the formal application, is Nov. 1, 1967, but the indications are that the work will be served just as soon as weather conditions will allow, and that the new and improved accommodations will be available for the bulk of the traveling public which uses the park each summer." |
| 2/9/1967 | Clubs/Orders | HAROLD ZIEKLE IS NEW CLUB HEAD "Harold Zielke was elected president of the Rib Lake Commercial & Civic Club at the monthly dinner meeting at the Little Bohemia Café Tuesday night. ¶ Ziekle, who had served as vice president, succeeds Keith Zintz and will take over at the March meeting. ¶ John J. Sabo was elected vice president, and Jack Wolter was re-elected secretary-treasurer. ¶ Ladies Night was observed, and the club also entertained village employees and their wives in appreciation of their cooperation on the Christmas decorating program, and for their own decoration at the sewage disposal plant. They included Mr. & Mrs. George Thums, Mr. |
| 2/9/1967 (cont) | Clubs/Orders | ¶ President Zintz appointed a committee to make preliminary plans for a public dedication of the new restroom building at Lakeview Park. Members are Verl Bokath, Butch Ward, Gene Clifford, Ed Martin, Bob Becker, Frank Yanko, Zielke and Zintz. The club also voted to assist the American Legion Post and its auxiliary in ascending representatives from the community to the annual Boy State at Ripon College, and the Girl State at the University of Wisconsin. ¶ Cave Man Spirit, who lived in Indian the Bone Cave, first man, was reported to be a |
| 2/9/1967 | Obituary | LEON W. OLSEN, FORMER VILLAGE PRESIDENT, DIES "Services were held Wednesday at Chippewa Falls for Leon W. Olsen, 64, former Rib Lake hardware dealer and village president, who died early Saturday at St. Joseph's Hospital there. ¶ Mr. Olsen was born on June 1, 1902, at Shell Lake, the son of Mr. & Mrs. Louis Olsen, and was employed as a salesman by a Duluth wholesale hardware firm, and later by John Pritzlaff Hardware at Milwaukee. ¶ He came here after the Second World War and operated Olsen's Hardware (now the Coast-to-Coast Store) for about 10 years. He was village president from 1949-1954, was a member of the Rib Lake District School Board, and was active in the commercial club and other civic groups. ¶ He was largely responsible for the construction of the village-owned building which now houses the shoe factory. He also operated the Olsen Home |
| 2/16/1967 | Law & Rib Lake - Village | KASPAREK AGAIN VILLAGE ASSESSOR "Joseph Kasperek, Town of Medford, was reappointed village assessor for the coming year by the village board Tuesday evening. ¶ The board also approved the appointment of Attorney Raymond F. Thums, Wausau, as village attorney, to succeed the late Attorney Charles G. Giles of Medford. Thums is a son of Mr. & Mrs. Edwin Thums, Rib Lake..." |

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| 2/16/1967 | Businesses | FIX-IT SHOP IS MOVED "Harold Gumm has moved his "Fix-It Shop" from 810 McComb Ave., north of the Little Bohemia, to the building immediately north of the post office, at 709 McComb, which he bought from the Butch Wards. The former Gumm building has been bought by Steve Minarciny, of the Little Bohemia, who, with his daughter, Arlene, and his sister, Mrs. Anne Remias, will occupy it as a dwelling, especially during the winter months when transportation between the village and his farm property about 3 miles east of the Fawn Valley corner, is difficult." |
| 2/23/1967 | Obituary | MRS. SZCZUREK [SUREK] IS BURIED ON FRIDAY "Funeral services were held at 10:00 a.m. last Friday at St. John the Baptist Church for Mrs. Joseph M. Szczurek, a resident of the community for more than 50 years, who died the previous Tuesday at Sacred Heart Hospital in Tomahawk. ¶ The Rev. Werner Hemmelgarn officiated, and burial was in Lakeview Cemetery. ¶ Pallbearers were sons and sons-in-law, Stanley, Anton, Joe, and John <u>Surek</u> , Leonard Kofler, and Ray Jesiorski. ¶ Frances Victoria Borowy was born in Poland on Sept. 8, 1885, and married Joseph M Szczurek there. They came to the United States in 1908, settling first in Minneapolis, and coming to Rib Lake, to operate a farm north of the village on what is now called the Upjohn Road in 1914. ¶ She was a member of the Catholic congregation here. Mr. Szczurek died on Aug. 20, 1964. ¶ Surviving are three daughters, Miss Rose Szczurek, Minneapolis; Ann, Mrs. Jay Jesiorski, Minneapolis; and Emily, Mrs. Leonard Kofler, Rib Lake; four sons, Anton <u>Surek</u> , Rib Lake; Stanley Surek, Minneapolis; and John and Joe Surek, Milwaukee; 17 grandchildren and 1 great-grandchild. [underlining added] |

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| 2/23/1967 | Obituary & Greenwood | FINAL RITES FOR MRS. KLEMM, 90, EARLY RESIDENT "Funeral services were held Monday afternoon at St. Peters Evangelical Lutheran Church in the Town of Greenwood for Mrs. Robert C. Klemm, 90, member of a pioneer Greenwood family. ¶ The Rev. Roger Vomhoff, pastor, presided, and burial was in the church cemetery. Pallbearers were Bernard Klemm, Irwin Klemm, Ralph Klemm, Emery Klemm, Alvin Stibbe, and Leonard Steinman. ¶ The former Caroline Hermina Martin was born in Germany on March 1, 1876, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Christ Martin. She came to this country with her parents in 1882. At the time of her death, she was living with a son, Ernest, on Highway M in the Town of Greenwood. She was a member of St. Peters congregation, and a charter member of the Ladies Aid Society. ¶ She was married to Robert Carl Klemm on April 16, 1895. He preceded her in death in 1945..." |
| 3/9/1967 | Agriculture | NFO SPONSORS DAIRY CATTLE MARKET DAY "Between 250-300 producing dairy cows were marketed for slaughter Tuesday in a milk price protest sale at Stetsonville. The market, held to reduce producing cows and thereby raise prices for milk paid to farmers, was sponsored by the National Farmers Organization (NFO) of Taylor and Clark Counties. ¶ County NFO president Joe Retterrath, Stetsonville, said the program of marketing dairy cows for slaughter is an effort to balance the supply with the demand. He added that government economists have consistently preached that a reduction in production of 1% will raise the price 2-1/2%. "We are making an effort to bring about that balance in order to obtain higher prices for our dairy farmers," Retterrath concluded." |
| 3/16/1967 | Law | NEW LAW FIRM AT WAUSAU "William F. Krueger and Raymond F. Thums have announced their association in the practice of law by the firm name of Krueger and Thums, 408 Third Street, Wausau. Ray is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Thums, Rib Lake." |
| 3/23/1967 3/23/1967 (cont) | Obituary Obituary (cont) | JOHN W. FREECK, VILLAGE MERCHANT, STRICKEN MONDAY "Funeral services will be held at 2:00 p.m. today (Thursday) in St. Johns Evangelical Lutheran Church, for John W. (Bud) Freeck, 53, prominent Rib Lake businessman, who died suddenly of a heart ailment on Monday morning. ¶ Mr. Freeck collapsed shortly after opening his grocery store, Bud's IGA Supermarket, on Monday morning, and despite efforts at resuscitation, was pronounced dead upon arrival at Memorial Hospital at Medford. ¶ Mr. and Mrs. Freeck had returned Sunday from an 8 week vacation in Florida. ¶ The Rev. John Meyer will officiate at the funeral, and burial will be in Lakeview ¶ Mr. Freeck was born in Medford on Oct. 29, 1913, and moved to Rib Lake when a boy, attending school here, and later graduating from high school at Medford. His family operated the National Hotel and he operated the bar there, and later operated "Bud's Bar" at the site of the present George's Tap on Main Street. ¶ He bought the former Seidel's Store at McComb and Landall Ave. early in 1951, and had operated it since as "Bud's Supermarket," under an IGA franchise. The establishment had won a number of awards from the IGA organization for merchandising. He was a member of the Lutheran Church, the Rib Lake Commercial and Civic Club, and was active in the business and civic life of the community. He was a former village trustee, and was a member of the corporation |

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| 3/23/1967 (cont) | Obituary (cont) | ¶ He had been in ill health, with a heart condition, for several years, but had remained active in sports, principally bowling and bow and arrow hunting. ¶ Surviving are the wife, a daughter, Mary, Mrs. Edward Zondlo; Rib Lake; a son, John E. Freeck, Seattle, Washington; a grandchildren; a brother, Aaron Freeck, Milwaukee; and a sister, Dolores Mae Phillips School Milwaukee and her mother Mrs. Selma Hansen of Medford who had sent the |
| 3/23/1967 | Politics | SEVEN SEEK 4 POSTS ON BOARD OF TRUSTEES "Contests for 4 seats on the Rib Lake Village Board of Trustees will mark the annual charter election to be held Tuesday, April 4. George Buksa, village president for the past two years, will be opposed by John W. Eckhoff, former president. ¶ Buksa defeated Eckhoff, who had served several terms as president, 156-132, in the election two years ago. ¶ Five candidates will seek the three trustee seats that are open this year: they are Raymond L. Becker and Wayne Bullis, incumbents, and Elwood Bleck, Vernon Bruegl, and Walter J. Melaski. Eugene R. Clifford, the other incumbent whose term is expiring, is not a candidate for re-election. ¶ Hold-over trustees, who have another year to serve, are Walter Wilhelms, Bernard Cihasky and |
| 3/23/1967 (cont) | Politics (cont) | TOWN OF RIB LAKE "Incumbent officers will have no opposition on the formal ballot. They are Fred Vlach, Chairman; Fred Radtke and Andrew Zondlo, Side Supervisors; Lavern Zuege, Clerk; Florian Turba, Treasurer; and Steve Olah, Assessor. ¶ TOWN OF WESTBORO "Side Supervisors will be elected by "write-in" as neither of the incumbents, Richard Rindt, Jr., or Geroman Cypher, filed nomination papers. The other incumbents, who are unopposed for re-election, are Ernest Turvey, Chairman; Margaret Grittner, Clerk; Adolph Hanson, Treasurer; Harold Lagman, Assessor; and Alex Olah, Constable. ¶ TOWN OF GREENWOOD "Chairman Henry Gebauer will be a candidate for re-election, and incumbent George Gojmerac will be a candidate for re-election as supervisor. |
| 3/23/1967 (cont) | Politics (cont) | TOWN OF CHELSEA "Gilbert Krug, incumbent town chairman, will be opposed for re-election by Irwin Frischmann, former town chairman. Martin Haenel and Albert Nehiba, incumbent side supervisors, will be opposed by Frank Beier and Albert Willner. Clerk Richard Dums, Assessor Robert Lamberty, and Treasurer Melvin Neumueller will be unopposed for re-election. Russell Anderson, George Haenel, and Milton Werner are candidates for constable." |
| 4/6/1967 | Obituary | OSCAR HANKE BURIED "Funeral services were held Monday afternoon at the Church of Peace at Fond du Lac for Oscar H. Hanke, 65, a native of Rib Lake, who died at his home in Fond du Lac on Friday. ¶ He had been employed by the Socony Oil Company at Fond du Lac for 37 years prior to his retirement on June 1, 1966. ¶ He was born in Rib Lake on May 31, 1901, the son of Herman and Bertha Mielke Hanke. Surviving are the widow, the former Lillian Seefeld, whom he married on May 14, 1932; one brother, George Hanke, Rib Lake; a daughter, a son, 7 sisters and 3 grandchildren. ¶ Among those attending the funeral were Mr. & Mrs. George Hanke, Mr. & |
| 4/6/1967 | Schools & Education | WESTBORO FAVORS MEDFORD MERGER "Meeting at a special session Wednesday night, voters in Westboro's Joint School District #1 voted unofficially 99-47, in favor of consolidating their district with the Medford district. ¶ Steve Olah, president of the board of education, said the vote was informal and not binding, but indicated the wishes of the voters in the district. ¶ There was a unanimous opinion against continuing the operation of the district without integrated state aid. ¶ Voters in the Medford district also will be required to vote and to |

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| 4/13/1967 | Harper Lake & Businesses | ILLINOIS COUPLE TO OPEN TAVERN AND RESORT AT HARPER "Purchase of Harper Lake Resort, on North Harper Lake, by Mr. & Mrs. Earl Maes, Oak Lawn, Illinois, was announced over the weekend. ¶ The tavern and 5 housekeeping cabins will be opened around the middle of June, Mr. & Mrs. Maes reported to The Herald. ¶ The establishment had been closed since the fall of 1965, when Mr. & Mrs. Carl Duenkel, who had operated it for several years, relinquished the operation and returned to their former home, West Bend. ¶ Maes is a member of an early Rib Lake family, and a native of the community. His parents, Mr. & Mrs. William Maes, built and operated the Spirit Lake Hotel, which is now the Spirit Lake Tavern, and also operated a tavern which is the present Nite |
| 4/13/1967 (cont) | Harper Lake & Businesses (cont) | ¶ Earl Maes and his brother, Art, also well known in the community, have spent their summer vacations here for many years. ¶ The Harper Lake Resort is one of the older business establishments in the area, having been built originally by Mike Schmidt. He operated it and it has been operated by a number of individuals and couples over a |
| 4/13/1967 | Clubs/Orders | COMMERCIAL, CIVIC CLUB COMMITTEES CHOSEN FOR YEAR "Committee appointments for the coming year were announced by President Harold Zielke of the Rib Lake Commercial & Civic Club at the monthly dinner meeting at the Little Bohemia Restaurant. ¶ The personnel of the committees, with the chairman named first is: Dam, Lake and Park - Verl Bokath, Ed Martin, Frank Yanko; Finance - F.P. Schaack and John Dolezalek; Christmas - Zielke and Richard Upjohn; Sunshine - Oscar Olsen and Jack Wolter; Merchants - Roy Stewart, Albert Ward and John Sabo; Community Betterment - Kenneth Mannel and George Buksa; Membership - Vernon Bruegl and Elmer Taylor; Nominating - Robert C. Becker and Gene Clifford; and Program - Duane Warner and Keith Zintz. ¶ The Club voted a \$2 donation to the Salvation Army drive, and will contribute \$10 each to the American Legion and Auxiliary towards the cost of sending a boy and girl to the Wisconsin Boys State at Ripon, and the Wisconsin Girls State at Madison, respectively. |
| 4/13/1967 (cont) | Clubs/Orders (cont) | ¶ After considerable discussion, the chairman appointed a committee to confer with officials of the Town of Rib Lake, and owners of property adjacent to the beach at South Harper Lake, to determine the current status of that property. The Club has maintained the bathing beach for a number of years, but there is some question as to what part of the property is owned by the town, and by others. An effort to continue the beach should be made, according to the Club consensus. ¶ Members of the special committee are Schaack, Bokath, Stewart, Becker and |
| 4/20/1967 | Obituary & RLLC | "BILL" EDENS, SAW FILER HERE, DIES AT WAUSAU HOME "Funeral services were held in St. John's Church at Merrill at 2:00 p.m. Wednesday for Peter William Edens, 86, former resident of Rib Lake, and saw filer for the RLLC, who died Sunday at Sunnyvale Infirmary in Wausau. He was better known here as "Bill." ¶ Mr. Edens was born in Clinton, Iowa, on April 8, 1881, the son of Mr. and Mrs. William Edens, and was married to Amanda Pagel at Merrill on April 8, 1905. They moved to Merrill about 22 years ago. ¶ Surviving are the wife, three sons, Earl Edens, Tomahawk; Everett Edens, Westboro; and Myron Edens, Wausau..." |

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| 4/20/1967 | Environment | NEW PLANS FOR DAMS TOLD BY WATER GROUP "A plan to dam five rivers that flow into the Wisconsin between Wausau and Tomahawk have been proposed by the Wisconsin Valley Improvement Company. ¶ The firm is made up of power and paper producers along the Wisconsin River. ¶ R.C. Wylie, General Management of the improvement firm, told the Conservation Commission Friday night that new reservoirs created by the dams would permit the company to curb maximum flow of water, ease flood threats, provide recreation areas near populated areas, and enhance local tax structures. ¶ The dams are proposed in the Somo, Spirit, New Wood, Copper and Rib |
| 4/20/1967 (cont) | Environment (cont) | ¶ A similar plan for damming streams was announced by the improvement company several years ago, and at that time some opposition was expressed by local residents who own hunting camps in the Newwood area, which is part of the cut-over property left by the RLLC when it abandoned operations in 1948. The property owners fear that the impounding of waters might result in flooding of some of their properties. ¶ The commission also heard development of plans for a stepped-up walleye program..." |
| 4/27/1967 | Environment | WELLINGTON LAKE TO GET RAINBOWS "Taylor County streams and trout lakes will be stocked with 10,550 legal-size trout, prior to the opening of the season on May 13, Randy Streuck, District Fish Manager at Park Falls, has announced. ¶ Wellington Lake, southwest of the village, will be stocked with trout for the first time this spring. The physical characteristics of the lake show promise for good trout management, and it is expected to provide additional trout fishing opportunity for Taylor County fishermen. The present fish population structure of Wellington Lake consists of large mouth bass, bluegills, perch and crappies, Streuck said...¶ Trout waters in Taylor County will receive the following species and numbers: Black River-800 brown; Fischer Creek-500 brook; Mink Creek, Town of Goodrich-500 brook; North Twin Lake-1,000 brook; Rib River-1,500 brook and 500 brown; Sheep |
| 5/4/1967 | Rusch & Harper Lake | MILWAUKEE READER SUGGESTS CHARGE AT SOUTH HARPER BEACH ¶ The Herald's recent editorial on the anticipated difficulties in connection with operating of the swimming beach at South Harper Lake brought a suggested solution to the problem, from a former resident - now a regular summer vacationer. ¶ Whether the suggestion made by Herman Rusch, 5947 N. 66th Street, Milwaukee, is the answer to the problem, remains to be seen, but it is welcome and will be considered by the special commercial and civic club committee appointed to study the subject. ¶ Rusch's suggestion, in brief, is that a public beach, for which a small charge would be made, be |
| 5/4/1967 (cont) | Rusch & Harper Lake (cont) | ¶ Having read about the trouble brewing about the Harper Lake swimming beach, I would like to express my thoughts on this subject. ¶ First of all, I would say the owners of the property on the east side of the beach should be compensated with a reduction or a total rebate on their taxes, for putting up with all of the noise and ruckus that goes on at the beach. ¶ Secondly, I'd recommend that the Town of Rib Lake donate what land it owns to the State Conservation Dept., so they could possibly buy more property and improve the beach. ¶ Number 3 suggestion is that the Town of Rib Lake purchase an acre or more of land from the owners of the old Mike Schmidt farm. I would call it the southwest corner, where the road goes to North Harper Tavern. ¶ Dig out enough ground to make a level parking lot. Forbid parking on the main road and oil the road past the beach and parking lot to eliminate the |

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| 5/4/1967 (cont) | Rusch & Harper Lake (cont) | ¶ You did a terrific job in getting the restroom built at the park, so maybe with your help again, we can save the "old swimming hole." ¶ I am sure vacationers and others would buy swim tickets for a small fee, but the problem would be to hire a custodian to check on the freeloaders. ¶ I think a 25 cent parking charge would be reasonable, just to get one's cars off the road. ¶ As far as I'm concerned, I'll jump in a bathtub, but my boys enjoy swimming at Harper Lake, so I am enclosing my \$2 contribution for a season pass. ¶ p.s. I would also recommend lifetime |
| 5/4/1967 | Businesses & People | DALE STROBACH IS TO BE PROPRIETOR OF ZIELKE'S STORE "Sale of Zielke's Store, one of the older business establishments in the village, was announced this week by the Harold Zielkes. ¶ The new owners are Mr. and Mrs. Dale [and Nancy] Strobach, who will take over the establishment about June 1. ¶ The general store was operated for about 30 years by the late Fred Niggemann, Mrs. Zielke's father, and the Zielkes have operated it for about 27 years. ¶ A clearance sale of dry goods, including clothing, yard goods, etc., is being held by the Zielkes, as the new owners do not plan to handle these items. ¶ Zielke said he has no future plans, but they will continue to live here. He is president of the school board, president of the Commercial and Civic Club, and a volunteer fireman. ¶ Strobach, who has been employed at Bud's IGA store here for several years, plans to install a complete meat market, and will act as butcher, having operated the meat department at the IGA store for the past several years. A new cooler and other equipment will be installed. ¶ Mrs. Strobach will assist him in the operation, and they plan to handle the PleeZing line of staple groceries." |
| 5/4/1967 | War - Soldiers | MEN IN SERVICE "The Combat Infantry Men's Badge mark of distinction for the fighting soldier, was awarded to Sgt. Mark J. Schaack in Vietnam on Mar. 28. ¶ Sgt. Schaack, son of Mr. and Mrs. Francis P. Schaack, is assigned to Company C, Second Battalion of the 9th Infantry Division's 47th Infantry, as a squad leader. ¶ The CIBs have been awarded since late in WWII for sustained contact against an enemy in ground action. The badge is a blue rectangle with a silver rifle mounted on it, and a curved wreath at the top. Subsequent awards are represented by stars in the center of the wreath. ¶ At least 30 days of combat with hostile forces in Vietnam are required to be eligible for the award. ¶ The 21-year-old soldier entered the Army in May, 1966, and completed basic training at Fort Riley, Kansas. He was graduated from the Rib Lake High School in 1964." |

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| 5/4/1967 | Schools & Education | RIB LAKE HIGH NEWS By Pat Ziembo and Kathy Zondlo "This (Thursday) morning, the Rib Lake High School was to welcome Charles King in his program, "Music in the Air." Mr. King has appeared on the Ed Sullivan Show, on the Arthur Gogfrey Talent Scout Program, and in the movie "Carmen Jones." As director of the "Wings over Jordan" choir, he toured Europe and the United States before getting into school entertainment work. ¶ The junior class presented their prom last Saturday night. They had a great turnout. ¶ The style show will be held at 8:30 p.m. on Thursday, May 11, at the school gym. The theme is "Sail into the Spotlight of Fashion." The committees are script, typists, and program and decorations, and entertainment. The chairman is Kathy Obenhofer, and Rae Leonhard is co-chairman. The state solo-ensemble contest will be held in Eau Claire on May 6. Tom Union Pennv ¶ Ron Blomberg was among the 1,746 Wisconsin high school student finalists competing for top ratings in the annual state speech contest of the Wisconsin High School Forensics Association (WHSFA) held on the University of Wisconsin campus at Madison last Saturday. ¶ The contest is one of the largest of its kind in the nation. The contestants, winners of earlier sub-district and district eliminations held throughout the state, represented 391 high schools throughout the state. ¶ Ron competed in 4-minute speaking." |
| 5/4/1967 (cont) | Schools & Education (cont) | |
| 5/4/1967 | Clubs/Orders | LIONS INTERNATIONAL "Leroy Stewart, Jr., was elected president of the Rib Lake Lions Club at a meeting in the Little Bohemia Restaurant last Thursday night. Stewart, who will take office on July 1, succeeds Arthur Hilgart, who has served as president since the club was organized in the spring of 1966. ¶ Other officers chosen were George Buksa, first vice president; Alphonse Mitchell, second vice president; Emery Peterson, third vice president; Lester Magnuson, secretary; David Attwood, treasurer; John J. Sabo, tail twister; Hilgart, lion tamer; and Harold Gumm and Herbert Magnuson, directors. Robert Melaski and Edward Ruder are hold-over directors. ¶ The officers were elected on report of a nominating committee headed by Melaski. Gumm and Mitchell were named on the auditing committee. The club voted a \$5 donation to the Lions International CARE program, which will be climaxed at the annual convention in Chicago next July 4, when a ship will be loaded with care donations for the world's needy... |
| 5/4/1967 (cont) | Clubs/Orders (cont) | ¶ The next meeting, on Thursday, May 18, will be the first anniversary of the club's founding, and Ladies Night will be observed. Each member is asked to bring his lady and another couple from the community as guests. Stewart and Melaski are on the committee in charge.." |
| 5/4/1967 | Spirit Lake & Businesses | LAKEVIEW RESORT AND MOTEL [A paid advertisement] "On Big Spirit Lake - Inez and Marty Vanucha. Fish fries Friday. Shrimp-lobster-scallops-seafood. Chicken and steak dinners on weekends. Prompt service. Phone 427-3072. ¶ Chili and sandwiches at all times! Beer and bait." |

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| 5/11/1967 | Camp Forest Springs | CAMP YOUTH PROGRAM "Camp Forest Springs announces the May "Youthspiration" program for youth, ages 8-13, this Saturday, May 13. Activities get underway at 9:30 a.m., and continue until 4:00 p.m. All area youth and their sponsors are welcome. ¶ Outdoor sports and games are planned, weather permitting. The Forest Springs year-round staff will be in charge of varied activities, with special features planned for all. Richard W. Neale, director of Camp Forest Springs, who travels widely across the US presenting programs geared especially to youth, will provide the highlights of this month's program. All who attend are asked to bring their own sack lunch, a can of soup, and 50 cents registration for the day. ¶ The Forest Springs staff now is busy preparing for the summer camps, which open with a college level Camping Institute on June 10. Starting June 25, camps for all ages are offered, concluding with a family camp at the close of the season. Anyone who would like a free folder describing the summer camp sessions may contact Camp Forest Springs, Westboro." |
| 5/11/1967 | Harper Lake | SWIMMING AT HARPER? "Whether there will be public swimming at the beach at South Harper Lake this year is problematical, members of a special committee named by the Rib Lake Commercial and Civic Club having failed to make any great progress at this writing. ¶ The committee, composed of F.P. Schaack, Verl Bokath, Roy Stewart, Robert Becker and Keith Zintz, reported it had conferred with the town board of the Town of Rib Lake, and learned that the town owns only a narrow strip extending from the road to the water's edge. ¶ However, town officials promised the committee to confer with adjacent property owners in an effort to gain a lease or easement so that a popular swimming place can be used again this season. ¶ Hence the club postponed further discussion of the matter until the next meeting on June 6." |
| 5/11/1967 | Roads | STATE HIGHWAY AID DISTRIBUTED "The State Highway Commission mailed checks in April totaling \$23,102,728 to every county, city, village and town in Wisconsin for supplementary highway aids under statutory allotment for improvements to county trunk highways and local public roads and streets. ¶ Taylor County received a partial prepayment totaling \$73,641.81, plus \$152,576.56, which included \$13,544.29 for the City of Medford; \$6,510.36 for the Village of Rib Lake...and \$122,691.56 for 22 towns. ¶ The present prepayment equals about 50% of the total 1966 supplemental aids distributed from the state highway fund to the local units of government..." |
| 5/11/1967 | Politics & Environment | LAKESHORE AREA HEARING STARTED "Senator Gaylord Nelson (D-Wis.) began a Washington campaign Monday, which he hopes will lead to congressional approval this year, of his proposal to create an Apostle Islands National Lakeshore. ¶ The Senate Interior Committee held a hearing at 10:00 Monday on the bill, which would create a 57,500 acre national facility on Lake Superior in Ashland and Bayfield Counties. ¶ In remarks prepared for delivery Monday on the senate floor, Nelson declared that the proposal had won "the enthusiastic backing of business, labor, local government, farm organizations, conservation groups, civic clubs, and most of the state's daily newspapers." ¶ He said he believes the project would give northern Wisconsin a substantial economic boost by generating millions of dollars in new tourist business. |

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| 5/11/1967 (cont) | Politics & Environment (cont) | ¶ "The overwhelming endorsement is attributed to the citizens clubs and conservation organizations which have worked so hard to develop this proposal and to familiarize the people of Wisconsin with what it offers to our state," Nelson said. ¶ Although there is now widespread opposition to the project, Nelson said that some residents were concerned about how property would be acquired. He said some sportsmen mistakenly feared that the area would be closed to hunting and fishing. Property owners would be able to sell their parcels or hold them for life, Nelson said." |
| 5/11/1967 | Westboro & Schools | WESTBORO ASKS "EMERGENCY" RULING TO KEEP GRADE SCHOOL FOR A YEAR "Westboro voters, who want to dissolve their school district and have it attached to the Medford district, failed to get a formal ruling last Thursday night from the Agency School Committee, which was to have determined the matter. ¶ Instead, they received the information that the State Department of Public Instruction probably will allow the district to operate its elementary schools for another year, and receive integrated state aid, which will allow the district to send its high school pupils to another district on a tuition basis. ¶ The Agency School Committee was to have held a hearing on the petition of the great majority of Westboro voters to send their children to the Medford schools, as well as a ¶ The latter petition, however, was found to be faulty, because the property involved was not correctly described. Hence the committee denied the lesser petition, and declined to act on the major petition, as the two were closely aligned...¶ Continuation of the Westboro district for another year, it was said, would enable the Medford district to "be ready" for the Westboro students, and would allow ample time for a referendum, in case it was demanded after the formal order to merge the Westboro and Medford districts had been approved by the committee. ¶ The solution apparently was satisfactory to the Westboro voters who attended, and one pointed out that the students all should be |
| 5/11/1967 (cont) | Westboro & Schools (cont) | |
| 5/11/1967 | War - Soldiers | MEN IN SERVICE "Chief Electrician Technician Marlyn A. Schopper, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. August J. Schopper of Rib Lake, is serving aboard the Nuclear Powered Ballistic Missile Submarine George C. Marshall, which has just returned from its first patrol. ¶ The submarine, operating out of Holy Loch, Scotland, is attached to Submarine Squadron 14. During the patrol, the ship remained submerged for nearly 2-1/2 months. ¶ A graduate of Rib Lake High School, Schopper entered the service in May, 1956." |
| 5/18/1967 | Westboro & Schools | WESTBORO DISTRICT TO RECEIVE "EMERGENCY" STATE AID FOR SCHOOL "Steve Olah, president of the Westboro School District's Board of Education, announced this week that the State Department of Public Instruction has agreed to allow the district integrated aid for another year. ¶ This will enable the district to operate the elementary school for another year, and to send high school pupils to another district or districts on a tuition basis. ¶ Olah said the determination as to where the high school pupils will be sent will be made by the board, and that a public announcement will be made when the decision is reached. ¶ The board president also asked The Herald to correct what he said was a mistake in the impression gained from last week's story in The Herald on the situation, that the elementary school at Westboro might be operated only the one more year. |

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| 5/18/1967 (cont) | Westboro & Schools (cont) | ¶ He said the elementary school will continue to be operated in the future by the district with which the Westboro district is merged. After the year's period during which the Westboro School District will operate it under the "emergency" status approved by the state. [The garbled syntax is in the original.] ¶ After the recent hearing at Westboro, the Westboro board and the board of the Medford district, to which the Westboro voters wish their district attached, met to discuss the situation. It was conducted jointly by Olah and Alvin Liske, president of the Medford area district..." |
| 5/18/1967 | Obituary & Westboro | MRS. GRITTNER, AN EARLY WESTBORO RESIDENT, STRICKEN "Services will be held at 1:30 p.m. today (Thursday) for Mrs. Herman Grittner, Sr., 84, member of an early Westboro family, who died early Tuesday at Memorial Hospital at Medford. ¶ Rose Freeck of Wausau, Christian Science Reader, will officiate, and burial will be in Mount Olive Cemetery at Wausau. ¶ The body was in state at the funeral home afternoon on Wednesday. ¶ The former Flora Gay was born in Westboro March 14, 1883. She was married to Mr. Grittner on July 4, 1920, at Westboro. She was a member of the Christian Science Church. ¶ Surviving are the husband, two daughters, Grace, Mrs. Roy Olson, Elgin, Illinois; and Myrtle, Mrs. John Potter, Spring Valley, California; four sons, Herman J. Grittner, Jr., and Earl O. Grittner, both of Westboro; Sydney C. Hume, Chicago, and Chester E. Hume, Sepulvada, California; two sisters, Myrtle, Mrs. Axel Peterson, Dorchester; and Pearl, Mrs. Arthur Bukowski, Cornell; a brother, George Gay, Minneapolis; 17 grandchildren and 25 great-grandchildren." |
| 5/18/1967 | Schools & Education | 47 GRADUATE FROM HIGH SCHOOL "Give each day of your life your best," the senior class motto, will be the theme of the address to be given at next Tuesday's commencement exercise by Patricia H. Hohl, valedictorian. ¶ Patricia, daughter of Mrs. Rose Hohl, Rib Lake, has been active in extra-curricular life for the school, in addition to her outstanding scholastic record. She is a member of the Pep Club, the chorus, the newspaper staff, the yearbook staff, participated in the style show and class play, and was a class officer. ¶ The salutatorian will be Miss Sherryl K. Sackmann, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Sackmann, Route 1. She is a member of the band, the Pep Club, Pep Band, the chorus, newspaper and yearbook staffs, was in the class play and style show, and participated in solo and ensemble musical competition. Her address will be titled "The Need for an Education." ¶ Commencement exercises for 47 members of the Rib Lake High School senior class will be held in the high school gymnasium on May 23 at 8:00 p.m. |

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| 5/18/1967 (cont) | Schools & Education (cont) | ¶ The class has chosen "Give each day of your life your best," as its class motto, selected cardinal and white as the class colors, and the red rose as the class flower. ¶ Speakers for the evening will be Patricial Hohl, who will deliver the valedictory address, Sherryl Sackmann, who will deliver the salutatory address, with other addresses being given by next ranking honor students, Kathleen Obenhoffer, Myrna Hoffmann and Nancy Resudek. ¶ The processional and recessional will be played by the Rib Lake High School band, with the invocation and benediction being given by the Rev. John Meyer, pastor of St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church. ¶ Musical numbers, as well as the class song, will be presented by various members of the senior class and the entire class, respectively. The senior class will be presented by supervising principal, Robert C. Becker, with diplomas being presented by Andrew Holzl, member of the board of education. |
| 5/18/1967 (cont) | Schools & Education (cont) | ¶ Commencement exercises will be preceded by the class day exercises, which will take place at the high school on Friday, May 19, which will be the last day for seniors, and by baccalaureate exercises, which will be held in the various churches on Sunday. ¶ Members of the graduating class are: Patricia A. Becker, Penny R. Blomberg, Edward B. Bohte, Luanne C. Bruegl, Steven R. Cihasky, Darlene M. Cisewski, Dennis N. Dassow, Gary L. Dressel, Judith K. Dressel, Judith L. Dyrz, Theodore D. Eisner, Cheryl L. Ewold, Beverly A. Fuchs, Edward F. Fuchs, Susan J. Gilge, Theresa M. Hebda, Myrna L. Hoffmann, Patricia L. Hohl, Colette K. Kauer, Norman L. Kutzke, Barbara J. Leonhard, Eugene E. Lind, Harvey A. Mann, James D. Manville, Robert A. Marschke, Lois M. Nye, Kathleen A. Obenhofer, Cheryl B. Olson, Patricia M. Patrick, Myron H. Peche, Gary A. Polacek, Nancy J. Resudek, and Myrna L. Hoffmann. ¶ Class officers are Lois Nye, President; James Surek, Vice President; Kathleen Obenhofer, Secretary; and Myrna Hoffmann, Treasurer." |
| 5/18/1967 (cont) | Schools & Education (cont) | |
| 5/18/1967 | Businesses | CHANGE BY STANDARD OIL "A change in the local operations of the Standard Oil Company was announced this week. ¶ As of Monday, Randall Weinke, who had served as local agent for the company since last fall, severed his connection. ¶ The territory which he had served will be served jointly by the agents at Medford and Prentice, Weinke said. ¶ He was informed that the bulk storage tanks near the Catholic Church, which had served Rib Lake for many years, will be removed." |

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| 5/18/1967 | Health & Rib Lake - Village | MAY 22-27 SPRING CLEAN-UP WEEK! "The village trucks will be utilized as long as needed in hauling garbage, ashes and other debris which has accumulated. ¶ The cooperation of all householders and business places is urgently requested in having all garbage and rubbish at the curb or at the side of the alley so that it may be removed easily. The trucks will not move onto private property to pick up rubbish. ¶ Whenever it is possible, rubbish must be placed in containers which can be handled by the collectors. ¶ Following this clean-up week, there will be a series of inspections of all properties in the village by the Village Health Officer, the Fire Chief, and representatives of the Village Board, to make certain that all safety, health and anti-nuisance laws are being complied with. ¶ Let's all cooperate to make our hometown one of which we can all be proud. ¶ BY THE VILLAGE BOARD, Village of Rib Lake." |
| 5/18/1967 | Church - Lutheran - St. John's | LUTHERAN CONFIRMATION "Confirmation for 10 young people was held at St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church Sunday. Those confirmed were Lee Clendenning, Jerry Gilge, Gary Annala, Dean Ziemke, Mike Glenzer, Joe Jonas, Carol Kutzke, Mary Ourada, Janice Eggert, and Arthur Marschke." |
| 5/18/1967 | Obituary | MRS. SILANPA BURIED "Funeral services were held at 2:00 p.m. last Saturday at First Lutheran Church at Ogema for Mrs. Matt Silanpa, 83, rural Ogema, who died last Wednesday at Memorial Hospital in Medford. ¶ The Rev. Luther Jacobson officiated, and burial was in the Finnish Cemetery in the Town of Hill. ¶ The body lay in state at the Mannel Funeral Home in Rib Lake. ¶ The former Elizabeth Jarvela was born in Finland on Sept. 26, 1883, and came to Ogema in 1905. She was married to Mr. Silanpa at Besemer, Michigan. He died Feb. 18, 1965..." |
| 5/18/1967 | Rib Lake Herald & Businesses | ADDING MACHINE PAPER "A new supply of standard-size, good quality rolls now on hand. Only 30 cents each, or 4 for \$1. Also on hand: standard-size staples, stock sales books, scratch pads. All reasonably priced at The Herald office." |
| 5/25/1967 | Obituary | STEVEN MINARCINY BURIED IN ILLINOIS "Funeral services were held last Saturday at Christ Lutheran Church in Clarington Hills, Illinois, for Steven Minarciny, 55, proprietor of the Little Bohemia Bowling Alleys, Bar and Restaurant, who died suddenly Wednesday morning at Memorial Hospital in LaGrange Park. ¶ Pastor Kay Engel officiated, and burial was in the Bohemian National Cemetery. ¶ ...Mr. Minarciny was born in Chicago Jan. 29, 1912, and was married to Adele in 1941. He had been a policeman in the earlier days, and from 1947-1965, operated a service station and body shop in Brookfield. He purchased the old Gessert farm east of the village as a retirement home in 1965, and became proprietor of the Little Bohemia establishment last fall. He was a member of the Rib Lake Commercial and Civic Club, and the Rib Lake Lions Club. |
| 5/25/1967 (cont) | Obituary (cont) | ¶ Surviving are two children, Steve, Jr., who had been on duty with the Army in England, and arrived home Friday night, a daughter, Arlene, a sister, Mrs. Anna Remias, an aunt and two uncles. ¶ Aside from the family, among those attending the funeral were Mr. and Mrs. Donald Coleman, Mrs. Rudolph Kapitz, and Mr. and Mrs. Tom Polacek, all of Rib Lake. ¶ Mrs. Remias, Arlene and Steve, Jr., returned to Rib Lake on Tuesday." |

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| 5/25/1967 | Entertainment | NEW SOFTBALL LEAGUE "The newly-organized Rib Lake softball league got off to a swinging start last Tuesday evening when the teams played their first official game of the season. Encountering each other for the game, the results were the following teams: Fumbles 17, Blomberg 4; Raatz 12, Spirit 1; and Zondlos bye...." |
| 5/25/1967 | Entertainment | PEE-WEE TO PRACTICE "First practice for some 36 youngsters who will participate in this season's pee-wee baseball league will be held Monday, May 29, at the high school flats. ¶ Wayne Bullis, who, with Walter Wilhelms, is supervising the program for the volunteer fire department, said that Monday is the deadline for individual payments of the 50 cents which will provide insurance for the youngsters." |
| 5/25/1967 | Fire | DAMAGE IS LOW IN FOREST FIRES "The presence of the Rib Lake Volunteer Fire Department at the William Kane rural home on Highway 102 northeast of the village, prevented what might have been serious damage to the home last Thursday. ¶ It was a rather unusual set of circumstances. The Department was called at 5:30 p.m., and when the truck arrived, the firemen found a small fire in the hardwoods north of the home. ¶ A youngster had been playing there with a can of gasoline and matches. ¶ The firemen had the woods fire under control when a garden tiller, sitting next to the home, suddenly burst into flames. A blanket covering the device became ignited, apparently from a spark from the forest fire, and then the gasoline tank started to burn. ¶ The fire in the tiller |
| 5/25/1967 (cont) | Fire (cont) | ¶ Ranger Irv Thorstenson of Medford reported another fire Saturday, which might have been more serious. Children playing with matches near South Twin Lake in the Town of Molitor, started a forest fire which could have destroyed a valuable timber and recreation area. ¶ The smoke was sighted by Howard Anthony at the Rindt Fire Tower, and when the truck from Medford arrived, the crew was able to confine the blaze to an area of about 30 x 70 feet." |
| 5/25/1967 | Schools & People | GIVE EACH DAY OF YOUR LIFE YOUR BEST By Patricia Hohl, Valedictorian "What better motto could we, as a [high school] class, have chosen to be our guiding principle than the simple words "Give each day of your life your best"? These words hold the key to success in any future we may assume. ¶ As we leave Rib Lake High School tonight, we will be entering a world that is no utopia. We will be looked upon as adults. It is true, we have waited for the day that we would receive our high school diplomas and be about the business of making a life for ourselves. But, now the time has arrived, and we find ourselves free of parental jurisdiction: and ready to make our own way. We must admit we are desperately in need of some criterion to help us make the adjustment that will give us the right and the courage to enter an arena of intense competition - to go into a world that is engaged in the struggle to protect the God-given rights of man from being overcome by the Red Army of Hate, which is known as Communism. |
| 5/25/1967 (cont) | Schools & People (cont) | ¶ We are about to become an infinitesimal part of a complicated human machine. This machine is composed of the honest and the dishonest, the energetic and the slackers, the leaders and the followers. There are those that are destructive critics. ¶ What will we be? If we are not ambitious to be leaders, then we must be interested followers. If we wish to be critics, then we must be constructive critics. We must, of necessity, be informed about political affairs and moral issues. The road will not be easy. We will be forced to commit ourselves on many important |

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| 5/31/1967 | People & Schools | REUNION IS JUNE 10 "The 50-year reunion of Rib Lake High School 1917 graduating class will be held in the Little Bohemia Restaurant on Saturday evening, June 10, Harry Talbot, Tripoli, committee chairman, announces. ¶ The dinner is scheduled for 7:00 p.m. and later members of the class will be happy to visit former classmates who attended school at the time and other old friends. Talbot said that several former teachers are expected to attend. Class members and teachers will be accompanied by their wives or husbands. ¶ Members of the class include Talbot, Mrs. Toby Hendrickson, Iron River, Michigan; Charles Timm, Marble, Minnesota; Sister M. Fernando, Superior, Wis. |
| 6/1/1967 | Rib Lake Herald & People & Rusch | SUNNY SIDE OF THE STREET "Originally published May 30, 1957. ¶ The bridal shower Saturday night, preceding the approaching Knop-Nordgren nuptials, was one of those standing-room-only affairs. The good wishes piled high as the gifts, and a fine point was made on the groom's slyness in snaring "a girl who could cook." (Phyl has been teaching Home-Ec this past year.) ¶ Then her uncle, Fritz Knop, threw a wrench into the machinery. His presence was a lavish box of canned goods - with all labels neatly removed from the cans! While stoutly denying that there is any dog food, roofing tar, liquid soap or such mingled with the pantry shelf items, we wonder. ¶ Fritzie, Knop's wife, said she was sure the box was full of good things. |
| 6/1/1967 | Clubs/Orders & Environment | SCOUTS CAMP ON ISLAND "Troop 333 of the Boy Scouts at Medford, and the Westboro troop are planning a 3-day camporee on Pine Island in Rib Lake on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, June 23, 24 and 25. John Eckhoff and George Thums will coordinate transportation to and from the island. ¶ Youngsters will be accompanied by their Scoutmasters, Daryl Wendt, Medford, and Douglas Peterson, Westboro. Tom Hansen, Taylor County Game Manager for the Wisconsin Conservation Dept., will also be a camper, integrating a nature study program." |
| 6/8/1967 | Schools | TEACHERS ENTERTAIN BOARD "Members of the Rib Lake School District Board of Education and their wives were guests of the Rib Lake area teachers, at their annual post-season luncheon held on Wednesday noon of last week at Vanucha's Lakeview Resort on Big Spirit Lake." |
| 6/8/1967 | Law | YOUTH LOSES LICENSE "Richard Synol, 22, Rib Lake, was fined \$125 and costs in county court at Medford last week on his plea of guilty to a charge of driving a car while under the influence of liquor. ¶ His driver's license was revoked for a year. ¶ The defendant was a driver of a car which left Highway C southeast of the village early on May 29, and ended up in the Rib River. The car went off the west shoulder, traveled about 75 feet in a ditch, and another 50 feet into the river, remaining upright. ¶ At the time of the investigation by Deputy Frank Filas, Synol said he was blinded by the light of an oncoming car, which caused him to lose control." |

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| 6/8/1967 | Health | NEW DEVICE SET AT CLINIC "A device which was purchased from funds donated to a memorial for the late John (Bud) Freeck is in daily use at the Rib Lake Clinic, and its use has resulted in the savings of much valuable time in making blood tests. ¶ The "unimeter" makes 5 different tests, several of which could not be made locally previously, and had to be made at a hospital. ¶ They include the test for blood glucose, hemoglobin, blood urea, nitrogen, cholesterol and uric acid. ¶ The device is electronically controlled. Technicians from Wausau, who were here last week for the area blood bank, viewed the new equipment and said it was the latest of its kind. Dr. S.F. Hesse is pleased with it. ¶ The Freeck memorial fund was \$500, and the cost of the device was slightly in excess of that figure." |
| 6/8/1967 | Harper Lake | WAY APPARENTLY CLEARED FOR USE OF HARPER BEACH "The swimming situation at South Harper Lake beach seemed to be near a solution for a summer Tuesday evening, when the members of the Commercial & Civic Club, which has sponsored the beach for many years, were informed that it has a 99-year lease on most of the property in question. ¶ Members of the committee in charge of the matter, since it was reported that adjacent property owners had made some objections to use of the beach, were informed by Chairman Fred Vlach, of the Town of Rib Lake, which owns access to the lake, that a search in the Register of Deeds office revealed a 99-year lease, made out about 20 years ago to the club by Phil Arnold, then owner of part of the property, to the club. ¶ The members then voted to proceed with the construction of the new swimming raft, with a committee headed by Keith |
| 6/8/1967 | Obituary | FINAL SERVICE FOR WALTER GUMS, 75, HELD WEDNESDAY "Services were held at 2:00 p.m. Wednesday at the Mannel Funeral Home for Walter Gums, 75, a well-known painter and decorator before his retirement, who died Saturday at the Veterans Hospital at Wood, Wisconsin, after a long illness. ¶ The Rev. Luther Jacobson of Ogema officiated, and burial was in the Lakeview Cemetery. ¶ Pallbearers were Albert Goodman, Walter Schneider, James Downs, Herman Monske, Ed Prien, and Oscar Olson. ¶ The body was in state at the funeral home from noon Tuesday until the funeral. ¶ Mr. Gums was born in Wausau, and worked in Minneapolis before coming to Rib Lake, where he married Jennie Banks on June 19, 1917. He served in the US Army during the First World War, and after his discharge, returned to Rib Lake where he was employed by the lumber company and later |
| 6/8/1967 | Fire | ELECTRIC FENCING BLAMED FOR FIRES "Electric fence, which set fire to dried weeds and brush against it, was blamed for three forest fires in the county, reported last week by Ervin Thorstenson, Forest Ranger at Medford. ¶ More than 17 acres in the Town of Medford were burned Tuesday when a fire was sighted by the lookout at the Rib River Fire Tower. The loss on the land of Peter Hendricks included several balsam trees, a number of fence posts, and there was some damage to hardwood trees. ¶ An electric fence, which was believed to have been knocked down by a deer, resulted in a fire which covered 2-1/2 acres of land owned by Cliff Edelburg in Section 23 in the Town of Greenwood on Friday. It was sighted from both the Rib River and Ogema fire towers. There was a smaller fire Tuesday on the David Potaczek property in Section 20, Town of Medford. ¶ Ranger Thorstenson urged all landowners to use extreme caution with electric fencing, especially of the weed-burning types, during dry periods." |

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| 6/8/1967 | Rib Lake Herald | BAN LONG TRUCKS! "The weekly report from Madison by Assemblyman Joe Sweda revealed some interesting and not very well-publicized facts concerning Governor Knowles safety program, which has passed the state senate and is awaiting action in the state assembly. ¶ These facts involved the estimated cost of the measure, if and when it is passed. Not only will it increase penalties for traffic violations, which appears to us to be proper, but it will also increase the cost of licenses - car as well as drivers. ¶ It would require periodic inspection of motor vehicles, at least a per-car cost estimated at a minimum of \$3. That, too, we think, is proper, because there are many accidents caused by faulty vehicles, although most of them are caused by faulty drivers. ¶ Add to the cost of repairs, which these examinations will reveal as needed, and the total cost of the measure could amount to \$19 or more, during the next two years. ¶ Hang the cost if it will save lives, but the people still should know about it in advance! |
| 6/8/1967 (cont) | Rib Lake Herald (cont) | ¶ One great objection will come in the assembly, of course, to the implied consent feature, which means that if a driver accused of driving under the influence of liquor declines to take a test, his license can be suspended. ¶ And the greatest objection, still, will come against the minimum 21-year beer drinking age, which the governor favors. There is a lot to be said on both sides of this question, and regardless of what age is adopted, it should be uniform. There should be no local option by counties. ¶ Motor travel from a county where the minimum beer drinking age is 21, to another where it is 18, has led to many accidents, especially in the Milwaukee area. ¶ The Governor should add another plank to his safety program - and that is solid opposition on his part to the measure which would legalize solid-bottom 65-foot trucks on Wisconsin highways. ¶ That is as important as some of the features of his |
| 6/8/1967 | War - Soldiers | JAMES PACKENHAM DISCHARGED "Corporal James R. Packenham, son of Mr. and Mrs. Emil Packenham, arrived home last Friday after completing 4 years in the US Marine Corps. ¶ He received his discharge from the Second Marine Division, FMF, Camp Lejeune, North Carolina. ¶ He served in Okinawa, Vietnam, and the |
| 6/15/1967 | Schools & Education | PETITION FOR WESTBORO SCHOOLS TO JOIN WITH RIB LAKE DISTRICT "An apparent change of sentiment among electors in the Westboro School District was revealed this week, with the formal notice that 234 individuals have petitioned to have all of the district, except that part in the Town of Chelsea, attached to the Rib Lake School District. ¶ A formal hearing on the petition will be held at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, June 26, by the Agency School Committee of Cooperative Education Service Agency #2 in the high school gym at Westboro. ¶ The committee had scheduled a similar meeting at Westboro several weeks ago on a petition to dissolve the Westboro district and attach it to the Medford district. ¶ The hearing was not held because of a technicality, and the State |
| 6/15/1967 (cont) | Schools & Education (cont) | ¶ The Westboro district previously had been notified that it no longer was eligible for integrated aid, and electors of the district felt it would be financially impossible to continue the operation without help from the state. ¶ The current petition was signed by Robert Lucia, Westboro, and 233 other electors from the Westboro district, according to the legal notice, published on the last page of this issue. ¶ The Agency School Committee has the authority to determine matters of school district consolidation, serving in a similar capacity to that of the county |

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| 6/15/1967 | Agriculture | NOTICE TO FARMERS "Cooper Cheese Company, Inc., at Westboro, has now been running 7 months and we are running more than twice as much milk as we had at the start. We want to thank you for helping us get going and to let you know we can still use more milk. Remember, no contract to sign!" |
| 6/22/1967 | Obituary & Westboro | MRS. DIAUTE DIES AT NURSING HOME "Funeral services were held Wednesday morning at St. Theresa's Catholic Church at Westboro for Mrs. Jennie Diaute, 90, a former Westboro resident, who died Monday at the Golden Age Nursing Home here. ¶ The Rev. A.J. Hanchak, pastor, officiated, and burial was in Mount Olive Cemetery. ¶ The body was in state at the Mannel Funeral Home from Tuesday noon until the time of the funeral. ¶ The former Jennie Cipozzi was married to Prosper Diaute at Westboro in June, 1897. He died several years ago. |
| 6/22/1967 | Agriculture & Clubs/Orders | DAIRY POSTERS DISPLAYED "Posters for the Dairy Food Promotion poster contest, sponsored by Pure Milk Products Cooperative, were judged by Miss Hornick and Mel Shafel of the Phillips Extension office. First, second and third prizes were awarded, respectively, to Janice Donaldson, Grace Donaldson, and Dudley Donaldson, all of the Hillbillies 4-H Club. These and the other posters are on display in the stores in Rib Lake." |
| 6/29/1967 | Obituary & RLLC | PETE CARSTENS DIES "Services were held Tuesday at 3:30 p.m. at the Mannel Funeral Home for Peter Carstensen, 79, a long-time resident of the community, who died Sunday at the Golden Age Home. ¶ The Rev. Richard W. Neal officiated, and burial was in Lakeview Cemetery. ¶ The pallbearers were Emil Gnotke, Ed Prien, Herman Monske, Martin Schinker, Victor Kohn, and William Georg. ¶ He was born in Little Black on Feb. 12, 1888, a member of an early Taylor County family, and for many years was employed by the RLLC, operating the carriage, before the mill closed. He had lived at the Central and National Hotels following his retirement, and at the Golden Age Home for the past year or more. ¶ He was unmarried. ¶ The nearest survivor is a sister, Mrs. Eward Doeritz, and he also had several nieces and nephews. He was generally known in the community as "Pete" Carstens." |
| 7/13/1967 | People & Harper Lake & Rusch | MIKE SCHMIDTS WED 60 YEARS "Mr. and Mrs. Mike Schmidt, known better as "Pa" and "Ma" to their many relatives and friends, celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary last Saturday at Harper Lake, where they have lived for more than 50 years. ¶ The celebration was in the form of an outdoor gathering - with refreshments and dinner at the Albert Knop cottage on North Harper Lake. ¶ The children and their spouses are Mr. and Mrs. William Silbernagel (Marie), Caramat, Ontario, Canada; Mr. and Mrs. Bill Schmidt, Elmwood Park, Illinois; Mr. and Mrs. Albert Knop (Helen), Marshfield; and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Coughlan (Ruth), Chicago. ¶ The grandchildren attending were William Silbernagel and family, Carmel, Michigan; Allen Knop and family, Madison; Mike Knop and a girlfriend from Camp McCoy; the Gordon Nordgren family (Phyllis Knop), West Bend; the Glen Mathias family |

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| 7/13/1967 (cont) | People & Harper Lake & Rusch (cont) | ¶ Ella Krause and Mike Schmidt, both natives of Wood County, were married at Dixon, Missouri, on July 9, 1907, Mike having followed the neighboring Krause family to Missouri when they moved there to farm. Their daughter, Marie, and son, William, were born in Missouri before they moved back to Marshfield, where Helen was born. ¶ In 1914, the family moved to a farm on North Harper Lake, now the Camp Carter site, which they maintained until 1942, when they built their present house on adjoining property and undertook the management of Harper Lake Resort. ¶ The resort was built on property owned by the Schmidts, by Joe Brown in the middle 20's, and has operated under a series of managers and/or owners. ¶ Their fourth child, Ruth, Mrs. Coughlan, was born on this farm. ¶ Mr. and Mrs. Schmidt served on the James Lake School Board for 20 years, and Mr. Schmidt was town road commissioner for as many years. ¶ They are both still in fair health, physically, and "sharp as a tack" otherwise." |
| 7/20/1967 (cont) | Environment & Politics Environment & Politics (cont) | LAIRD HERE FRIDAY TO CHECK AREA IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS "Congressman Melvin R. Laird will head a group of federal, state, county and local officials, and other interested individuals, who will make a tour of resource conservation and developments in a three-county area Friday...¶ The following descriptions of two local projects are taken from the Pri-Ru-Ta Tour Guide, which will be given to those participating. ¶ RIB LAKE IMPROVEMENT "Low water levels, during summer months, has been a problem at Rib Lake for many years. Since the lake is a valuable recreation asset and provides considerable income, a solution to the problem was sought. A request for assistance was made to the sponsors of the Pri-Ru-Ta Resource Conservation Development Program in March, 1964. ¶ "Investigation showed a need for a system of dikes and channels, and a head control ¶ "Preliminary details necessary were construction work completed by March of 1965. Sealed bids for construction will open on April 2. The contract was awarded to James Peterson and Sons, Inc., of Medford, for \$7,902. Construction was started on April 6. High waters caused several delays, and all construction was finally completed on July 20. ¶ Funds for this project were provided by the Taylor County people through the Taylor County Board of Supervisors. ¶ "This project has completed the following: 1. Improve the water quality of Rib Lake; 2. Provided a positive outlet for effluent from the sewage treatment plan; 3. Provided a valuable wildlife area and breeding ground; 4. Stabilize lake levels at most desirable height; 5. Reduce flood hazards to the sewage treatment plant; 6. |
| 8/10/1967 | Obituary | SOUTHWELL ROSENFELDT STRICKEN AT HOSPITAL; FUNERAL SERVICE TODAY "Services were to be held today (Thursday) at 6:30 a.m. from the Mannel Funeral Home, and at 10:00 a.m. at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, for Southwell H. Rosenfeldt, 54, a Rib Lake businessman for many years, who died Monday morning at Memorial Hospital, Medford, after a serious illness of several weeks. ¶ The Rev. Werner Hemmelgarn was to officiate, and burial will be in the Lakeview Cemetery. The body was in state at the funeral home, where Holy Name Rosary Services were conducted Wednesday evening. ¶ Pallbearers are Frank Yanko, Vernon Bruegl, Verl Bokath, Meinrad Kathrein, Joseph Heisler, and Henry Jenson. ¶ Mr. Rosenfeldt, more popularly known as "St." |

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| 8/10/1967 (cont) | Obituary (cont) | ¶ He was married to Miss Lucille Lehman here on April 28, 1944. He served in the United States Army, mostly in the Pacific area, from 1941 until 1945. He operated a downtown tavern, and later purchased the Lakeside Tavern, on the north shore of the lake, which he had operated since. He also had been a school bus driver for many years. ¶ He was a member of the Catholic congregation, the American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars, and the Catholic War Veterans, and was active in the Rib Lake Fish & Game Assoc. ¶ Surviving are the widow, two daughters, |
| 8/10/1967 | Education | DR. OLIVER NAMED DEAN AT MEDFORD "Dr. Russell Oliver, associate profession of education at Wisconsin State University-Stevens Point, has been appointed Dean of the Medford branch campus by Dr. Gordon Haferbecker, WSU Acting President, Assemblyman Joe Sweda announced this week. ¶ The Medford branch campus, which will be attached to the WSU-Stevens Point, is expected to open in the fall of 1969. ¶ Dr. Oliver will spend half of his year in the WSU Department of Education, and the other half in planning the Medford campus. He is presently engaged in preparing a federal application for building funds, and designing the curriculum. ¶ The campus will use the facilities of the Taylor County Teacher's College building, which is one of the newest state college buildings in the state. The county has hired an architectural firm for further building plans on the land |
| 8/24/1967 | Greenwood & Church - Catholic - St. Ann's | ST. ANN'S CHURCH SCENE OF SISTER'S 25TH CELEBRATION "St. Ann's Church, Town of Greenwood, witnessed an historical occasion last Saturday when Sister M. Estelle, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Henry Fuchs, celebrated her 25th anniversary as a Sister of the Congregation of the Sorrowful Mother. ¶ The celebration began with holy mass celebrated by her cousin, the Rev. Fred Fox, S.V.D., who happened to be on leave from his missionary work in North Wales, Great Britain. ¶ Also in the sanctuary was Msgr. William Smits, former pastor of St. Ann's, and now in retirement in Greenwood. It was he who baptized both Sister M. Estelle and Fr. Fox as infants in this church. He is also responsible for St. Ann's Church being preserved now as a historic shrine, a tribute to the |
| 8/24/1967 (cont) | Greenwood & Church - Catholic - St. Ann's (cont) | ¶ Sister M. Estelle joined the congregation after completing a year of nurse's training in their hospital at Marshfield. Since then she has been engaged mainly in teaching, having received her teacher's training in Milwaukee. At present, she is stationed in Milwaukee at the Mother of Sorrows convent, where she directs and serves as coordinator of the community's self-study for renewal according to the directives of the recent Vatican Council." |

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| 8/24/1967 | Schools | DETAILED PROGRAMS FOR SCHOOLS IN AREA REVEALED BY OFFICIALS - WESTBORO READY TO HAUL HIGH SCHOOL PUPILS "Westboro grade school pupils and high school pupils from Westboro who will attend Rib Lake High School, will register next Monday, August 28. ¶ The announcement was made by Harlan Wingfield, business manager and science teacher for the school, upon his return this week from summer school in Arizona. ¶ Wingfield said his latest tabulation indicated that 34 of the high school pupils will attend Rib Lake High, 5 will go to Prentice High, and the remaining 50 or 51 to Medford High, which will open at a later date, as the new high school building is not ready for occupancy. ¶ On the registration day, the pupils will appear at Westboro at 8:00 a.m. and will be dismissed at 11:00 a.m. ¶ The matter of transporting the high school students to the other locations, in addition to the grade school pupils, has resulted in a number of technical problems, but Wingfield said the tentative schedule calls for all of the pupils to arrive on the early buses at 8:00 a.m. and assemble in the gym..." |
| 8/31/1967 | Greenwood & Obituary | LAWRENCE THUMS STRICKEN; FUNERAL HELD ON TUESDAY "Funeral services were held at 10:00 a.m. Tuesday at St. Ann's Catholic Church in the Town of Greenwood for Lawrence Thums, 79, a member of an early Town of Greenwood family, who died Friday at his farm home. ¶ The Rev. A.J. Hanchak officiated, and burial was in the church cemetery. ¶ Pallbearers were Florian Turba, Carl Thums, Clarence Schreiner, Vincent Kramer, Joe Pertmer, and Joe Dums, Jr. ¶ Mr. Thums, born in the Town of Greenwood, was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Thums, pioneer residents, and had lived there all of his life. He was unmarried. ¶ He served in the army during WWI and was a member of the Legion and the Catholic Order of Foresters. After St. Ann's Church became inactive, he transferred his membership to the Church of the Assumption of the Virgin Mary at Chelsea. ¶ Surviving |
| 8/31/1967 | People | MARY ROSE ZONDLO BECOMES BRIDE OF MR. GUMZ AUGUST 19 "Making their home at Westboro are Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gumz, who were married at an 11:00 a.m. ceremony August 19 at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church. ¶ The bride is the former Mary Rose Zondlo, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Zondlo, Route 1, Rib Lake, and the groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Gumz of Dorchester. ¶ The Rev. Werner Hemmelgarn officiated. ¶ Miss Dorothy Woellner of Minneapolis, a classmate, was maid of honor, and the other attendants were Mary Lou Zondlo and Kathy Padula, both cousins of the bride from Minneapolis. ¶ Another cousin, little Peggy Padula, was flower girl. ¶ Dr. Joseph Zondlo, Philadelphia, brother of the bride, served as best man, and the groomsmen were Kenneth Gumz, brother of the groom, and William Gumz, his cousin, both of Dorchester. |

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| 8/31/1967 (cont) | People (cont) | ¶ Some 500 guests attended the dinner at the church parlors, a reception and supper at the Zondlo hall in the evening, followed by a dance. ¶ The groom, who attended schools at Dorchester, is manager of the Cooper Cheese Company, factory at Westboro. The bride, a graduate of Rib Lake High School and St. Mary's School of Nursing at Wausau, has been employed as a registered nurse at the University of Minnesota Medical Center. ¶ The couple enjoyed a two-week honeymoon to the Black Hills, Yellowstone Park, and California." |
| 8/31/1967 | Obituary & War Soldiers | PFC. ROBERT HEISER, 19, IS AREA'S FIRST CASUALTY IN VIETNAM CONFLICT "The area's first casualty in the war in Vietnam came on Tuesday of last week when Pfc. Robert Allen Heiser, 19, son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Heiser, Sr., Route 1, was killed in action. ¶ Heiser has served with the Marines in Vietnam for just two weeks, having arrived there on August 8. ¶ Funeral services will be held at 2:00 p.m. Saturday in St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church, where the Rev. John Meyer will officiate. Burial will be in Lakeview Cemetery. ¶ The body was |
| 8/31/1967 | Spirit & Businesses | HOLLY'S RESORT SOLD "Sale by Mr. and Mrs. Joe Holly of Holly's Resort on Stone Lake, on Route 1, Ogema, was announced this week. ¶ The new owners are Edward Dilley of Beloit, and his son-in-law, Lawrence Plude, of Rockford, Illinois. ¶ They plan to continue the operation of the tavern and the main lodge, and will serve short-order meals to accommodate cottage guests and the public in general. They will continue rental of boats and sale of bait. ¶ The new name "Pic-A-Dilley Resort" will take the place of "Holly's Resort." The Pludes have four daughters who are attending school here. ¶ Mr. and Mrs. Holly bought the establishment about 18 years ago, from Mr. and Mrs. Ed Hopper. They came here after operating a mill and general store at Shoto, in Manitowoc County, and have spent their winters there since. They left last Saturday." |

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| 9/7/1967 | Businesses | GEORGE BUKSA NEW OWNER OF HOPPA RESORT "Grand opening of George's Resort, formerly Hoppa's, on the southeast shore of Rib Lake, will be held Sunday afternoon, according to George Buksa, Jr., the new owner. ¶ Mr. and Mrs. John J. Hoppa have operated the resort and beer bar for the past 13 years. ¶ Buksa, who also operates George's Tap on Main Street [McComb Ave.] in the Village, plans to convert the 92-acre tract into a year-round family recreation center. He is planning a baseball field, tennis court, bridal path, snowmobile routes, horseshoe courts, and a rifle range. ¶ He also plans new cabins and other expansion at the tract, which has approximately 1800 feet of shoreline. ¶ Assisting in the operation, at the present time, are his brother Mike, who, with his wife, have returned from Jackson, and are now in the living quarters above George's Tap, and Steve Andrasik, Milwaukee. Mr. and Mrs. Mike Buksa are former operators of the 102 Tavern southwest of the village. ¶ George Buksa announces that he will conduct a contest for name of the new operation, with a prize to be a week's free vacation there. Entries should be mailed to him by Oct. 18." |
| 9/7/1967 | People | "OLD-TIMERS" MEET AGAIN "Some folks who used to get together - well, say 45 years ago - at the Rib Lake Town Hall, gathered there again on Saturday afternoon for a period of handshaking and reminiscing. ¶ It wasn't very formal - it was just "old time" Rib Lake people meeting each other again, in the old town hall where they often met in the "olden days." ¶ Adolph Walbeck provided the music, and some who probably haven't danced too much lately, tried it again and remembered how much fun it used to be. ¶ Anyone who lived here 45 years ago will recognize the names, and here they are: Mr. and Mrs. John Samson, Belville; Mr. and Mrs. Harry Johnson, Cornell; Mr. and Mrs. Anton Hoffman, Menasha; Mrs. Emma Ellerman, California; Mr. and Mrs. Joe Enders, Lauren, Michigan; Mrs. Anna Snyder, Marshfield; Mrs. Emma Grund and Mr. and Mrs. Freemont Woller, Merrill; Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Zuther, Colby; Mr. and Mrs. Harry Knop, Lake Geneva; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Knop, Rochester, Minnesota. |
| 9/7/1967 (cont) | People (cont) | ¶ Also Viola Lynch and Charles Knop, Fox Lake, Illinois; Mrs. Elsie Ramsey, Detroit; Mr. and Mrs. Ray Herman, Harper Lake Road; Mrs. Bertha Kurth, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Feldbrugge, Mr. and Mrs. John Ruesch (sic), Miss Marie Lamberty, and Herman Ruesch (sic), and son, Tom, all of Milwaukee. ¶ Also Mrs. Anna Themar, Mr. and Mrs. A.J. Brost, Mr. and Mrs. James Samson, and Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Lamberty, all of Medford; plus from Rib Lake, Mrs. Anna Bleck [nee Rusch], Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hengst, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Kelnhofer, Mrs. Elsa Hein, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Olson, Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Walbeck, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Jarchow, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Mielke, Mr. and Mrs. Emil Krushat, Mr. and Mrs. Vic Kohn, John Brahmer, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Seidel, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Schwartz, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Radtke, Mr. and Mrs. Glen Hanifen, and Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Knop. ¶ Potluck lunch and attendance awards, besides." |

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| 9/7/1967 | Schools | 655 ENROLLED IN DISTRICT SCHOOLS "A total of 655 students have been enrolled in Rib Lake District schools for the year, Robert C. Becker, administrator, reported on Monday. ¶ The enrollments, by individual schools, are Clearview (Rib Lake Elementary), 146; Junior High in Rib Lake, 153; 5th grade, in junior high building, 23; special education, 9; Greenwood Elementary School, 66; Rib River School, 44; Rib Lake High School, 218. ¶ The high school enrollment is 61 freshman; 59 sophomores; 56 juniors; and 42 seniors..." |
| 9/7/1967 | Obituary & Greenwood | MRS. F. STEINMAN BURIED SATURDAY "Funeral services were held Saturday at 2:00 p.m. in St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church in the Town of Greenwood, for Mrs. Fred Steinman, 79, who died at her home on Route 1, Rib Lake, on Thursday. ¶ The Rev. Roger Vomhof officiated, and burial was in St. Peter's Church cemetery. ¶ Pallbearers were Daniel and Dennis Steinman, David Dassow, Art Freiboth, Fred Freiboth, and Bernard Scholz. ¶ The body was in state at the Mannel Funeral Home. ¶ Martha Hilda Peche was born in the Town of Greenwood on May 11, 1888, a member of an early Town of Greenwood family. She was married to Fred Steinman on Sept. 28, 1909, at St. Peter's Church, where she was a charter member. She was also an active member of the Ladies Aid Society of the congregation. Mr. Steinman died Mar. 8, 1958. Surviving are 5 daughters, Annie, Mrs. L. Scholz, Rib Lake; Edith, Mrs. L. Williams, Clinton; Fred, Mrs. L. Williams, Clinton; and Margaret, Mrs. L. Williams, Clinton. |
| 10/5/1967 | People & Greenwood | JOHN H. DUMS' IN GOLDEN WEDDING "More than 120 friends and relatives gathered at St. Ann's Church in the Town of Greenwood last Saturday to help Mr. and Mrs. John H. Dums, Sr., celebrate their 50 years of marriage. ¶ The Very Rev. William Smits, who as a parish priest, presided at the original wedding at St. John the Baptist Church, on Oct. 30, 1907, officiated at the high mass. ¶ All of the attendants who served the couple 50 years ago were present for the anniversary. They were Mrs. Vincent Kraemer, Route 1, Rib Lake, the former Annie Dums; Anton Kolecheck, Detroit, Michigan; Mrs. Peter Sluis, Hamilton, Michigan; the former Edith Kolecheck; and Joe A. Dums, Route 1, Rib Lake. ¶ The bride, the former Margaret Kolecheck, was born on Sept. 4, 1892, at Columbus, Ohio. ¶ They lived in Rib Lake for a time after the marriage, and then moved to the Town of Greenwood, where he farmed until his retirement several years ago. They have been active members of their parish. He is a member of the Men's Catholic Order of Foresters, and she is of the Christian's Mothers Confraternity. ¶ Mrs. Dorothy Obenhofer was organist for the church service, and members of the former St. Ann's choir sang. The altar flowers were a gift from Miss Kate Karl. ¶ There are 8 children, and all were present, with their families, for the celebration. They include Joseph Dums, Bernard Dums, Donald Dums, Helen Dums, John Dums, Jr., and Marcella Dums, all of Route 1; Regina, Mrs. Louis Czerniak, Westboro; and Margaret, Mrs. Lloyd Vickers, Owen. All of the 26 grandchildren, and all of the honored couple's brothers and sisters were present. ¶ Out of town guests included Mr. |
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| 10/5/1967 | People & Entertainment | MARLIN WALBECK WINS PRIZE "Marlin Walbeck achieved Sunday what he admits is the apex of his 15-year stockcar racing career, when he captured the national short track championship for late-model stock cars at Rockford, Illinois. ¶ He brought back the trophy to prove it, admitting that the victory was his biggest thrill in hundreds of races. ¶ The trophy is the Schlitz-Buchman Hall award, won in a 200-lap race on a 1/3 mile asphalt track. ¶ Eric Johnson, point leader, from Chicago, led for 126 laps, and Walbeck, driving his old reliable Chevy, overtook him on the 127th lap and stayed in front to the finish. ¶ 32 cars, driven by outstanding drivers from all through the Middle West, started the race, and 14 finished. ¶ Otherwise, Marlin has been racing all summer, as usual, and has had what he admits, is an "only fair" season, being plagued by mechanical and other troubles, all of which have to be expected." |
| 10/12/1967 | Obituary & Mud Lake | ANTON KAUER DIES AFTER A LONG ILLNESS "Funeral services were held at 10:00 a.m. Monday in St. John the Baptist Catholic Church for Anton Kauer, 70, member of an early family, who died Friday at Memorial Hospital in Medford after a long illness. ¶ The Rev. Werner Hemmelgarn officiated, and was assisted by the Rev. John Kauer, Doble, a cousin. ¶ Nephews served as pallbearers, Clayton, Francis, James, and Bernard Kauer, David Rhody and Gayland Van Hecker. ¶ He was born here on March 2, 1897, and farmed in the Mud Lake area. He was married to Miss Isabel Bonde on Oct. 16, 1934, and was a member of the Catholic parish and the Catholic Order of Foresters. ¶ Surviving are the widow, two brothers, John Kauer, Milwaukee; and Peter Kauer, Rib Lake; and four sisters, Katherine, Mrs. Lawrence Van Hecker, Rib Lake; Christine, Mrs. Marion Blaire, Las Vegas, Nevada; |
| 10/26/1967 | Businesses | STOCKHOLDERS TO SELL LAKE THEATRE BUILDING "A decision to liquidate the Rib Lake Theatre Company by selling the New Lake Theatre building and its equipment, was made by stockholders of the company in a meeting on Wednesday night of last week. ¶ In an advertisement found elsewhere in this issue, the corporation is asking for proposals for purchase of the building, with or without equipment. The building will be sold for the best price offered, Elmer J. Taylor, secretary-treasurer, said. ¶ The building was constructed more than 20 years ago, and operated by several owners and several other parties who leased it. It closed for the last time about 10 years ago, the advent of television making motion pictures no longer profitable in a small community. |
| 10/26/1967 (cont) | Businesses (cont) | ¶ Original cost of the structure, built after the war, when materials were in short supply, was in excess of \$60,000. There are 17 remaining stockholders, and all were present or represented at the meeting. ¶ Edmund Stamm is president of the corporation; Harold Zielke, vice president; Taylor, secretary-treasurer; and Herman Smith and John Steen directors. ¶ The building includes the main arena-type theatre section, and a small addition to the south, facing on Main Street (McComb Ave.) which is now the location of Butch's Bar, located on Main and |

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| 10/26/1967 | Businesses | RIB'S IS THE NAME "A party marking the new name of George Buksa's place across the lake, formerly Hoppa's Resort, will be held this Saturday night. ¶ The new name of the establishment is "The Ribs," indicating the fact that it is in the Village of Rib Lake, is on Rib Lake, and is adjacent to the Rib River. ¶ The winning name was submitted by Pat McLaughlin, 1111 N. 11th Street, Superior, and she will receive a week's free vacation at the Ribs. Second prize, a free weekend at the resort, was awarded to Mr. and Mrs. August Krueger, Austin, Minnesota. ¶ The third, or booby prize, a manure fork, goes to a party from Berry-Berry, Maine. ¶ Music will be provided by The |
| 10/26/1967 10/26/1967 (cont) | History - 10/26/1967 & War - Soldiers History - 10/26/1967 & War - Soldiers (cont) | DOWN THE ROAD By Gene Clifford "References in this column to the "Rib Lake White Hope" of a previous generation has brought a detailed report from Mrs. C.J. Bonneville, Route 2, Wild Rose, who is the former Peg Clark of Rib Lake. An interesting addendum to the ever-present small world department. ¶ Don MacLennan, previously identified as the White Hope, was Mrs. Bonneville's cousin. He was born in Rib Lake in August, 1892, the son of Duncan MacLennan, a brother-in-law of J.J. Kennedy, the founder of Rib Lake. ¶ Duncan MacLennan was Rib Lake's second postmaster, assuming office in 1898, and serving the community for some 30 years. His wife, Don's mother, was Addie Christie MacLennan, Rib Lake's first school teacher. ¶ Don and Mrs. Bonneville were graduated from Rib Lake High School in 1910. His widow and two daughters are living in Wausau, and his ¶ A yellow clipping from a Wausau paper tells of Don's receipt of the Distinguished Service Medal. It quoted the citation, which follows: "First Lieutenant Donald J. MacLennan, 142nd infantry. For extraordinary heroism in action near St. Etienne [France] on Oct. 8 [1918] leading a patrol of 10 men with orders to gain contact with the enemy, Lieutenant MacLennan was suddenly subjected to terrific machine-gun fire, which wounded two of his men. He quickly ordered his men to shelter, and, in order to insure their safety, he ran across an open space for a distance of 30 yards to draw the enemy's fire. Rejoining his patrol by passing through the same deadly fire, he |
| 11/2/1967 | Library | NOTES FROM YOUR LIBRARY By Star Powers "Woweee----I went to the North Central Library Conference in Milwaukee in mid-October for 4 days, and I am still all wound up about it. These conferences have a way of getting to you! There were over 2,000 librarians and trustees in attendance from 4 states. I represented the Executive Board of Trustees of the Wisconsin Valley Library Reference Service...¶ The first session was on reference service, and it illicited various research reports on what could be done to make reference service better than it is now. I won't bore you with the details, although it was of interest and concern to me. Next, I listened to a panel discussion on "Library Personnel, the Crisis and Challenge." This, too, was a fact-filled, but alarming, evaluation of the need for qualified librarians to support the mushrooming educational needs today. But the panel came up with no terrific solutions to |
| 11/2/1967 | Obituary | MRS. CHARLES SCHARER, NATIVE OF RIB LAKE, IS STRICKEN AT MONROE "Services will be held at 10:30 a.m. at the Mannel Funeral Home, and at 11:00 a.m. at St. John the Baptist Church, for Mrs. Charles Scharer, 59, a native of Rib Lake, who died Tuesday at St. Claire Hospital in Monroe. ¶ The former Anna Melvine Jarosch was born in Rib Lake on Dec. 16, 1907. She was married to Charles Scharer at Freeport, Illinois, on May 18, 1929. They had lived here, and at Monroe, where Mr. Scharer formerly operated a tavern, and had a summer residence on South Harper Lake. She had been in ill health for several months. ¶ Surviving are a son, Dr. Galen Scharer, Owen; a |

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| 11/2/1967 | Rib Lake Herald | FROM OUR FILES - IT SEEMS LIKE YESTERDAY - 55 YEARS AGO (From The Herald, Nov. 1, 1912) "Leig's Store advertises 8 different varieties of apples at \$3.15 a barrel. Elmer Krueger has returned from Canada and is working at Heineman's Store in Wausau. Malcolm Clendenning, the village barber, and Leona Donner, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Donner, were married last Saturday by the Rev. J. Sig Stone. Jessie Krueger is teaching at Berlick, North Dakota. Art Pertmer, light plant superintendent, sustained an injury to his eye from a piece of wood, |
| 11/2/1967 | Rib Lake Herald | POSSIBLY ABOUT YOU ---- MICHAEL KNOP MARRIED AT SPARTA "Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Knop and Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Radtke drove to Sparta Saturday to attend the wedding of Donna Rae Janzen and Michael Knop. Returning Sunday, they stopped at Black River Falls to visit Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Roseland. Mr. and Mrs. Ray Herman also drove down to attend the wedding." |
| 11/9/1967 | Clubs/Orders | BUSINESSMEN TO SPONSOR HOLIDAY PARTY, TURKEYS "Plans for merchants' participation in the approaching holiday season were made by members of the Rib Lake Commercial & Civic Club at the monthly dinner meeting Tuesday evening at the Harper Lake Resort. ¶ The annual holiday party for children, with movies, and a visit from Santa Claus, who will present holiday treats to the youngsters, was set for Saturday afternoon, Dec. 16. ¶ The program will be held at the high school gymnasium, with Richard Upjohn, John Sabo and Harold Zielke on the committee in charge. ¶ The merchants' committee again will sponsor a program through which Rib Lake shoppers will have an opportunity to win turkeys by patronizing the participating business places. ¶ The committee, |
| 11/9/1967 (cont) | Clubs/Orders (cont) | ¶ Chief Frank Yanko reported that the volunteer fire dept. will prepare and install the holiday decorations in the downtown area. The evergreen streamers will be made by firemen at the junior high ag shop on Wednesday night, Dec. 29, and will be installed the following Saturday, Dec. 2. ¶ The commercial and civic club will entertain the firemen at a luncheon at the library basement on Wednesday evening after decorations are prepared. Verl Bokath is chairman of the luncheon committee, and will be assisted by Roy Stewart, Elmer Taylor and Gene Clifford. ¶ A special committee to interview all businessmen in the community concerning membership was named by President Harold Zielke. It includes Sabo, Yanko, Robert Becker, F.P. Schaack, and Warner. ¶ Guests at the meeting were Corporal Patrick Warner, home on leave from Marine duty, and Dale Strobach and Eddie Zondlo, prospective new members." |
| 11/9/1967 | Forest, Wood | NEXT YEAR'S TREE ORDERS NOW DUE "Applications for ordering trees for the 1968 planting season are now available at state and county extension and agricultural stabilization and conservation service offices throughout Wisconsin. ¶ Species of trees that are available for planting that are adaptable to this area, are hard maple, white ash, jack pine, red (Norway) pine, white spruce and white cedar. ¶ The prices vary from \$15 per thousand trees for 2-year-old seedlings, to \$35 per thousand trees for transplants. All tree orders must be approved by the state forester assigned in your county. ¶ In Taylor County, Emil Falasky should be contacted at the Medford courthouse..¶ Cost-sharing through the agricultural conservation program is available to assist in the establishment of the plantation. |

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| 11/9/1967 | People | MEMORIAL HOSPITAL - ADMISSIONS "Oct. 30: Mrs. Otto Holzl, Rib Lake; Mrs. Alphonse Mitchell, Jr. and baby girl; Oct. 31: Lester Peterson, Westboro; Mrs. May Barnes, Rib Lake; Nov. 1: Joe Frombach, Route 1, Rib Lake; Nov. 2: Mrs. Marie Bremer, Rib Lake; Miss Mary Warner, Rib Lake; Nov. 3: Mrs. Peter Matyka and baby boy, Route 1, Rib Lake; Nov. 4: Mrs. Frieda Vessely, Westboro; Oscar L. Nelson, Ogema; Nov. 5: Herbert Curran, Rib Lake." |
| 11/16/1967 | Education | RIB LAKE H.S. NEWS By Bernadette Van Hecker and LaNah Vlach "The Taylor County Teachers College had a scrimmage with the high school basketball team after school on Wednesday of last week. ¶ Ken Henderson, musician, presented an assembly program, "A cross section of American music," last Thursday. Everyone enjoyed it. ¶ Mr. Nash from the Metropolitan Business College showed a film and gave a talk to the office practice class on Nov. 9. He told of the many jobs that deal with the running of computers. ¶ The junior class nominated their prom king on Nov. 10. He is Jim Yanko. He will have until Christmas to pick his queen. ¶ Our first basketball game was to be played on Nov. 14, when Edgar comes here for a non-conference game. We all wish the boys good luck! ¶ School will be dismissed at noon Nov. 22 for Thanksgiving vacation. We will return again on Monday, Nov. 27." |
| 11/16/1967 | Library | NOTES FROM OUR LIBRARY By Star Powers - An open letter for Thanksgiving "When I received a booklet about three years ago entitled: "The plans for Public Library Development in Wisconsin - A Standard for Measuring Progress" - I read it over and over again, and my hopes "died in despair." How is Rib Lake going to get its little village library up to snuff? We had just about the lowest CASH budget on record, we had no general catalog, our collection had not been "weeded" or evaluated for years, we did not have "adequate" anything that was required for a class three library. There were exactly 70 requirements listed for library services, the board of trustees, the book |

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| 11/16/1967 (cont) | Library (cont) | ¶ Further, our library functions as a reading room, and now it was supposed to be changed over to an information service and part of the educational system in the community. ¶ The first good move made was to cooperate with the experimental library project (under Title II) called Regional Reference. This meant that all the libraries in our county became part of a cooperative system which gave us the privilege of using books in other libraries, and from our headquarter-library in Wausau. The experiment was so successful and useful to rural residents that this 9-county system is now supported by the counties themselves..." |
| 11/23/1967 | Obituary | EMIL HAENEL, 89, BURIED ON FRIDAY "Funeral services for Emil H. Haenel, 89, Route 1, Medford, who died Tuesday of last week at the Golden Age Nursing Home, were held at 9:15 a.m. Friday at the Mannel Funeral home, and at 10:00 a.m. at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church at Whittlesey. ¶ Pallbearers were Mike and Pat Haenel, Tom and Jim Frischmann, Leroy Olson and Ben Rudolph. ¶ Mr. Haenel was born in Saxton, Germany, on Aug. 1, 1878, and came to the Whittlesey area with his parents at the age of 4. He was married to Theresa Ramskugler at Medford in 1915. His wife died in 1920, and his second marriage was to Mary Bodor in 1922, who died in January, 1944. ¶ Surviving him are a sister, Mrs. Melvin (Irene) Frischmann; three sons, George Haenel, Martin Haenel, and Walter Haenel, all of Route 2, Medford; 12 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren." |
| 11/23/1967 | Rib Lake Herald | A READER SENDS A CLIPPING FROM NEW MEXICO NEWSPAPER SHOWING THAT NEWSPAPERS DEW MAKE A FUE ERRURS "Even the hazards of the classified ads are shown in this series of ads, which allegedly appeared in a North Carolina newspaper. MONDAY: "For sale, R.D. Smith has one sewing machine for sale, Phone 958. Call after 7:00 p.m. and ask for Mrs. Kelley, who lives with him cheap. " ¶ TUESDAY: "We regret having erred in R.D. Smith's ad yesterday. It should have read: For sale: R.D. Smith has one sewing machine for sale. Cheap, Phone 958 and ask for Mrs. Kelly, who lives with him after 7:00 p.m." ¶ WEDNESDAY: R.D. Smith has informed us that he has received several annoying telephone calls because of an error we made in his classified |
| 11/23/1967 (cont) | Rib Lake Herald (cont) | ¶ THURSDAY NOTICE: I, R.D. Smith, have no sewing machine for sale. I smashed it. Don't call 958, the phone has been taken out. I have not been carrying on with Mrs. Kelly. Until vesterday, she was my housekeeper." |
| 11/23/1967 | Utilities | WAY CLEARS FOR NATURAL GAS IN AREA NEXT YEAR "There should be no further legal obstacles to delay the construction of gas distribution system in Rib Lake and 9 other northern Wisconsin communities, M.E. Juhl, President of the Lake Superior District Power Company, said this week. ¶ Only approval of the project must be obtained from the Federal Power Commission by the Northern Natural Gas Company, which is the pipeline supplier to Lake Superior. ¶ There has been a Supreme Court appeal to the final judgment in the Dane County Circuit Court, which affirmed the Public Service Commission of Wisconsin decision authorizing the Lake Superior District Company to initiate gas service in the 10 communities. ¶ The communities to receive natural gas are Mellen, Glidden, Butternut, Park Falls, Fifield, Phillips, Prentice, Ogema, Westboro and Rib Lake, and the |

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| 12/7/1967 | Obituary | MRS. SCHMIDT BURIED "Services were held at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday at the Mannel Funeral Home for Mrs. Albert Schmidt, 63, who died at St. Joseph's Hospital at Marshfield on Saturday. ¶ The Rev. John Meyer officiated, and burial was in the Hillcrest Cemetery at Spirit. ¶ The pallbearers were Harold Blomberg, Clarence Andreae, Ralph Fjeldheim, Roy Meier, Herbert Magnuson, and Ben Swanson. ¶ The former Edna Sommer was born in Milwaukee on Nov. 15, 1904, and was married to Albert Schmidt of Spirit in 1926. She had lived at Owen for more than 30 years. ¶ Surviving are the husband, a son, Leslie Schmidt, Friendship.." |
| 12/7/1967 | Schools | WESTBORO VOTERS LEAN TO MEDFORD "After lengthy discussion and in a narrow vote, residents of the Westboro School District, meeting special session on Wednesday evening of last week, expressed a majority wish to consolidate with the Medford District. ¶ The vote was 83 in favor of consolidating with the Medford District, and 78 in favor of consolidating with the Rib Lake District. ¶ Chester Decker, Westboro clerk, said that the report on the vote had been sent to the school committee of cooperative educational service agency #2. ¶ The committee is expected to issue an order, based on the vote, which then will be subject to a public hearing before the final |
| 12/7/1967 (cont) | Schools (cont) | ¶ The Westboro district has been operating its grade school only this year, with temporary state aid, and high school students in the district have been sent to the school of their choice - Rib Lake, Medford and Prentice, on a tuition basis. ¶ The current year is expected to be the final one for operation of the district, as it is anticipated that the state, through the CESA, will force it to consolidate with one or more existing districts. Division of the districts between Rib Lake and Medford district apparently is still a possibility." |
| 12/14/1967 | Clubs/Orders & Entertainment | PLANS GOING AHEAD FOR LIONS CLUB'S SECOND SNOWMOBILE DERBY "Plans are progressing swiftly for the Lion's Club second annual snowmobile derby, Chairman George Buksa reports. ¶ The principal thing needed now, before Dec. 31 and Jan. 1, is ample snow for the cross-country trail, and the other events which will be held on Rib Lake. The 25-mile open trail running west and north of Rib Lake and return, was cleared last week by a volunteer crew. The cross-country event will start and close on the lake, and may be viewed from a number of locations, in addition. Closed course events also will be on the lake. ¶ The event will open on Friday evening, Dec. 29, with the coronation of the snowmobile queen, at the National Hotel at 7:00 p.m. The parade will start at 7:30 |
| 12/14/1967 (cont) | Clubs/Orders & Entertainment (cont) | ¶ Medford's "Mink Princess" and Ogema's Christmas Tree "Festival Queen" have been invited to participate in the parade, and several civic and business organizations are expected to enter floats. Those wishing to enter floats may contact the committee members, Joe Burkart, Westboro, or Steve Minarciny..." |
| 12/21/1967 | Politics & People | MILLARD (SATCH) KAPITZ "Climaxing more than 30 years of public life, Supervisor Millard (Satch) Kapitz has announced that he will not be a candidate to represent the village on the county board of supervisors at the April election. ¶ Kapitz said that he felt that his long service to the village entitled him to retire, adding that his decision was made without consideration of the fact that his residence at Tripoli might make him ineligible to serve further. ¶ Legally, he said, he could continue to serve the village. Satch was elected to the village board of trustees in 1933, |

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| 12/21/1967 (cont) | Politics & People (cont) | ¶ He served as chairman of the board for 14 consecutive years. More recently, he has been second vice chairman, and holds many important committee posts, including chairman of the finance committee, chairman of the law enforcement committee, a member of the executive committee of the county park commission, and on the committee of Committees and Rules. ¶ He operates Talbot's Resort on Willow Lake, having sold his interest in the |
| 12/21/1967 | Schools & Westboro | YET ANOTHER HEARING SET AT WESTBORO "Another public hearing on the controversial Westboro school situation has been scheduled for 7:30 p.m. January 2, by the School Committee of Cooperative Educational Service Agency #2. ¶ The hearing, in the Westboro gym, is called specifically to consider a petition filed by Mrs. Bernice Nikkila, and signed by 45 electors, that the portion of the Town of Hill now in the Westboro district be attached to the Prentice District. ¶ The board will also consider and discuss with representatives of the school districts involved, several other possibilities of attaching all or parts of the Westboro district to adjacent districts....The Westboro district now is operating only its grade school, and high school pupils are being sent to the school of their choice, some to Prentice, some to Medford, and some to Rib Lake, on a tuition basis. ¶ This was the compromise |
| 12/28/1967 | Entertainment | WELCOME, SNOWMOBILERS! "The Rib Lake Lions Club's second snowmobile derby is scheduled for this weekend, and it should be a grand success. ¶ It opens on Friday night at 7:00 p.m. with crowning of the snowmobile queen at the National Hotel...¶ The cross-country race, covering a trail about 25 miles in length, roughly north and west of the village, will start at 10:00 a.m. Drag races on Rib Lake starting at 1:30 p.m. will complete that day's program. ¶ The half-mile closed, oval track races on the lake are scheduled for 10:30 a.m. on Sunday, followed by slalom races at 1:30 p.m. The "powder-puff" races are set for 3:00 p.m., followed by junior races, for youngsters under 16, at 3:30 p.m. ¶ The bus garage, incidentally, will be the principal headquarters for the event. It will house the communications system, and it is there that hot coffee, sandwiches, and light lunches will be served throughout the two days..." |
| 12/28/1967 | Westboro & Businesses | COOPER CHEESE "Notice! Some factories are closing their can intakes. Cooper Cheese at Westboro wants canned milk as well as bulk. Call 427-3437 and talk to Bob." |
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| 1/4/1968 | Obituary | MARLIN CURRAN IS STRICKEN TUESDAY BY HEART ATTACK "Funeral services will be held tomorrow (Friday) at 2:00 p.m. in the Rib Lake Methodist Church for Marlin L. Curran, 54, Taylor County Undersheriff, and former sheriff, who died suddenly on Tuesday at his home in Medford of a heart attack. ¶ The Rev. Henry Bahrenburg, Jr., will officiate, and burial will be in the Lakeview Cemetery. ¶ Pallbearers chosen are John W. Eckhoff, Richard Upjohn, Albert O. Ward, Sheriff Don Underwood, Edgar Oleson, Chairman of the Taylor County Board of Supervisors, and Paul Allmen, Medford. ¶ The body was to be in state at the Mannel Funeral Home after noon on Tuesday, and at the church from 10:00 a.m. until the service. ¶ Mr. Curran was born in Rib Lake, the son |

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| 1/4/1968 (cont) | Obituary (cont) | ¶ He was married to Maida Madson at Medford Dec. 25, 1946. He was a member of the Rib Lake Methodist Church, and was active in law enforcement organizations. ¶ Surviving are the parents, the widow, a brother, Harold Curran, Markham, Illinois; and two sisters, Jeanette, Mrs. Melvin Clendenning, Rib Lake; and Lorraine, Mrs. Homer Nebeker, Markham, Illinois." |
| 1/4/1968 | Entertainment | SNOWMOBILE DERBY WAS HUGE SUCCESS "Attracting about 120 entries, the Rib Lake Lions Club snowmobile derby last weekend was hailed as an unusual success. ¶ The entire two days of activity had to be limited to Rib Lake, due to insufficient snow to make the cross-country race through the woods practical. ¶ George Buksa was general chairman of the event, and Joe Burkart was vice chairman." |
| 1/4/1968 | Westboro & Schools | WESTBORO SCHOOL DEAL IS UNSOLVED "Town of Westboro voters found themselves no further along towards a solution of their school problems, following a hearing held by the Cooperative Educational Agency, #2, school committee on Tuesday night. ¶ The committee did approve an order attaching the Westboro district area in the Town of Hill to the Prentice district. ¶ Left for further consideration are the proposals: to attach all of the remaining Westboro district to the Medford district; to attach all of it to the Rib Lake district, or to attach Chelsea to Medford and the eastern portion of the district to the Rib Lake district. ¶ The school committee told the voters present it is still up to them to determine where they want their children to attend school, and indicated that continued operation of the Westboro grade school, with state aid so that high school pupils can attend school on a tuition basis, will end after this year." |
| 1/11/1968 | Spirit & Obituary | FINAL SERVICES FOR MRS. SKAGERBURG, PIONEER OF SPIRIT "Funeral services are to be held today at 11:00 a.m. (Thursday), in the Methodist Church at Spirit for Mrs. Gerda Skagerburg, 93, a long-time Spirit resident, who died Saturday in Sacred Heart Hospital at Tomahawk after a long illness. ¶ The Rev. Mr. Koenig from Tomahawk will officiate, and burial will be in the Hillcrest Cemetery in Spirit. ¶ The body was to be in state at the Mannel Funeral Home in Rib Lake from Thursday morning until 10:00 a.m. today, and then at the church until time of the service. ¶ The former Gerda Jacobson was born in Lysekil, Bohusian, Sweden, Nov. 15, 1874. She came to this country in 1886 with her parents, who settled in the Ogema area. She was married to August Skagerburg in the Town of Spirit in June, 1898. Her husband died in 1964. ¶ Surviving are three daughters, Ethel, Mrs. Andy Borg, |

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| 1/11/1968 | Rib Lake Herald | DOWN THE ROAD By Gene Clifford "Our own problems were partially solved on Tuesday night when Joe Daniels thawed out water and drain pipes. Now we can have a cup of coffee and go to the bathroom, both at home." |
| 1/18/1968 | Obituary & Greenwood | BENJAMIN KRAUS, WIDELY-KNOWN BEE-KEEPER, BURIED "Funeral services were held Monday at 2:30 p.m. in St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church in the Town of Greenwood for Benjamin A. Kraus, 75, widely-known area resident, who died Friday at Holy Cross Hospital in Merrill. ¶ The Rev. Roger Vomhof officiated, and burial was in the church cemetery. ¶ The pallbearers were Arthur Freiboth, Herman Steinman, Charles McCluskey, Herman Hamann, Joe Frombach, and Frank Steen. ¶ Mr. Kraus was a native of Collins, where he was born on Sept. 27, 1892. He was married to Mayta Pollack Dec. 8, 1914. She died Oct. 15, 1953. He was married to Frieda Mattson at Withee January 23, 1960. ¶ Mr. Kraus was widely-known for the honey he produced and sold, and was a member of the Taylor County and Wisconsin Beekeeper's Association. ¶ Surviving are the widow, a daughter, Dorothy, Mrs. Herbert Steinman, Town of Greenwood; a granddaughter, three great-grandchildren, and a brother, Martin Kraus, Weyauwega..." |
| 1/18/1968 | Obituary & Spirit | FRED OBERLI, 91 "Funeral services were held at 1:30 Monday at the Mannel Funeral Home for Fred Oberli, 91, a long-time Town of Spirit resident, who died the previous Thursday evening in the Sacred Heart Hospital at Tomahawk, after a long illness. ¶ Burial was in the Hillcrest Cemetery in Spirit, with the Rev. John Meyer officiating. ¶ The pallbearers were Max Scheller, Albert Johnson, Dennis Meier, Ben Swanson, Ralph Olson, and Carl Rhody. ¶ Mr. Oberli was born in Switzerland March 14, 1875. He was married there to Marta Schneider in 1902, and they came to the United States in 1906, settling first in New Glarus, then in Tripoli, and moving to the Town of Spirit about 1917. Mrs. Oberli died in March, 1924. ¶ Surviving are a daughter, Lydia, Mrs. Paul Meier, |
| 1/18/1968 | Obituary & Westboro | MRS. ELINNA NIEMI, 86 "Funeral services were held at 1:00 p.m. Wednesday in St. Mark's Lutheran Church for Mrs. Elinna Hilda Niemi, 86, who died Sunday at the home of her daughter and son-in-law, the John Bergmanns, Route 2, Ogema. ¶ The Rev. John Grande of Prentice officiated, and burial was in the church cemetery. ¶ Mrs. Niemi, the former Elinna Komanti, was born in Finland May 2, 1861. She was married to Isaac Franz Niemi in May, 1900. They came to the United States in 1903, settling first in Republic, Michigan. They moved to Westboro in 1909, and lived there until 1920, when they moved to Ogema. Mr. Niemi died in 1942, and she had made her home with her daughter since 1957. ¶ She was a member of St. Mark's congregation and its Ladies Aid Society. ¶ Surviving are four daughters, Ellen, Mrs. Bergmann; Elsie, Mrs. Arvid Arkola, Westboro; Elma, Mrs. John Dahl, |

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| 1/18/1968 | Businesses & Fire | HEAVY DAMAGES FROM FLASH FIRE AT SOUTH SIDE GARAGE "Fire ignited by a spark from the exhaust of a tractor being repaired, caused extensive damage to the South Side Garage building, and to the Bernard Cihasky living quarters above it, late Wednesday afternoon, January 10. ¶ Three tractors and one car were badly damaged or ruined, as well as garage tools and equipment, and the household goods in the living quarters. ¶ Cihasky, who was working on the tractor, said he started it up and the flames immediately ignited the oily floor. He and an Eau Claire visitor, who happened to be in the garage, attempted to douse the flames with a fire extinguisher, and when unsuccessful, used ashes in an attempt to smother them. They nearly had it under control at one time, but then the |
| 1/18/1968 (cont) | Businesses & Fire (cont) | ¶ The flames spread to the wall and upstairs, and there were holes in the roof, as well as in the front wall of the building. The loss was partially covered by insurance. ¶ Cihasky said he does not plan to reopen a garage in the building, as little of anything can be salvaged, and is undecided as to his future plans. He is staying with his son, Mike, and family, temporarily. Mrs. Cihasky was in Eau Claire at the time, because of the illness of her father. ¶ The fire department trucks were on duty most of the night to avoid the possibility of further damage from flames which might develop from the smoldering debris. The one car destroyed was still smoldering on Thursday morning." |
| 1/25/1968 | Businesses & Spirit | HERBERT MAGNUSON "Herbert Magnuson, who, with his brother Lester, operates the Magnuson Brothers Mink Ranch on Route 1, Ogema, is shown here with a trophy they won for a first award in the brown pale class at the 25th annual International Mink Show held at Milwaukee recently. ¶ The International is the industry's largest live mink exposition, and attracts thousands of ranchers from United States, Canada and overseas. ¶ The Magnuson Brothers, Marvin Andreae and Mike Patrick, were among those who attended." |
| 2/1/1968 | Obituary | BERNARD SEIDEL, RIB LAKE NATIVE, IS BURIED TODAY "Funeral services for Bernard F. (Ben) Seidel, 57, member of an early Rib Lake family, were to be held at 10:00 a.m. today (Thursday) in the Holy Rosary Catholic Church at Medford. ¶ The Fr. Joseph Mueller was to officiate at the service, and burial to be in the family plot in Lakeview Cemetery, Rib Lake. ¶ Mr. Seidel was born in Rib Lake Oct. 16, 1910, the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Charles Seidel. He attended the schools here, and for 13 years operated the family farm, now the Donald Meyer farm. He then operated the corner IGA grocery store at Westboro for 17 years, until he sold it about a year ago. ¶ |
| 2/1/1968 | Politics | FOUR SEEK COUNTY SUPERVISOR'S POST "Four candidates will seek the nomination for county board supervisor for the Village of Rib Lake (District 9) at a special primary to be held here on March 5, county clerk Harold O. Ruesch announces. ¶ The two polling the greatest number of votes will be the regular candidates in the April 2 election. ¶ The candidates, in alphabetical order, are Eugene R. Clifford, editor and publisher of the Rib Lake Herald; Robert D. Melasky, Schlais Clothing Store; Alfons F. Mitchell, Sr., Proprietor of the National Hotel; |

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| 2/8/1968 | Businesses | CREDIT UNION MEET TONIGHT "The 7th annual meeting of the Lakewood Credit Union will be held at 8:00 p.m. today (Thursday) in the cafeteria room at the Rib Lake High School. ¶ Two directors and one credit committee member will be elected. Those whose terms expired include Joe Frombach and Keith Zintz, directors, and F.L. Stewart, credit committee. ¶ President Joe Frombach will report for the board of directors, and the treasurer's report will be given by George Buksa. ¶ Serving the Rib Lake area for the past 7 years, the Lakewood Credit Union has |
| 2/15/1968 | Businesses & Fire | FIRE CLOSES SHOE FACTORY TWO DAYS "Work at the Gem Products Shoe Factory was resumed Wednesday morning after a two-day layoff, resulting from a fire Saturday afternoon, which caused several thousand dollars-worth of damage. ¶ John Schreiner, proprietor of the Rib Lake Roller Mills across the street, saw smoke coming from the windows shortly before 4:00 p.m., and sounded the alarm. ¶ The fire apparently started in the southwest corner of the main building from causes as yet undetermined. The sprinkler system went into immediate operation, holding the flames down until the volunteer fire trucks arrived. ¶ The blaze was confined to that section, but there was considerable smoke and water damage. No machinery was damaged to any extent, the loss being confined principally to stock on hand. ¶ A number of employees were called in on Monday and Tuesday to start a clean-up ¶ The building, owned by the village and leased to Gem Products, was covered by insurance. ¶ A.W. Kootz, St. Paul, Minnesota, head of the firm, arrived Sunday morning and supervised the clean-up and early operations leading to the resumption of business, as usual, on Wednesday morning." |
| 2/15/1968 (cont) | Businesses & Fire (cont) | |
| 2/15/1968 | Businesses & Spirit Lake | M. VANUCHAS SELL LAKEVIEW RESORT "Sale of Vanuchas Lakeview Resort on Big Spirit Lake to Mr. and Mrs. Dick Adema of Oak Lawn, Illinois, was announced this week by Mr. and Mrs. Martin Vanucha, who have operated the establishment for the past 15 years. ¶ The new owners will take possession on March 15, Vanucha said. ¶ In the meantime, he and Mrs. Vanucha have purchased the building at 814 McComb Ave. in the village, which formerly housed the Nite Owl Tavern, from Mr. and Mrs. William Merten of Oak Creek, who formerly operated it. ¶ The Vanuchas have started to clean, repair and remodel the downtown building, but have no definite plans for its final use. They will occupy the living quarters on the second floor. ¶ The Lakeview Resort property ¶ In addition, it has a two-unit motel building located near the road. ¶ The property originally was a summer home, and later a retirement home, of the late Mr. and Mrs. Harry Nelson of Chicago, Mrs. Vanucha's parents. ¶ Mr. and Mrs. Adema have been there several times in closing the real estate, and have thus become somewhat acquainted in the community." |
| 2/15/1968 (cont) | Businesses & Spirit Lake (cont) | |
| 3/14/1968 | Greenwood & Businesses | 1955-1968 - 13TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE HI-WAY C GROCERY "Joe and Esther Frombach, owners and operators of the Hi-Way C Grocery, offered coffee and donuts and door prizes each day, and a long list of grocery specials to customers for their Town of Greenwood store." |

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| 4/4/1968 | Schools & Education | WESTBORO, RIB LAKE SCHOOL REFERENDUM IS APPROVED BY VOTERS "The referendum calling for attaching the Town of Westboro and part of the Town of Rib Lake to the Rib Lake School District was approved by voters on Tuesday. ¶ The vote in the Village of Rib Lake was 301 for attachment and 31 against. ¶ The vote in the remainder of the area concerned totaled 404 for and 183 against. ¶ The law concerning the referendum provides that the vote both in an incorporated unit of government (in the Village of Rib Lake, in this instance), and in the unincorporated territory involved, must be favorable, for the proposal to pass. ¶ The vote, by units of government, |
| 4/4/1968 (cont) | Schools & Education (cont) | ¶ A similar referendum, calling for the attachment of that part of the Town of Chelsea, which now is in the Westboro school district, to the Medford district, also was approved, the total vote was 1,514 in favor, and 1,040 against. ¶ The breakdown on this referendum was incorporated areas (City of Medford and Village of Stetsonville) 712 yes, 375 no; unincorporated areas, 802 yes, 665 no." |
| 4/4/1968 | Politics & Rib Lake - Village | HAROLD E. ZIELKE, NEW SUPERVISOR; BULLIS IS TRUSTEE "Harold E. Zielke was elected supervisor in Tuesday's village election, defeating Eugene R. Clifford, 192-155. ¶ Wayne Bullis, a former trustee, was returned to the village board, polling 249 votes. ¶ Walter Wilhelms, with 250, and Kenneth Mannel, with 206, incumbents, were re-elected. ¶ Incumbent Bernard Cibasky received 161 votes, and John Sabo, 115. " |
| 4/11/1968 | Harper Lake & Obituary & Camp Forest Springs | JOHN CARLSON DIES AT HOME "Funeral services were held at 10:00 a.m. Monday in First Lutheran Church at Westboro for John Carlson, 80, an early resident of the rural community, who died Friday night at the Golden Age Home after a long illness. ¶ The Rev. Luther Jacobson officiated, and burial was in Lakeview Cemetery, Rib Lake. ¶ Pallbearers were Rueben Hill, Arnold Krueger, Marlin Trantow, Ronald Carlson, Vern Olson, and Robert Lee. ¶ Mr. Carlson was born in Finland on Nov. 7, 1887, and came to this country in 1914, settling on a farm on James Lake, northwest of the village. He was married to Selma Eklund in 1915. For many years, the family occupied the farm which is now the site of Camp Forest Springs. He retired several years ago, after Mrs. Carlson's death..." |
| 4/11/1968 4/11/1968 (cont) | Businesses & Rib Lake - Village Businesses & Rib Lake - Village (cont) | CONSTRUCTION OF NEW 60-BED NURSING HOME STARTED HERE "Construction work on a modern, 60-bed nursing home in Rib Lake, rumored for months, became a reality on Friday of this week. ¶ The institution, being built by Mr. and Mrs. Edward Hon, Rhinelander, owners and operators of the Golden Age Home, will be across the street from the latter establishment. ¶ It will occupy the remaining area in the large block, bounded on the east by Main Street [McComb Ave.], on the south by Railroad Street, on the west by Pearl Street, and on the north by Highway 102. ¶ The only other buildings on the block will be the present Rib Lake Clinic building. and to ¶ The ground breaking ceremonies were performed last Thursday morning by Assemblyman Joe Sweda of Lublin, and were witnessed by Mr. Hong, David Attwood, administrator, Mrs. Atwood, RN, nursing director, Dr. S.F. Hesse, John Eckhoff, Village President, Kennth Mannel, Ed Martin, John Sabo, President of the Rib Lake Commercial and Civic Club, Alfons F. Mitchell, Sr., and Kenneth Prissell, Superintendent of the Northwestern Construction Company, which will do the building. ¶ A central rotunda will face Pearl Street, and from it will extend two 105 wings, roughly to the southeast and northwest, each of which will accommodate 30 patients - 15 on each side...¶ Most of the property involved, once the site of the old RLLC yards, was purchased by the Hong from |

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| 4/25/1968 | Railroad - Wis. Central | SOO DEPOTS CLOSE "Effective April 22, Soo Line stations at Ogema, Westboro, Stetsonville and Dorchester will close. ¶ These stations are to be handled by a central service center located at the Soo Line Depot at Medford. ¶ The stations at Ogema, Westboro, Chelsea, Whittlesey, Stetsonville and Dorchester will be served by a traveling agent with headquarters at Medford. Martin Dvorak, former agent at Westboro, has been assigned the position of traveling freight agent. He will call daily at the offices of any patron that has business with the Soo Line. ¶ For the patrons in Ogema, Westboro and Rib Lake area, they may contact the freight service center at Medford by using the toll-free telephone number Enterprise 1400. ¶ For patrons in Stetsonville and Dorchester area, they may contact the freight service center by calling 748-4857. ¶ This new service is designed to give better service, and needs will be |
| 5/16/1968 | Schools & Education | 38 GRADUATE FROM HIGH SCHOOL "Commencement exercises will be held for 38 seniors, who will complete their formal high school education, on May 22 at 8:00 p.m. in the high school gymnasium. Members of the senior class who will be receiving diplomas on this event are: Sandra J. Anderson, George V. Blennert, Dennis D. Budimlija, Bernard L. Dums, Ronald J. Eisner, Barbara J. Fuchs, Joseph J. Gojmerac, JoAnn F. Hamann, Glen A. Harder, Stanley J. Hebda, John R. Hein, Leonard J. Hoefflerle, Darrell F. Kessler, Marie L. Kofler, Mary L. Kutzke, Susan N. LaBrec, Rae Jean M. Leonard, Daniel F. Lind, Kimberly L. Lueck, Michael J. Maes, James E. Marschke, Diane L. Martin, William D. Meyer, Ann B. Olson, Mary A. Olson, Shirley D. Olson, Gail F. Quednow, Richard J. |
| 5/16/1968 (cont) | Schools & Education (cont) | ¶ The high school band, under the direction of Ned Orthmann, will play the processional and recessional marches, the invocation and benediction will be given by the Rev. Werner Hemmelgarn, pastor of St. John the Baptist Catholic Church of Rib Lake...¶ The senior class will be presented by school administrator Robert C. Becker, with diplomas being presented by board member George Thums. ¶ The class has chosen "Live to Learn; Learn to Live" as their class motto. they have chosen the white carnation as the class flower, and the class colors are royal blue and |
| 5/30/1968 | Obituary | PETER P. REZUTEK, LONG-TIME FARMER, BURIED TUESDAY "Funeral services were held at 10:00 a.m. Tuesday at St. John the Baptist Church for Peter P. Rezutek, 83...Mr. Rezutek was born in Poland on May 5, 1885, and came to this country in 1911, settling in Minneapolis. He worked there for about 2 years and came to Rib Lake in 1913, settling on a farm on what is now Highway 102, northeast of the village. He farmed and also worked as a stone mason before his retirement several years ago. ¶ He was married to Mary Labandz at Phillips on Sept. 28, 1914. ¶ Surviving are three daughters, Angeline, Mrs. Otto Gerstberger, Rib Lake; Helen, Mrs. Donald Osimitz, Wausau; and Gladys, Mrs. Donald Gelinskey, South Milwaukee; 8 sons, Stephen Rezutek, Milwaukee; Julius |
| 6/6/1968 | Environment & Rusch | JERRY GILGE "One of the biggest muskies reported caught in the area this spring was this 43-inch, 19-pounder, caught in North Harper Lake, on Memorial Day, by Jerry Gilge." |

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| 6/20/1968 | Obituary | EMMA KATHREIN DIES AT HOSPITAL "Funeral services will be held at 10:00 a.m. Friday at St. John the Baptist Church for Mrs. Meinrad Kathrein, 59, who died early Wednesday at Memorial Hospital at Medford. ¶ The former Emma Heisler was born in Germany on Sept. 1, 1908, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Heisler, and came to the United States with her parents when she was 7 months old. The family settled in Minnesota, and then came to Rib Lake when she was still a child. ¶ She was married to Meinrad Kathrein. The family home was on Lakeshore Drive. She was a member of the Catholic congregation and Christian Mothers. ¶ Surviving are the husband, a daughter, Marie, Mrs. Max Krolnik, Menomonie Falls; a son, Joseph Kathrein, Rib Lake; 7 grandchildren, two brothers, John and Joseph Heisler, both of Rib Lake, and a sister, Mary, Mrs. Rudy Kapitz, Rib Lake." |
| 6/30/1968 | Environment | FLOWAGE WILL BE DEDICATED SUNDAY "'Chequamegon Waters', a new, 300-acre flowage located on the Yellow River in western Taylor County, will be dedicated Sunday, June 23, according to Allen H. Lietzke, county resource agent, and Allen Wilm, forest ranger, United States Forest Service. ¶ Lietzke and Wilm reported the program will also include welcome notes by County Board Chairman Joe Sweda, and a presentation of a plaque to Mrs. Dan Boone in honor of her late husband, who was the first flowage committee chairman until his death in |
| 8/1/1968 | Obituary & Gustafson & Co. | MRS. VICTOR GUSTAFSON DIES ON SATURDAY "Funeral services were held at 2:00 p.m. Tuesday in Rib Lake Methodist Church for Mrs. Victor Gustafson, 76, a long-time resident of Rib Lake, who died Saturday at Phillips. ¶ The Rev. Norman Barthel of Phillips officiated, and burial was in the Lakeview Cemetery. Four grandsons - Victor Gustafson, Tom Gustafson, Carl R. Marschke, and C.A. Capalle, all of Phillips - and Albert Goodman and Herman Jacob, Rib Lake, were pallbearers. ¶ Eastern Star services were conducted by Medford Chapter #254 on Monday evening at the Mannel Funeral Home. ¶ The former Vendla Janson was born in Sweden on May 13, 1892, the daughter of Franz and Jennie Janson, and came to this country in 1909. She was married to |
| 8/1/1968 (cont) | Obituary & Gustafson & Co. (cont) | ¶ She lived here on what was then STH 102, in the southwest part of the village, following his death in 1938, until 1959, when she moved to Phillips. She had been in ill health for the past year. ¶ Surviving are a son, Harry, and a daughter, Violet, Mrs. Clarence Capelle, both of Phillips, 3 grandsons, 5 great-granchildren, 2 sisters in the country, and several brothers and sisters in Sweden." |

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| 8/1/1968 | Westboro & Schools | TED PETERSON NAMED TO BOARD OF EDUCATION "The board of education of joint school district #1, Rib Lake, meeting in special session, has appointed Clement "Ted" Peterson of Westboro to a position on the board to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Carl Meier. ¶ Mr. Meier tendered his resignation at the conclusion of the annual meeting, after having served on the local board since 1953, and having served previously on school boards in the Town of Spirit. ¶ Mr. Peterson will fill the unexpired term of Mr. Meier until the next annual meeting, at which time the position becomes elected." |
| 8/1/1968 | Spirit & Obituary | MRS. SWAN SWANSON "Funeral services were held Monday afternoon in the First Lutheran Church at Ogema for Mrs. Swan A. Swanson, 90, who died the previous Thursday at Memorial Hospital at Medford. ¶ The Rev. Luther Jacobson officiated, and burial was in the Hillside Cemetery. Pallbearers included three sons, Ernest, Edward and T. Roy Swanson; Gust Hill, a son-in-law; and Howard Johnson and Gottfred Weberg, neighbors. ¶ The former Alla Walborg Hoffner was born Sept. 22, 1877, at El Salem in Polk County, and was married to Swan August Swanson at Emery Nov. 24, 1900. They came to this area the following May and settled in a log home. |
| 8/1/1968 (cont) | Spirit & Obituary (cont) | ¶ Surviving are 7 children; Gladys, Mrs. John Erickson, Macintosh, Minnesota; Ernest R. Swanson, Defiance, Missouri; Edna, Mrs. John Olberg, St. Petersburg, Florida; Edward A., Ogema; Theodore Leroy, Chicago; Anna Linnea Swanson, Chicago; and Inez, Mrs. Gust Hill, Merrill; four grandchildren, and 2 great-grandchildren. ¶ She was preceded in death by her parents, Jenne N. Hoffner and Augusta Gustava Hoffner, a brother and a son." |
| 8/8/1968 | Rib Lake - Village & Highways | DOWN THE ROAD By Gene Clifford "The new parallel parking situation on downtown Main Street [McComb Ave.] has engendered more discussion than anything else we can think of lately. ¶ Some merchants are unhappy, because they saw the shift from diagonal to parallel has resulted in the loss of 9 precious parking spots on the main drag. ¶ Some counter with the argument that there is plenty of off-Main Street parking, and that inhabitants of other metropolises are forced to walk 2 or 3 blocks to get to the place they want to go. Apparently, Rib Lake folks don't like to walk. ¶ Shoe factory employees, who are prone to stop for a quick purchase downtown during their lunch hour, are reported to be annoyed. ¶ On the other hand, the parallel parking gives the downtown community a better image, and falls into the same line as the new parking lot at the DePere Ford dealer." |
| 8/8/1968 (cont) | Rib Lake - Village & Highways (cont) | ¶ The Editor is no longer in this category, although he admits that he may have erred in this direction in the past. ¶ The reason for his parallel parking purity is that he is without wheels. ¶ His little Comet, of which he was so proud, threw a shoe, (to coin a phrase) at DePere last weekend, after making the trip there successfully. ¶ So the Comet rests in the friendly hands of the friendly Ford dealer in DePere, and the question which hasn't been answered, as of this writing, is whether it will be repaired or junked..." |

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| 8/8/1968 | Hunting & Environment | CONSERVATION NOTES "Wisconsin's "early" bear season will be earlier than usual this fall, according to the DNR. ¶ The special season for hunting bear with firearms and bows gets underway in designated areas of the state Sept. 7, and continues through Sept. 29. Last year, the season ran from Sept. 9 through Oct. 1. ¶ Dogs can be used during the early bear season. ¶ A total of 541 bears were bagged by firearm and bowhunters during the entire 1967 season. Archers accounted for 92 of them. Bears are apparently more numerous this year than last year over most of the range. ¶ Bear hunting for archers only runs from Sept. 21-Nov. 17. Gun hunters may take bear during the regular firearm deer season. The season limit is 1 adult bear per license holder. ¶ Cubs, which are protected, normally weighed from 40-60 pounds, and yearlings at least 115 pounds during the September season. In late |
| 8/8/1968 (cont) | Hunting & Environment (cont) | |
| 8/15/1968 | Obituary | FRED MANN BURIED "Services were held at 2:00 p.m. Wednesday at the Ruesch Funeral Home in Medford for Fred Mann, 68, a life-long Town of Chelsea resident, who was found dead Monday near his trailer home on Highway M east of Highway 13. He was a frequent visitor in Rib Lake. ¶ He had taken his own life with a rifle, apparently on Sunday evening. He had been in ill health. ¶ A member of an early area family, he was born on Aug. 11, 1900, in the Town of Chelsea. He had never married. ¶ The Rev. Henry A. Bahrenburg, Jr., officiated at the funeral, and burial was in the Chelsea Cemetery. Surviving are a number of nieces and nephews." |

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| 8/15/1968 | Schools | PLANS ARE COMPLETED FOR SCHOOL TERM OPENING AUGUST 29 "Registration for all students attending the school's joint district #1, Rib Lake, will be Thursday morning, August 29. ¶ The first full day of school will be Friday, August 30, which will also be the first day that lunches will be served. Schools comprising joint district #1 for the next school term are Rib Lake High School, Rib Lake Junior High School, Clearview School, Rib River School, Greenwood School, and the Westboro Elementary School...¶ Anticipated enrollment for the district for the fall term is about 775 students, of which approximately 225 will be in the high school. The greatest part of the increase is attributed to the addition of a portion of the Westboro district to the Rib Lake district....¶ The total number of the professional staff for the coming year will be 38. The total number on the non- |
| 8/15/1968 (cont) | Schools (cont) | ¶ The following teachers will serve as building principal to the various schools - Clearview, Faye Curran; Westboro, Elva Niemi; Greenwood, Helen Dums; and Rib River, Rose Engel..." |
| 8/15/1968 | Rib Lake Herald | SUBSCRIBE TO THE HERALD TODAY! "\$3.50 per year in Taylor County and southern Price County; \$4 per year elsewhere. To Canada and Alaska, \$4.50 per year. All subscriptions payable in advance." |
| 8/15/1968 | Politics | REPUBLICAN DINNER TUESDAY, AUG. 20 "At Little Bohemia Restaurant, Rib Lake. Cocktail hour at 6:00 p.m., dinner 7:00 p.m. Featured speaker, State Senator Robert Knowles, Republican candidate for Attorney General. Tickets, \$2.50 per person. Tickets available from Roy Stewart, Dick Upjohn, F.P. Schaack, or Mrs. Herbert Magnuson. Sponsored by Republican Party of Taylor County." |
| 8/15/1968 | Spirit | SPIRIT-HILL-OGEMA FAIR ON SATURDAY "Program for the 26th annual Spirit-Hill-Ogema 4-H Fair, to be held this Saturday, Aug. 16, at the Town Hall in Spirit, have been completed. ¶ The event will start at 10:00 a.m. with judging of exhibits, and dinner will be served at noon. Contests and games will be presented at 1:30 p.m. and the dress review and home talent program will be held at 8:00 p.m. The latter program will include the crowning of the 1968 4-H queen. ¶ Department superintendents include livestock, Henry Evans, Joe Swenson, Janice Mayer, and H. Schilling; farm crops, Carl Meier, Roy Meier, H. Johnson, and Mrs. Kay Anderson; forestry and miscellaneous, Darrell Lind and Norman Vanderhoof; foods, Mrs. M. Lindwall and Mrs. Roy Meier; and clothing, Mrs. Carl Rhody and Mrs. H. Hallstrand. ¶ Mrs. Lavern Hoffman will have charge of the lunch, and Ed Scheller |
| 8/22/1968 | Education | MEDFORD COLLEGE STARTS NEXT FALL "The new Medford branch of Wisconsin State University-Stevens Point won't go into operation until the fall of 1968, but Dean Russell Oliver and two staff members have begun planning for that target date. ¶ He opened shop last week in the 9-year-old Taylor County Teachers College building, which will be transformed into the branch. ¶ Finalizing of curriculum, recruiting students and faculty, planning publications and preparing expansion blueprints will occupy the Dean, his Director of Student Affairs, Robert Powless, and Secretary, Mrs. Robert Virnig. ¶ Dr. Oliver expects 8 or 9 full-time faculty members, plus several part-timers, will be hired for next fall, as well as another secretary, janitor, two library assistants, and a food service manager. ¶ If 125 persons enroll there next September, the Board of Regents of the State Universities will authorize the branch to become a 2-year liberal arts school..." |

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| 8/29/1968 | Rib Lake Herald | DOWN THE ROAD By Gene Clifford "FOR SALE! The Rib Lake Herald, Rib Lake's leading newspaper since 1897. ¶ Subscriptions - approximately 1200, which is terrific for a town of this size. ¶ Advertising - mediocre, because business folks, generally, don't. ¶ Job printing - occasional, because you can get it done cheaper, someplace else. ¶ Prospects for the future - what do you think? ¶ It is THE SUNNY SIDE OF THE STREET (although there is some question) Phone 427-3285 and ask for Geno." |
| 8/29/1968 | Spirit Lake & Businesses | NOW SERVING FOOD! AT LITTLE SPIRIT LAKE RESTAURANT "At Gladies and Al's Beer Bar on Highway 102. Chicken - steaks - fish, etc. Phone 427-3075." |
| 8/29/1968 | Library | NOTES FROM OUR LIBRARY By Star Powers "Helen Keller was born in 1880; before she was 2 years old, she had lost her eyesight and hearing through an illness. "For nearly 6 years," she said, "I had not concept whatever of nature or mind or death or God. I literally thought through my body. Without a single exception, my memories of that time are tactual...there is not a spark of emotion or rational thought in these distinct, yet corporal memories. I was like an unconscious clod of earth. Then, suddenly, I knew not how or where or when, my brain felt the impact of another mind, and I awoke to language, to knowledge of love, to the unusual concepts of nature, of good and evil!" ¶ Slowly, painfully, she learned the names of the things she could touch; she learned to talk and to listen with her hands. She learned to read - to write and to transmit; she was admitted to Radcliffe College - and studied there. No |

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| 8/29/1968 (cont) | Library (cont) | ¶ Helen Keller's book is the firm knowledge of the spiritual world, where she had to live immune from the distractions of the physical world - and the courage and faith that came as a result of this knowledge. ¶ Norman Vincent Peal says this; if a world-wide poll were to be taken to determine the most outstanding moment of our generation, no doubt the top selection would be Helen Keller. The good she has done through her work for the blind and other handicapped people throughout the world is enormous. And many a person, with or without handicaps, has been inspired by Helen Keller's books. ¶ Miss Keller's dynamic personality shines out through her lovely praises to God and appreciation of the people who helped her spiritually, particularly a kindly old man who assisted Alexander Graham Bell in his work for the deaf, and at the same time shared with Helen the writings of the famous |
| 8/29/1968 (cont) | Library (cont) | ¶ Those who read Helen Keller's book will be rewarded with a rich blessing. "My Religion" by Helen Keller, is available at the Rib Lake Public Library. There are other books by and about Helen Keller as well." |
| 9/12/1968 | Businesses | LITTLE BOHEMIA SOLD "Sale of the Little Bohemia Tavern, Bowling Alley and Restaurant was announced on Monday as a new owner took possession. ¶ The owner, who purchased the establishment of the estate of the late Steve Minarciny, Sr., is Frank Hilbert, Fond du Lac. His nephew, Kenneth Hilbert, also of Fond du Lac, will be the manager. ¶ The Hilberts said that Mrs. Michael Cihasky, the former Judith Kapitz, will manage the restaurant. She had been employed there previously. ¶ Frank Hilbert arrived Monday morning and will be here for several days while the transition of ownership is taking place. Kenneth Hilbert and his family have moved here, and are living in the former Gustafson duplex on old Highway 102 in the southwest part of the village. The family includes his wife, Dianne, and two daughters, Mary Ann, 4-1/2, and Lorie Ann, 7. ¶ The remainder of the staff in the restaurant and bar will be retained. |
| 9/12/1968 | Businesses (cont) | ¶ The Little Bohemia was built shortly after the war, and operated by the Kapitz family until it was sold about 2 years ago to Steve Minarciny, Sr., of Chicago. He died suddenly in May, 1967, and since then the establishment has been under the management of his sister, Mrs. Ann Remias, who was administratrix of the estate. ¶ Frank Hilbert is a partner in the arcade bowling lanes, an 18-alley establishment in downtown Fond du Lac. He said the local |
| 9/19/1968 | Obituary | MRS. ANNA BERG DIES AT OGEMA "Funeral services were held in First Lutheran Church at Ogema Monday afternoon for Mrs. Anna L. Berg, 84, long-time resident of the Ogema community. The Rev. Luther Jacobson officiated, and burial was in the Hillside Cemetery. The body was in state at the Mannel Funeral Home in Rib Lake. Pallbearers were Gary, Michael, Dennis, Allen, Alvin and Albert Berg. ¶ The former Anna Jofa was born in Vassa, Sweden, Nov. 28, 1883, and was married to Frank Victor Berg at Amasa, Michigan, in 1910. They came to the Ogema area in 1910. He died May 11, 1937. ¶ Surviving are two daughters, Elna Berg, Chicago; and Adeline, Mrs. Robert Botensten, Worth, Illinois; and 9 sons, Victor, Fort Lauderdale, Florida; Robert, Lake Worth, Florida; Lloyd, Racine; Arnold, Richwood, Ohio; and Emil, Albert, Walfred, Eugene and Alvin, all of Ogema..." |

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| 9/19/1968 | Schools & Education | SCHOOL ENROLLMENT IS AT RECORD HIGH "Final enrollment figures have now been completed for the school system for the current year. Total enrollment for the school system for 1968-69 term now stands at 814 students. The breakdown is as follows: Clearview School-149; Junior High-216 (includes grade 5 and special education); Westboro Elementary-109; Greenwood School-72; Rib River School-32; and Rib Lake High School-236." |
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| 9/26/1968 | People | DOWN THE ROAD By Gene Clifford "The current wave of so-called "Polack" jokes has had some bi-play politically and nationally. ¶ It seems that Governor Spiro T. Agnew of Maryland, Republican candidate for vice president, referred to "Polish-Americans" as "Polacks," which aroused the ire of John A. Grounouski, former Wisconsin Tax Commissioner, and now US Ambassador to Poland. ¶ He said the Polish-Americans deeply resented the use of the phrase by the GOP presidential hopeful. The Republicans came right back, quoting William Shakespeare, to prove there was no insult. ¶ Republican Congressman Edward J. Derwinski, of the Chicago suburb of South Holland, said that the Bard of Avon used the term some 400 years ago, and not in a derogatory sense. ¶ In scene one of "Hamlet," according to Derwinski's research, Shakespeare referred to the fearsome Polish warriors when he told of Hamlet's father, the King, being so brave that he "smoked the sledded Polacks on the ice." |
| 9/26/1968 | Agriculture | A.S.C. COMMUNITY OFFICERS ARE CHOSEN "Results of the recent community, or township, annual ASC election were announced last Thursday after the mail vote was tabulated. ¶ Elected to local committees in this area, with the chairman, vice chairman, regular member and first and second alternatives listed in succession were: ¶ Town of Rib Lake - Joe Knorn, Florian Turba, Joe Gojmerac, Kenneth Hein and Lloyd Eisner. ¶ Town of Greenwood - Kenneth Bartelt, Ed Bohte, Martin Steen, Clarence Judnic and Alvin Stibbe. ¶ Town of Westboro - |
| 10/17/1968 | Obituary & Agriculture | WILLIAM BUBE, CHEESE MAKER, DIES TUESDAY "Funeral services will be held at 10:00 a.m. Friday in St. John the Baptist Catholic Church for William Bube, 71, retired butter and cheese maker, who died Tuesday at St. Francis Hospital in Milwaukee. ¶ The Rev. Werner Hemmelgarn will officiate, and burial will be in the Lakeview Cemetery. ¶ Mr. Bube was born in Athens Dec. 2, 1896, and was married to Emma Schalk June 23, 1925, at St. Andrew's Church in Rozellville. He was a graduate from the Dairy Course at the University of Wisconsin 1917, and practiced his trade in several locations before coming to Rib Lake as a cheese maker at the old Rib Lake Dairy. ¶ He retired several years ago, and had been in ill health, undergoing amputation of both legs. The family home was at 1120 Church Street on the south side. Surviving are three sons, Thomas, Milwaukee; William Conrad and Charles, both of Rib Lake.." |
| 10/31/1968 | People | JUDITH DYRCZ WED TO CARL BLENNERT "Making their home at 404 1/2 Blain Street in Merrill, are Mr. and Mrs. Carl C. Blennert, who were married at 1:30 p.m. services at St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church on Oct. 19. ¶ The bride is the former Judith L. Dyrzcz, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Dyrzcz, and the groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Nick Blennert, Sr. ¶ The Rev. John Meyer officiated at the double ring ceremony, at an altar decorated with white gladioli and blue tinted carnations. The bride's father gave her in marriage. ¶ Mrs. Roger Johnson, Mrs. |

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| 11/7/1968 | Obituary & Harper Lake | MICHAEL SCHMIDT BURIED SATURDAY "Funeral services were held at 10:30 a.m. last Saturday at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church for Michael Schmidt, 83, a widely-known resident of the area, who died Wednesday at St. Joseph's Hospital after a lingering illness. ¶ The Rev. Werner Hemmelgarn officiated, and burial was in the Lakeview Cemetery. ¶ The pallbearers were Adolph Vlach, Ed Peterson, Anton Curek, Otto Ziemke, Emil Krushat, Alfred Knop, Richard Upjohn, and Elmer Radtke. ¶ He was born in Auburndale Nov. 2, 1884, and lived there until moving to Missouri, where he married Elsie Krause, July 9, 1907, at Dixon. They returned to Wisconsin in 1914, purchasing the Harper Lake farm, which is now the site of Camp Carter. Later, they purchased the North Harper Lake property, and built Harper Lake Resort, which they operated for many years. |
| 11/7/1968 (cont) | Obituary & Harper Lake (cont) | ¶ They had lived in the nearby home since selling the resort property several years ago. He was a Town of Rib Lake Road Commissioner for many years, and also served on the board of the old James Lake School District. ¶ Surviving are the widow, three daughters, Marie, Mrs. William Silbernagel, Caramat, Ontario, Canada; Helen, Mrs. Albert Knop, Marshfield; and Ruth, Mrs. Ed Coughlan, Chicago; a son, William Schmidt, Elmwood Park, Illinois..." |

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| 11/7/1968 | Obituary & Spirit | FINAL RITES HELD FOR HENRY RHODY "Funeral services were held Wednesday at 2:00 p.m. at Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church in the Town of Spirit, for Henry Rhody, 83, a life-long resident of the Town of Spirit, who died Saturday at the Sacred Heart Hospital in Tomahawk. ¶ The Rev. John Meyer of Rib Lake officiated at the services, and burial was in the Spirit Hillcrest Cemetery. ¶ Mr. Rhody was born in the Town of Spirit on Nov. 29, 1884. He was married to Ellen Meier Sept. 15, 1909, at the Zion Church. He was a charter member of that church, a former member of the school board in his community, served the church as secretary for 18 years, and also had been a road foreman for Price County. ¶ Surviving are the widow, 5 sons, Carl Rhody, Spirit; Edward Rhody, |
| 11/7/1968 | Politics | DEMOCRATS IN UPSETS "Taylor County Democrats won the two county offices, which they had contested on Tuesday, when George Ehlert, County Traffic Officer and Deputy Sheriff, upset Lavern Schroeder, Republican, a Medford businessman, 3,027-2,827, and Alvin Sova, farmer and insurance agent, defeated Joe Fleischmann, veteran county treasurer, 3,350-3,057. ¶ Joe Sweda, incumbent Democratic Assemblyman from Lincoln and Taylor Counties, and Chairman of the Taylor County Board, won re-election by about 500 votes. He polled 4,444 in Taylor County, as compared to 2,224 for Raymond W. Osness, Merrill, Lincoln County Clerk..." |
| 12/5/1968 | Clubs/Orders | EDWIN MARTIN IS NEW PRESIDENT OF FISH, GAME CLUB "Edwin Martin was elected president of the Rib Lake Fish & Game Assoc. at the annual meeting in the library basement Monday evening. ¶ He succeeds Frank Yanko, who was ineligible for re-election, having served 2 consecutive terms. ¶ Others named were Elwood Bleck, succeeding Barney Cihasky as vice president, Jean Leonhard, secretary, and Butch Ward, treasurer, the latter two being re-elected...¶ Membership cards and badges for the 1969 calendar year are now available. A total of 246 members were signed this year, with several membership outlets still to be checked." |

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| 12/5/1968 | Railroads | TRAIN SERVICE THREAT "The Public Service Commission has set a hearing at Wisconsin Rapids and Wausau on a Milwaukee Road petition to discontinue daily passenger service on its Wisconsin Valley line between Wausau and New Lisbon, via Junction City, Wisconsin Rapids, Babcock, and several other intermediate points. ¶ Abandonment of the trains would mean that the Rib Lake area would be virtually without railroad passenger service, as the nearest passenger service would be from New Lisbon on the Milwaukee-Twin Cities main line, rather than Wausau...¶ The railroad has discontinued trains 202 and 203, which connect with the road's east-west main line trains at New Lisbon, supplying connections with the Chicago-Minneapolis route." |
| 12/12/1968 | Forests | TIMBER PROGRAM CITED BY FORESTER By Robert Roach, District Forester, Park Falls "All persons participating under the timber stand improvement program are urged to make a special effort to try and complete this practice by the end of the year. I met with the Price County Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Committee the other day, and they were quite concerned as to what might happen in 1969 to people doing timber stand improvement under the 1968 program, and not getting completed with their practice. In the past, people have re-signed for this practice, and carried it over into another program year. When this happens, the money that it set aside for that person goes back to the state fund, and is lost to the county. A new allotment is listed for that person out of the next year's appropriation. ¶ The 1969 appropriation has been reduced in all counties, early sign-ups for all |
| 12/12/1968 (cont) | Forests (cont) | ¶ Markets for hardwood pulp are expected to improve in the next few months. These markets have also indicated that they would take timber stand improvement wood on a priority, as they too are interested in growing quality wood products. ¶ To all whom this message might apply, try to take advantage of the weather, and get out and do some cutting before the snow gets too deep. It will prove profitable to you under the ACP [Agricultural Conservation Program], and also by having faster growing, better quality trees in your woods." |
| 12/12/1968 | Law | NEW U.S. GUN LAWS "Sales of guns and ammunition will be controlled under the new federal gun law, which takes effect Dec. 16. ¶ W.S. Stumpf, District Director of the Internal Revenue for Wisconsin, said IRS is preparing material to help gun dealers, gun buyers, and collectors comply with the new gun control act of 1960, which was enacted by Congress in October. ¶ Stumpf said the new law should not place any unreasonable restrictions on the purchase or ownership of ordinary guns used for hunting, target shooting or other lawful purposes. ¶ Persons under 21 will be prohibited from purchasing pistols, revolvers and ammunition for such weapons, and persons under 18 |

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| 12/12/1968 | Germania & Entertainment | FRIDAY SPECIAL! "December 13 at the Little Bohemia Restaurant, POTATO PANCAKES, Serving starts at 6:00 p.m." |
| 12/19/1968 | Obituary & Greenwood | FRANK GEBAUER, RETIRED FARMER, DIES AT MEDFORD "Funeral services for Frank Gebauer, Sr., 82, Medford, were held Monday morning at Holy Rosary Catholic Church, with the Rev. Joseph Miller officiating. Burial was in the cemetery at St. Ann's Catholic Church in the Town of Greenwood. ¶ Mr. Gebauer had lived in the Town of Greenwood in Medford areas all of his life. He was born in the Town of Greenwood Dec. 6, 1896, and attended school there. He farmed in the Town of Greenwood, and served for a time as school clerk and as supervisor. He retired 20 years ago, and had resided in Medford since that time. ¶ His first marriage was to Wilhelmina Berger, who died Mar. 1, 1916. He was married in July, 1940, to Tilly Hippie at Rib Lake, who also died. |
| 12/19/1968 (cont) | Obituary & Greenwood (cont) | ¶ Surviving sons and daughters are Mrs. William (Amelia) Dassow, Medford; Mrs. Albert (Marie) Willner, Medford; Mrs. Aaron (Loretta) Brahmer, Medford; Mrs. Eugene (Doris) Schlais, West Allis; Frank Gebauer, Jr., and Norman Gebauer, both of Medford; Henry Gebauer, Rib Lake; and Raymond Gebauer, serving with the Air Force in Germany; 4 step-children; 42 grandchildren; 34 great-grandchildren; and 2 sisters, Mrs. Paulina Obowa, Fergus Falls, Minnesota; and Mrs. Selma Benning, Sacramento, California." |
| 12/19/1968 | Politics | MELVIN R. LAIRD EXPLAINS VIEW "Following his acceptance of the Secretary of Defense job in the cabinet of president-elect Nixon, Representative Melvin Laird, Republican, Marshfield, issued the following statement of explanation to his constituents in the 7th Wisconsin Congressional District. ¶ "I know from my experience on the defense appropriations committee that the job of Secretary of Defense is intimately bound up with determining whether we will restore peace to the world and sustain it for the future. If confirmed by the senate, my every effort as the Secretary of Defense will be aimed at that goal. ¶ "My decision to accept the post of Secretary of Defense in the Nixon administration was the most difficult decision of my political life. My long-range ambition had always been to remain in the congress as long as the people of the 7th District continued to support me as their man in |

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| 12/19/1968 (cont) | Politics (cont) | ¶ "When the final decision had to be made, I could not tell the President-elect of the United States that I would not serve my country in this most important post. ¶ "To the people of the 7th Congressional District, I want to express my deepest thanks for the wonderful support and cooperation they have shown me throughout my 16 years as their representative in the Congress of the United States. ¶ "I will continue to serve in the Congress until I am confirmed as Secretary of Defense by the United States Senate. My Washington office and my Marshfield office will continue |
| 12/19/1968 | Education | NEW COLLEGE DEAN MAKES A STATEMENT "Dr. Russell Oliver, Dean of the Medford branch campus, recently explained the relationship between the new branch campus, which will open in the fall in Medford, and the present Taylor County Teachers College, which is now open in Medford. ¶ The Dean stated, "There is no connection between the two schools." He explained that the present Teachers College is operated by Taylor County. The new school is a college of Wisconsin State University-Stevens Point, and is operated by the Board of Regents of State Universities. ¶ Dean Oliver emphasized that the new school is not a teachers college, but a liberal arts school, and will not graduate 2-year elementary teachers. ¶ He explained a liberal arts college offers a curriculum similar to the first two years of a four-year university. ¶ Dean Oliver indicated that a nationwide search |

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| 12/19/1968 | Hunting & Environment | NEW TRAPPING RULES "Beaver trappers are reminded that the season opens on January 4, 1969, and several changes in this year's regulations must be noted. Beaver trappings open from January 4 to March 16, and otter trappings open from January 4 to February 16. The season bag limit is 25 beaver and 2 otter. In Taylor County, beaver and otter trapping <u>will not</u> be open south of STH 64 this year. The same is true for counties west of Taylor. ¶ All pelts must be tagged within 5 days after the close of the season by a conservation warden. Trappers may salvage up to 8 muskrats taken in beaver or otto traps. Muskrat tags may be obtained by writing to the Dept. of Natural Resources, License Section, Madison, WI 53701. ¶ Any trappers desiring information about beaver complaint areas in Taylor County can inquire at Dept. of Natural Resources offices in the courthouse or the state ranger station at Medford." |
| 12/19/1968 | Rib Lake Herald | POSSIBLY ABOUT YOU---SHOE FACTORY'S EMPLOYEES HAVE PARTY "The employees of Gem Products, Inc., held their annual Christmas Party last Saturday evening at the Lakeside. A turkey and ham buffet-style supper, beginning at 7:00 p.m., was followed by an evening of dancing with music by Frank Gasek. ¶ Mrs. Chester Curran accompanied Mrs. Vienna Lucia to Medford on business Monday. ¶ John Hebda has returned home, after undergoing surgery at the Veteran's Hospital in Madison. ¶ Mr. and Mrs. George Fyksen of Marshfield called on |
| 12/19/1968 (cont) | Rib Lake Herald (cont) | ¶ Weekend visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Verl Bokath were their son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Chuck Bokath, and a son, from West Allis. ¶ Mr. and Mrs. Ed Stamm drove to Wausau Wednesday to pick up their nephew, Colonel R.A. Grant, Washington, D.C. He was in the area on business and spent a few days here with them. ¶ Mrs. Elizabeth Mathias was informed that her son, Dr. Dan Mathias, Green Bay, was awarded \$100 for the |

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| 12/24/1968 | Politics | OBEY IS CANDIDATE "Assistant Assembly Minority Leader David R. Obey (Democrat-Wausau) has announced that he will be a candidate for congress in Wisconsin's 7th Congressional District if Governor Knowles calls a special election to fill the vacancy created by the appointment of Congressman Melvin R. Laird, to be the next Secretary of Defense. ¶ Obey, 30, was elected to his 4th term in the State Assembly last November from Marathon County's second district. First elected to the State Assembly in 1962 at the age of 24, Obey has risen rapidly in legislative rank. He served as Assistant Minority Leader in the last legislative session, and was re-elected to that post by his Democratic colleagues three weeks ago. ¶ In his first term, he was named one of three outstanding freshman assemblymen by several state newspaper writers. In his second term, he served as vice chairman of the joint finance committee, and was the recipient of a legislative leadership award by the Eagleton Institute of Politics at Rutgers University. |
| 12/24/1968 (cont) | Politics (cont) | ¶ Last year Obey was named Wisconsin's outstanding education legislator for 1968 by the National Education Association's Rural Division, and in October was named Outstanding Education Legislator in the nation by the same organization." |
| 12/24/1968 | Obituary | MRS. NIKKILA DIES "Funeral services will be held at 1:00 p.m. Thursday at First Lutheran Church at Ogema for Mrs. Walter Nikkila, 82, who died Sunday in St. Joseph's Hospital at Marshfield. ¶ The Rev. Luther Jacobson will officiate, and burial will be in Leavitt Creek Cemetery, in the Town of Hill. ¶ The former Aliina Maria Kangas was born in Finland, Aug. 8, 1886, and came to the United States with her family when she was 14 years old. They settled in South Dakota, and then moved to Minnesota. She was married to Mr. Nikkila in Castlewood, South Dakota, in 1905, and they came to the Ogema area in 1907. Mr. Nikkila died in 1945. ¶ Surviving are 10 children, Pearl, at home; Florence, Mrs. Robert Cotton, Milwaukee; Mildred, Mrs. Carl Hauser, Church Falls, Virginia; Clarence, Westboro; and Ernest, Carl, William, Roy, Harold and Melvin, all of Ogema; 29 grandchildren and 10 |
| 12/24/1968 | Overview - 12/24/1968 & Entertainment | DOWN THE ROAD "Editor's Note: Carl A. (Cub) Zielke was somewhat musical in his earlier days in Rib Lake, (he plays the garbolina now), found this interesting account of a rehearsal of the Rib Lake Village Band when, as he says, he was cleaning out some drawers at his home in Madison. ¶ It was written as an English theme when he was a freshman at the University of Wisconsin in 1939, and he added somewhat paranthetically that time flies, since this was some 39 years ago. ¶ It was published in the Rib Lake Herald at the time, but those treasured files are among those which are missing, so we're happy to reproduce it again, for, as Cub wrote, "if you're out of town and need column copy, here it is." ¶ OUR VILLAGE BAND "The best in the county" is the honor bestowed upon our Band. The only band in Taylor County is also the same band, figure it out for yourself. |

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| 12/24/1968 (cont) | Overview - 12/24/1968 & Entertainment (cont) | ¶ As it was Thursday night and about a quarter of eight, I got my cornet, a Clear Tone, from the mail order house, out of the closet, brushed the dust from the case, loosened the valves with a bit of saliva, inserted the mouthpiece and played the scale twice. I then found that my lip was a trifle weak, due probably to the heavy practicing I had neglected the past week. After searching in vain for my music stand, I went down to the village hall which was being used as the rehearsal room. ¶ I had to wait a few minutes at the hall before I could get in, as the firemen were having a meeting, and that would hold up band practice for about 10 minutes. In this spare time, I walked across the street to Jim's Place, and I had just got inside when Meeks, the bass player, stepped in and treated me to a glass of |
| 12/24/1968 (cont) | Overview - 12/24/1968 & Entertainment (cont) | I don't know if you have ever heard that piece, it's one where the bass has a dandy solo part in it, the name of it isn't "That old gray mare," but anyhow, in the trio, the bass part goes just like that, and can he ever play it swell, boy o' boy. ¶ By now the firemen decided to have Herman Batzer run the new fire truck exclusively, as one of the other boys had hit a post in the last drill, and band practice was about to begin. The boys were all there except Jake Bursik, the solo cornetist. We never started without Jake, as he used to play with the Western Union Band in Chicago. Gosh, he was some player too. I bet he could have played with Sousa like nothing. Finally, Jake came. He excused himself for being late, as it was then haying time, and it looked a little like rain, and he wanted to be sure and get it into the shed. Of course, none of the boys said anything as they knew what it was to get hay wet. The Judge, seeing Jake was there, came over from the corner where he and Art, the solo cornetist, were deciding what pieces to practice up on for the county fair. |
| 12/24/1968 (cont) | Overview - 12/24/1968 & Entertainment (cont) | The Judge, of course, is the director. After spitting out his tobacco, he picked up his piccolo and starting tuning up. I didn't need to tune up because I knew if she was in tune the last time, she would be now, cause I hadn't touched her. ¶ The first piece we played was El Capitan. It was written by Sousa. Gosh, that's a swell tune. Of course, I didn't play all of it; I leave out the second strain because the notes are a little thick there. The part in that piece I like best is the last strain, and also in the first part of the trail I always rest, so I can give her the "gun" in the last. Well, I was just started in the strain and was just going to hit that high one in the first measure, when some of the gas from that dynamic home brew came back at me, and I made the darndest note you ever heard. I looked up |
| 12/24/1968 (cont) | Overview - 12/24/1968 & Entertainment (cont) | One thing about our band is that we always end a piece in good shape, except now and then someone puts an extra note on. But this time we had all ended together, only when the drummer hit the last note, he busted the drum-head. Gosh, that made it tough the rest of the rehearsal, as a good drummer can cover up a lot of blue notes, and it doesn't sound so good without a drum. While the Judge and Art were looking over the drum-head, Al Schroeder and John Stelling played a few strains of "Immer Noch Ein Trepchen." It certainly is swell to have a couple of fellows in the band who can play those old tunes by ear. They can play "Du Du Liebst Mir In Herzen," "Im Lauterbach" and "Old |

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| 12/24/1968 (cont) | Overview - 12/24/1968 & Entertainment (cont) | ¶ I have to tell you about the cornet section. It's a dandy. I'll bet we have the sweetest cornet section of any little band in - well - it's a pretty darn good bunch. First there's Art Taylor. He plays solo, and when Judge ain't there, he leads the band, so you know he's good. Then there's my dad. He even plays solos for the parent-teacher's association programs. One of the pieces he played and triple-tongued in it, too, but he never played that part because my sister couldn't get the accompanying part on the piano because it's in four flats right there. Then comes me. I play the first cornet part, that is, most of the time, because sometimes when the peck horns ain't there, I play second and third cornet, part to get the "um-tah-tah, um-tah-tah," in. Then there's Mutts McRae. He plays second |
| 12/24/1968 (cont) | Overview - 12/24/1968 & Entertainment (cont) | ¶ Well, Judge said that seeing we were all there but Doc, (he was laid up with a cold), and seeing that the drum was broken, we would quit a little early and have a meeting. Well, the first business thing was about the drum-head. Frank Becker, who runs the grocery store, said he could get one through a wholesale house pretty reasonable, and Art, who runs the hardware, said he could get one, he bet, cheaper because he had a catalog at home with them in. Then, Al Lindow, the drummer, said he had an uncle in Minneapolis who worked in a music store, and he would have him order it and then the band could pay him. I started to say that I had seen some darn good ones in the mail-order catalog, but they shut me up. Meeks said us kids would have to learn to keep still at the meetings. We voted |
| 12/24/1968 (cont) | Overview - 12/24/1968 & Entertainment (cont) | The next business was about playing for the church ice cream social Saturday night. We agreed to play for it, although Marlin Schroeder said the charity jobs were getting his goat. Then, it was decided that the band buy a new coat for Elmer Taylor, as his had been stolen at the last firemen's ball. Frank said he had a good idea where the coat went, as he thought he had seen it somewhere when he was taking census, but he could not say anything as it would be against the law. The last business was about ordering the band music for the piece "Ramona," as the 4th grade teacher was going to give it at the next concert. Then Judge said if there was no more business to be transacted, we |
| 12/24/1968 | Businesses | IT'S CHRISTMAS! "May blessings and abundance be yours on Christmas Day. Ken and Diane Hilgart and staff, d/b/a the Little Bohemia Bowling, Bar and Restaurant." ¶ 2. Dick and Thelma Upjohn, d/b/a The Upjohn Store. ¶ 3. Louis and Marcella Trojniar, d/b/a L&M Bar, Rib Lake. ¶ 4. Mr. & Mrs. Art Hilgart, d/b/a Art's Barbershop. ¶ 5. Jeanette Nelson, d/b/a Rib Lake Beauty Shop. ¶ 6. Earl and Norma Maes, d/b/a Harper Lake Resort, Route 1, Westboro; ¶ 7. Ken & Reka Wagner, d/b/a Chalet Motel and A&W Drive-In, Rib Lake. ¶ 8. Marty & Inez Vanucha, d/b/a Olde Town Gift & Liquor. ¶ 9. Herman S. Smith, d/b/a Smith Welding Service. ¶ 10. Mr. & Mrs. John J. & Phyllis Dolezalek, d/b/a Johnny's Electric. ¶ 11. Mr. & Mrs. Dale & Nancy Strobach, d/b/a Dale's Supermarket. ¶ 12. Mr. & Mrs. Duane Warner, d/b/a The Gamble Store. ¶ 13. Ernest Sunderlin, d/b/a Sunderlin's Thermogas & Econ-o-Wash - coin operated laundry. ¶ 14. Lakewood Credit Union. ¶ 15. George Rukosa, d/b/a The Pike & |

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| 12/24/1968 (cont) | Businesses (cont) | ¶18. Mr. & Mrs. Duane Powers [dentist]. ¶ 19. Louis Heglmeier, d/b/a Heglmeier's Bakery. ¶ 20. Mr. & Mrs. Robert Gums, d/b/a Gums Painting Service.¶ 21. Mr. & Mrs. Emery Peterson, d/b/a Pete's Mobil Service. ¶ 22. Mr. & Mrs. Ed Hong, proprietors, David Attwood, manager, Mrs. Alvina Attwood, supervisor of nursing, d/b/a Golden Age Nursing Home. ¶ 23. Mr. & Mrs. Roger Johnson, d/b/a Roger's Servicenter. ¶ 24. Mr. & Mrs. John P. Schreiner, d/b/a Rib Lake Roller Mills. ¶ 25. Gordon & Virginia Gehrt, d/b/a Gehrt's Bar. ¶ 26. Satch & Velva Kapitz, Route 1, Tripoli, WI, d/b/a Talbot's Resort. ¶ 27. The Roy and Leroy Stewarts, d/b/a Stewart's Lumber and Fuel. ¶ 28. Mr. & Mrs. Andrew Zondlo, Route 1, [cattle hauler and buyer] ¶ 29. State Bank of Medford - stations at Rib Lake and Oconto ¶ 30. Mr. & Mrs. Edwin Thuma, d/b/a Thuma Oil Company, Phillips 66 products. ¶ 31. Mrs. Southwell ¶ 32. Mrs. Southwell ¶ 33. Art & Clara Kapitz, d/b/a Art's Bar, Medford. ¶ 34. Herb & Tina Duesing, d/b/a Herb & Tina's Tavern, Hwy 13 & M. ¶ 35. Ron & Pep Simeks, d/b/a Tombstone Pizza, Medford, WI [this is the first time that this bonanza company has published in the Rib Lake Herald.] ¶ 36. John & Madlyn Sabo, d/b/a Coast-to-Coast Store, Rib Lake. ¶ 37. Dr. & Mrs. Siegfried F. Hesse [Rib Lake physician]" |
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| 12/31/1968 | Entertainment | DOWN THE ROAD By Gene Clifford "Christmas time has come and gone again, with some nice weather during the season, and some rather less than nice. There was a lot of food, with the cold waves due on New Year's Eve, it may be a little difficult to navigate, but the inner spirits of most of the celebrants will be warm in more ways than one, according to the custom. The community was enlivened by the Snowmobile Derby over the weekend, enlivened isn't exactly the most descriptive word for that orgy of speed and fun - but it's a nice way to say it. ¶ The Editor had his first snowmobile drive, when Barb Raatz took him scooting up and down the streets and alleys on her Arctic Cat, while he hung on for dear life - hung, that is, to both Barb and the Arctic Cat. It was fun, but we were a little chilled and shaken, as we weren't prepared for it, either in the matter of clothes or mentality. ¶ We thought it was fitting that the impromptu racing was on the site of the old McComb racetrack, where the early residents of the community used to square off their horses against each other in the gay 90's. ¶ These two days near the end of 1968 were as gay as any 60 or more years ago, we would think.." |
| 12/31/1968 | Obituary & J.J. Kennedy & family | MRS. ANNIE TALBOT DIES AT 88, WAS EARLY RESIDENT "Funeral services were to be held at 2:00 p.m. Wednesday, January 1, at the Mannel Funeral Home for Mrs. Charles L. Talbot, 88, an early Rib Lake resident, who died Sunday at the Golden Age Nursing Home at Tomahawk. ¶ The Rev. Clark Williams, Tomahawk, will officiate, and burial will be in the family plot in Lakeview Cemetery. ¶ The body was to be in state at the funeral home after 4:00 p.m. Tuesday. The former Annie Nelson was born in the Town of Little Black on March 8, 1880, and as a young woman, moved to Rib Lake, where she was employed by J.J. Kennedy, founder of Rib Lake. She was married to Mr. Talbot on Feb. 14, 1898, at Marshfield, and they moved to Marshfield, but to return to Rib Lake |
| 12/31/1968 (cont) | Obituary & J.J. Kennedy & family (cont) | ¶ She was active until she was hospitalized in April, 1968. ¶ She was a charter member of the Lehman-Clendenning Legion Auxiliary unit. Mr. Talbot died Dec. 10, 1961. ¶ Surviving are a daughter, Velva, Mrs. Millard Kapitz, Willow Lake; and a son, Harry Talbot, Tripoli; 4 granchildren and 13 great-grandchildren. ¶ She was preceded in death by two brothers and two sisters." |

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| 12/31/1968 | Entertainment & Rib Lake - Village | SNOWMOBILE DERBY AGAIN A BIG SUCCESS "In spite of general weather conditions, which made travel to Rib Lake somewhat questionable, the Lions Club's Third Annual Snowmobile Derby on Saturday and Sunday was the usual success. ¶ There may have been a few less entries than last year, and water on top of the ice on Rib Lake, prevented its use for the closed course races, but other phases were satisfactory. ¶ Drivers in cross-country races, which covered a course north and west of the village, reported the terrain a little rough at times. The closed course races on Sunday had to be transferred to the high school flats. ¶ About 1,100 tickets were sold. ¶ A refreshment stand in the junior high school bus garage, which was general headquarters for the affair, did a thriving business, under the supervision of John Sabo. ¶ Leroy Stewart was general chairman of the event...." |
| 12/31/1969 | Greenwood & Obituary & Germania | MRS. KLEMM STRICKEN "Funeral services for Mrs. Robert Klemm, 69, Town of Elk, Price County, who died Sunday after a lingering illness, were held at 2:00 p.m. Thursday at the Community United Church of Christ, with the Rev. Joseph Geide officiating. Burial was in the new Medford Evergreen Cemetery. ¶ Eastern Star services were held at the funeral home at 8:00 p.m. Wednesday. ¶ The former Meta Thomsen was born at Medford July 5, 1899, and received her education there, later attending the Taylor County Teachers College. She taught for a time in Taylor County schools and was married to Robert Klemm in the Town of Greenwood on June 9, 1920. ¶ After their retirement from farming, they moved to a home in the Town of Elk 5 years ago. She was a member of the Community United Church of Christ, the women's gild, the Medford Chapter of Order of Eastern Star, and the G.U.G. Society..." |
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| 1/9/1969 | Rib Lake - Town | RIB LAKE TOWN TAXES UP \$3.18 "The tax rate in the Town of Rib Lake in 1968 increased by \$3.18 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation over the rate of 1967, from \$29.81 to \$32.99, Lavern Zuege, clerk, reports. ¶ The assessed valuation of the Town dropped \$51,115 in 1968...¶ A break-down of the \$35.41 tax per \$1,000 valuation in Joint District #1, Rib Lake, is as follows: State - \$ 21; County - \$13.26; Local \$3.66; and School \$18.08." |
| 1/9/1969 | War - Soldiers & Spirit | SPIRIT ROUND-UP - GERMAN SETTLEMENT "1968 is history now. The year brought both sadness and happiness to our family and to many of our friends. It didn't bring what everyone hoped and prayed for, namely, the end of the war in Vietnam. Only 113 Americans killed in the past week, they report, which is 113 too many. Surely |

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| 1/9/1969 | History - 1/9/1969 | EARLY SETTLEMENT - TAYLOR COUNTY HISTORY (Much of this chapter is taken from a historical sketch prepared by Harold O. Ruesch, county clerk, mimeographed for distribution a number of years ago.) ¶ The entry of government plan now embraced by Taylor County was made by Henry Corwith of Chicago June 1, 1867. E.L. Urquhart settled on land in the Taylor County region August, 1870, remaining only a short time. He cruised timber and camped in the neighborhood of what later became the City of Medford. Mr. Urquhart did, however, return to Taylor County to become a permanent resident. ¶ A. E. Harder is recognized as the first permanent settler of the county. He established himself in Dec. 1872, on the north half of the NW 1/4 of Section 34, Township 31, north of Range 1 East. This location is now within the City of Medford. ¶ Pat Mullaloy and C.W. Norton came to Taylor County in 1873 for the purpose of furnishing ties for the Wisconsin Central Railroad Company. [The railroad was constructed through Taylor County in 1873.] |
| 1/9/1969 (cont) | History - 1/9/1969 (cont) | The depot of the Wisconsin Central was the first frame building erected in Sept. 1873, on what later became Medford. King and McIntyre opened the first store in this region in 1874. ¶ On March 4, 1875, Taylor County was set off from parts of Clark, Marathon, Chippewa and Lincoln Counties, with boundaries as follows: (present boundaries of the counties are the same as those established in 1875.) ¶ Sources differ as to the deviation of the name "Taylor" - some say the county was named after William R. Taylor, Governor of the state at the time the county was organized; others say it was named for David Taylor, of Sheboygan, prominent jurist at the time of the organization of Taylor County, and later a State Supreme Court Justice. ¶ The act creating Taylor County provided |
| 1/9/1969 (cont) | History - 1/9/1969 (cont) | ¶ The acting director to the governor to appoint county officers before March 25, 1875, such officers to qualify and take office on Mar. 25, 1875, and serve until Jan. 1, following the general election in November of 1875. Those appointed by the governor were Alfred Dodge, county clerk; W.B. Jeffers, Register of Deeds; W.E. Lockerby, Clerk of Circuit Court; E.R. Prink, County Judge; J.K. Parish, District Attorney; E.C. Thomas, Sheriff; Enoch Honeywell, Coroner; F.A. Healy, County Treasurer; O.N. Lee, County Superintendent of Schools; and A.D. Hunt, County Surveyor. ¶ The action of the county further provided that Taylor County was to constitute one town to be known as the Town of Medford, and the first election of the Town of Medford was to be held at the store owned by Roberts & Whelen, mill owners, on the first Tuesday in April, 1875. The elected town board was to act as the Board of |
| 1/16/1969 | Schools | RIB LAKE HIGH SCHOOL NEWS By Veronica Rhody, Joyce Schreiner and Cecilia Dums "Last Wednesday and Thursday we didn't have school because of snow. On Friday school resumed. Friday night Rib Lake won both A and B games when they played Tripoli at Tripoli. ¶ Mr. Orthmann has ordered the music for those entering the music festival. ¶ Joyce Vanderhoof won the Betty Crocker award for Home Economics. The test was given to all senior girls. ¶ Friday night is homecoming. Rib Lake will host Butternut in basketball. After the basketball game, there will be a dance from 10:00-12:00, with Joe Judnic and Lynn Bieniek reigning as king and queen. The grand march will be at 11:00. Music will be provided by the "Bridge." |

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| 1/16/1969 | Obituary | RAYMOND WASHATKA, 77 "Funeral services were held at Park Falls recently for Raymond Washatka, 77, a former Chelsea resident well-known in the dairy industry. ¶ The Rev. Charles Froelich, formerly of Westboro, officated at the rites at St. Anthony's Catholic Church, and burial was in the Nola Cemetery. ¶ He was born June 29, 1891, at Chelsea, where he spent his early life, and attended school before going to Park Falls in 1920. ¶ While in this area, he was a partner of Ed Prien in a hoop factory at Chelsea, and also the Rib Lake Creamery. " |
| 1/16/1969 | Schools & Westboro | WESTBORO SCHOOL NEWS "Kindergarten - tell me something about winter. ¶ Brian Kennedy - you catch cold and you have to take cough medicine, and your legs get red when snow gets down your boots. ¶ Rose Matya - you have to wear winter clothes, like warm pants and sweat shirts and boots and mittens and tassel caps. ¶ Marlene Czerniak - you can sled ride and bokkan and saucer sled. ¶ Mike Quednow - it storms out and you can't go to school, but you can go snowmobiling. ¶ We learn about simple machines. Marlene Czerniak's daddy made us a |
| 1/16/1969 (cont) | Library (cont) | FROM OUR LIBRARY By Star Powers "OPEN LETTER TO THE EDITOR: Dear Gene: After this column is printed, I won't be able to work up any more copy for Library Notes. I must say "Finis." ¶ Family commitments, plus a few other obligations (a writing contract included), have me so swamped for the next 6 or 8 months or so that "something has to go." This is only one of about a half dozen tasks I must relinquish, at least temporarily, to make room for others. ¶ Please know that you have the immense gratitude of the entire library board for having printed our Library Notes for so many years, consecutively (almost), since April 6, 1965. Next April it would have been four years. There is no doubt it has given the library a boost, and kept many persons aware that the library is a vital and necessary educational force in the local community. ¶ I personally am grateful to you for having kept my ¶ The Taylor County history is progressing. I write on a strict schedule (writing 6 or more hours per week) - as you know, this is the only way to do it. But I have hit a hurdle. I have several letters out to the National Archives Research Center, and other historical research agencies to either investigate or Xerox certain items...They are dreadfully slow with their replies..I am sure our Librarian will be happy to "do" a column for The Herald from time to time as she has always done in the past for the special library occasions, National Library Week, Children's Book Week, Story Hour, and so forth. ¶ So, let me quote an old WRITER'S PRAYER: "Oh Lord, fill my mind with |
| 1/23/1969 | Politics & People | TAYLOR COUNTY BOARD GRANTS PAY INCREASES "Principal business of the Taylor County Board Tuesday of last week was to set up a pay schedule for county employees. ¶ The annual salary of the county clerk was set at \$7,200, up \$50 per month; county treasurer at \$6,800, up \$16 per month; register of deeds \$6,300 per year, up \$30; clerk of court \$6,300, up \$30 a month. ¶ Secretaries or heads of both departments received raises of \$30 per month, the low monthly salary being \$260, and the high \$290. The salary to the deputy register of deeds |
| 1/23/1969 | Spirit | SPIRIT ROUND-UP - GERMAN SETTLEMENT "Inauguration Day. This is an important day for our nation. I am sure there are many prayers being said for Richard Nixon today. It is his duty to keep our nation great, not with a show of military strength, but by example. Certainly, unless a nation commands a respect of its own citizens, it |

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| 1/23/1969 | Hunting | CONSERVATION NOTES "Hunting bobcat, coyotes and fox during winter is a well-established sport in northern Wisconsin, and sportsman's and civic clubs now organize group hunts, to make the long, cold season seem a little shorter. ¶ The hunts are social events, primarily, with proceeds from registration fees set aside for civic and charitable purposes. Killing predatory animals is secondary, and sometimes none are bagged, despite the use of trained dogs, walkie-talkie radios, and snowmobiles. The equipment is used for coordination and safety as much as for locating or persuing the quarry. ¶ One of the best-known of the organized hunts, the Phillips Lions Club Coyote |
| 1/23/1969 (cont) | Hunting (cont) | ¶ Twelve dog handlers, with 30-40 hounds, at least one spotter plane, and walkie-talkies on citizen band 11, will be on hand to help hunters. Prizes will be awarded to the best dog and the best handler, and to the first man who bags a coyote or other legal predator. ¶ Registration fees of \$10 may be sent to "Coyote Hunt, Phillips, Wis. 54555." The fees include 2 hunter's breakfasts, and 2 lunches." |
| 1/23/1969 | Camp 8 & Forests, County | SMALL FLOWAGE APPROVED "The Wisconsin Dept. of Natural Resources announced Monday that it had granted a permit to Taylor County for the construction of a dam for a small impoundment on county forest land 5 miles northeast of Rib Lake. The county will construct an earthen dam on a tributary of Wood Creek. ¶ The dam will be located in the SW 1/4 of NW 1/4, of Section 25, Township 33 North, Range 3 East, Town of Rib Lake. The purpose of the dam is to create a pond for recreation and wildlife habitat. The dam will be constructed of earth fill, with a metal pipe outlet structure, and a 50-foot-wide emergency spillway." |
| 1/23/1969 | Businesses | BUD'S 18TH ANNIVERSARY "Bud's IGA Store will hold its 18th anniversary sale this weekend, January 23, 24 and 25. ¶ The late Bud Freeck and Mrs. Opie Freeck bought the establishment from the George Seidels in 1951, and have operated it continuously. ¶ Present employees of Mrs. Freeck are Mrs. Ray Turba, Mrs. Ray Parks, Ed Zondlo, Stanley Hebda and Michael Schneider." |

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| 1/23/1969 | Rib Lake Fish & Game Assoc. | ICE FISHING CONTEST ON SUNDAY "Everything is set for the 18th annual ice fishing contest, to be held on Rib Lake this Sunday, January 26. ¶ Contest hours are from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. ¶ Fishing conditions may not be too good, as this is being written, but it is hoped that they may be improved by Sunday. ¶ If not, there still will be plenty to do. ¶ Free chicken booyah will be served to ticket holders at the Lakeside, from, roughly, noon on. ¶ There will be card playing for prizes, at the same location, all afternoon. ¶ In addition to dozens of door prizes which will be distributed to ticket holders, the grand awards will be a Remington 12 gauge pump shotgun; a Remington .22 caliber nylon automatic rifle, and a kitchen blender. ¶ Prizes will be awarded to the fishermen, as well, and the summer fishing contest prizes also will be distributed. ¶ The affair is sponsored by the Rib Lake Fish & Game Assoc. Tickets are available at many business places in the community in advance, and will be available at the door at the Lakeside and on the ice on Sunday." |
| 1/23/1969 | Germania | BERLIN SUGAR MUSEUM HAS MOLASSES PIPE [Photograph of molasses pipe] "This molasses pipe is one of the several thousand exhibits at the Sugar Museum in West Berlin. Of Pakistani origin, the bowl is filled with tobacco, steeped in molasses, topped with a layer of glowing charcoal. The smoke is cooled by drawing it through the water that fills the lower reservoir of this unique pipe. ¶ The world's oldest of its kind, Berlin's Sugar Museum was founded in 1901, and is part of the Technical University's century-old Institute of Sugar Technology. West Germany meets its own needs with 1.5-2 million tons of sugar refined from home-grown beets each year. This is logical, since the sugar content of beets was discovered in 1747 by the Berlin chemist A.S. Marggraf; and his pupil, F.K. Achard, another Berliner, built in 1902 (in Silesia) the first sugar factory, of which a working model is on display at the museum." |
| 1/30/1969 | Politics | TOWN OFFICERS ARE OPPOSED "What originally was expected to be a quiet spring, election-wise, has developed into a full-scale operation, with both a March primary and April election for state officers. ¶ There are three candidates for the Republican nomination for 7th District Congressman, to succeed Melvin R. Laird, now US Secretary of Defense, and three Democratic candidates, making a March primary necessary. ¶ The Republicans are State Senator Walter John Chilson, Wausau, affiliated with the Wausau radio station; Carl Dretzke, Manawa business; and Hyde Murray, who has been a federal employee for several years, and is a son of the late |
| 1/30/1969 (cont) | Politics (cont) | ¶ In the Town of Rib Lake, Chairman Fred Vlach will be opposed by Marlin Walbeck, the present two side supervisors, Andrew Zondlo and Fred Radtke, will be opposed by Richard Gordon, Clayton Kauer and Thomas J. Polacek, Sr. ¶ Town Clerk Lavern Zuege and Treasurer Florian Turba will have no opposition. Vying for the post of Town Assessor, to succeed Steve Olah, who did not seek re-election, are Allan Hanke and Joseph Knorn." |

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| 1/30/1969 | War - Soldiers | JAMES MARSCHKE HURT IN VIETNAM "Word was received Wednesday by Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Marschke, Route 1, that their son, Pfc. James Marschke, was wounded in the Army in Vietnam, and now is in a hospital in Da Nang. ¶ Extent of the injuries were not learned, but apparently they were not too serious, as a youngster enclosed a picture of him from the hospital in which he was being awarded a Purple Heart medal. The bullet apparently struck the bone, as well as injuring the flesh. ¶ Exact date of the injury was not learned, but Mrs. Marschke had received a letter on Tuesday dated January 19, in which Jim related that he had been in a hospital for a minor injury to his eyes, sustained when his unit was ambushed in the moutains south of Da Nang, and several of his companions were shot. ¶ In the latest letter, Marschke wrote his parents that he probably would not be writing again, for a while, |
| 1/30/1969 | Law | MARRIAGE IS ANNULLED "Judge Peter Seidl heard evidence in an annulment case in county court January 14. He granted the plaintiff, Dwight Kraschnewski, Town of Chelsea, an annulment. Clayta Kraschnewski, Belvedere, South Carolina, was the defendant. The annulment was granted on grounds that the previous marriage of his wife was not terminated. They had been married at Augusta, Georgia, July, 1968. Dwight Kraschnewski is presently |
| 1/30/1969 | Clubs/Orders | EASTERN STAR INSTALLS "Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Kasperek were installed as Worthy Matron and Worthy Patron of Medford Chapter 154, Order of the Eastern Star, January 23, at the Medford Masonic Temple. ¶ Installing officers were Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Oleson, Installing Matron and Patron; Mrs. Erwin Pries, Installing Marshal; Mrs. Ernest Sunderlin, Installing Chaplain; Mrs. Kenneth Nowak, Installing Organist; and Mrs. Leslie Ketelhut, Acting Conductress...¶ Ms. Tammy Boelk, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leon Boelk, placed the Bible on the altar, escorted by candle-bearers, Miss Sandra Klemm, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Eugene Klemm, and Miss Roberta Scholl, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Scholl. The flag bearers were Trent Harris, son of Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Harris, and Jack Ketelhut, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Ketelhut. Joseph and Jeffrey Kasperek, sons of Mr. and Mrs. James Kasperek, Antigo, presented their grandmother with flowers from the chapter. Soloists were Mrs. Kenneth Nowak and Dr. Eugene Klemm." |
| 1/30/1969 | Politics | YOUR ASSEMBLYMAN REPORTS By Joe Sweda, Assemblyman, Lincoln and Taylor Counties "The 79th session of the Legislature opened this week, and the main topic of conversation for all 133 legislators was the budget and taxes...¶ Two of the most controversial of the governor's recommendations were for an 18-year-old voting age, and for making the wearing of seat belts compulsory " |

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| 1/30/1969 | Law & Rib Lake - Village | ORDINANCE #A-1 RE BUILDING REGULATIONS "The Village Board of the Village of Rib Lake, Wisconsin, do ordain as follows: ¶ Section #1: Within the attached building regulations are hereby adopted as the building code for the Village of Rib Lake, Wisconsin. ¶ Section 2: All ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed. ¶ Section 3: This ordinance shall be in full force and effect upon its passage and publication. Approved George W. Eckhoff, Village President." |
| 2/6/1969 | Bank & Businesses | CREDIT UNION ANNUAL MEETING ON FEB. 12 "The 8th annual meeting of the Lakewood Credit Union will be held at 8:00 p.m. next Wednesday, Feb. 12, in the dining room at the Senior High School. Two directors and one credit committee member will be elected. ¶ The credit union serves residents of the Rib Lake area. It has 786 members, and total assets of \$256,000. ¶ President Joe Frombach will report for the Board of Directors. George Buksa, treasurer, will present the financial statement. Reports will be heard from the credit and examining committees. ¶ John Udick, Wausau, representative of the Wisconsin Credit Union League, will be the principal speaker. Lunch will be served and door prizes will be distributed. ¶ A 4% semi-annual dividend was paid to shareholders on March 31. The payment of \$8,470 brings total dividends paid to members since organization to \$33,335. ¶ At the end of 1968, personal loans outstanding amounted to \$165,000. Shares owned by members totaled \$242,000." |

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| 2/6/1969 | Clubs/Orders | CLUB WILL ELECT "A nominating committee to recommend a slate of officers at the next meeting was appointed by President John J. Sabo at the monthly dinner meeting of the Rib Lake Commercial & Civic Club in the Little Bohemia Restaurant on Tuesday evening. On the committee are Vernon Bruegl, Edwin Martin and Albert Ward. ¶ There was considerable discussion on the South Harper Lake swimming beach, and it was revealed that the club, which previously had received a deed to the property, and has sponsored it for public use for many years, actually has a lake frontage of about 86 feet. ¶ A committee headed by Harold Zielke, county supervisor, was authorized to continue its study and ascertain if some county, state and/or federal assistance might be available for further development." |
| 2/6/1969 | Obituary | ALFRED BUBE DIES "Services will be held at 2:00 p.m. today (Thursday) in the Mannel Funeral Home for Alfred F. Bube, 79, who died Monday at the Memorial Hospital in Medford. ¶ Burial will be in the Lakeview Cemetery. ¶ He was born in Athens Feb. 17, 1889, and had been a cheese maker before his retirement. He had lived recently in the home of his late brother, William Bube, and at the Golden Age Nursing Home. ¶ Surviving are the widow, Mamie Bube, three brothers, Herbert, Chicago; Bodo, Delavan; and Theodore, Delavan; and two sisters, Rosemary, Mrs. Walter Theane, Chicago, and Edna, Mrs. Duane Burkness, Delavan. He was preceded in death by three |
| 2/6/1969 | People & Hunting | NEVER TOO LATE TO START "Couple never shot bow until they were in 40's; now they're champions. ¶ This interesting story about former Rib Lake residents is from last Sunday's "Mens and Recreation" section of the Milwaukee Journal. It was written by Henry L. Norton of the Journal staff. ¶ Mrs. Faber is the former Ann Schreiner, daughter of the Albert Schreiners, and Mr. Faber is a brother of Carl Faber and Mrs. Adolph Vlach. ¶ Even the shelves Les Faber recently built across one in the basement don't comfortably hold all of the 294 trophies, medals, ribbons and pins that he and his wife, Ann, have won since they got interested in archery, he about 9 years ago and she 8. A few trophies still are elsewhere in the rooms. They used to be all over the house at 155 S. 77th Street. ¶ 153 of the trophies were won by Ann, 141 by Les. The 294th they won together. Their names are engraved on its gold plaque six times; they won the couple's competition at the Annual Wisconsin Archery Association Shoots at Fond du Lac each year since 1963. |
| 2/6/1969 (cont) | People & Hunting (cont) | ¶ Ann is the current Wisconsin Outdoor Women's Free Style Champion, a title which she also held in 1964. Les is a former state champion. ¶ Each has an impressive board filled with kettle badges from the Kettle Moraine League (the silver kettles mean high score of the year), diamond-shaped pins from the Wisconsin Field Archers, and assorted other medals, including several from Sentinel Sport Shows. ¶ Ann has 5 pins that indicate perfect scores; Les has a silver totem showing that he is one of three of the 173 members of the West Allis Bowmen Club with perfect scores on all targets in a series ranging from 35 to 80 yards. Each also has a "Robin Hood," which is a trophy only in the personal sense; an arrow shot into the aluminum shaft of another arrow - the modern version of splitting an arrow with another. ¶ Neither Les nor Ann had ever done any bowhunting before the age of 43 - now |

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| 2/6/1969 (cont) | People & Hunting (cont) | ¶ After watching him shoot a few times, she decided she wanted to learn the sport. ¶ The first lesson, in the Faber basement, got no further than pulling the bow string. ¶ "I could pull it back, but I couldn't let it go," Ann recalls. "I stood up there all evening trying to get up enough nerve to let it go." ¶ Before the year was out, she was competing with other women. By the end of the second year, she was winning. ¶ Mrs. Faber uses a bow requiring about a 28-pound pull, and her husband uses a 31-pound pull (the standard of measurement is the number of pounds of effort required to pull the string back 28 inches.) ¶ Their bows are elaborate instruments, costing more than \$100 apiece. ¶ Les and Ann each has two target bows and one hunting bow. Archery is a year-round sport, and they compete at |
| 2/20/1969 2/20/1969 (cont) | Businesses & Rusch Businesses & Rusch (cont) | NEW NURSING HOME IN OPERATION "Rib Lake's newest "industry" - the new Golden Age Nursing Home - opened for "business" last week, with about 30 guests. ¶ It can be considered an industry because of its economic impact on the community, but possibly even more important is the intangible human impact which it will have on the community's elderly individuals, in providing them pleasant and comfortable surroundings for their individual golden ages. ¶ Ground was broken last April for the unusual one-story structure, located on the east side of Pearl Street, across from the Clearview School, at the rear of the clinic building, and across the street, north and east, from the present Golden Age Home, which is in the old Central Hotel building on Railroad Street. ¶ The present ¶ The new establishment is one of three to be operated by Golden Age Nursing Homes, Inc., of Rhinelander. There is one home at Rhinelander, and one almost identical to the Rib Lake home, which is under construction at Tomahawk, and will open in the near future. ¶ Mr. and Mrs. Edward Hong of Rhinelander are the principals of the corporation. They purchased the old home from Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Ford in 1961. It had been in operation for about 2 years at the time. The Hong's have been active in the nursing home business since 1951. ¶ The new building has 28,000 square feet of floor space, with 2 wings for resident rooms extending from the main rotunda in the center. There are several wings housing physical facilities, and there is a room to the east, from the main rotunda, for the addition of two more long wings to provide for a doubling of the present 62 bed capacity. ¶ The combined homes At the present there are three other registered nurses available full or part-time duty - Mrs. Dorothy Helgart, Mrs. Gladys Hettler and Mrs. Violet Melaski. In addition, the staff will include practical nurses, nurse's aids, and other operation and maintenance personnel. ¶ Mrs. Ray Herman is in charge of the kitchen, and Wayne Bullis is maintenance engineer. ¶ Among the facilities leading from the central rotunda is a doctor's office and examination room, an administrative office, a 35 x 40 foot attractive and pleasantly lighted dining room, a crafts and art room, a physical therapy room, laundry, kitchen and staff area. ¶ Rooms for the residents, which are furnished in blue, pink and green, are equipped with furniture of wood and steel. Each room has its private bath. Some have two beds, some one. ¶ There are 5 intensive care rooms, each of which has its direct oxygen supply. A nurse's call system is |
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| 2/20/1969 | Hunting | THE HUNGRY SPORTSMAN, By Eddie Meier "VENISON CASSEROLE Here is an easy-made venison casserole that helps utilize some of those many packages of ground venison in the freezer in a different manner. ¶ Put 2 carrots, 2 ribs of celery and 1 large onion through food grinder. Mix with 1 pound ground venison, 1/4 pound ground pork, 1 beaten egg, 1 medium can of tomatoes, 1 small can mushrooms, and 3/4 cup crushed potato chips. Season to taste. ¶ Place in 2-quart casserole, cover with 1/4 cup crushed chips and bake in moderately slow oven (325 degrees) for 1-1/2 hours. ¶ OVEN-BARBEQUED MUSKRAT "Muskrats which, because of their size, give evidence of being a bit too gamey, can be easily toned down. Soak them 12-24 hours in a vinegar-salt water. To each quart of water, add 2 tablespoons salt and 1 cup of vinegar. ¶ Another precaution in preparing muskrat - or |
| 2/20/1969 (cont) | Hunting (cont) | ¶ Oven barbequed muskrat will tickle your palate into calling for a second serving. Cut 2 young muskrats into serving pieces and brown in hot fat. Transfer to baking pan, cover with barbeque sauce, and bake in moderate oven (350 degrees) 1 to 1-1/2 hours, until tender. Baste meat frequently with sauce in pan. ¶ For sauce: melt 1 stick butter in sauce pan, add one large onion grated, one-half cup water, 1 tablespoon worchestershire sauce, 3 tablespoons lemon juice, 1 teaspoon salt, 1/2 teaspoon pepper, 2 tablespoons paprika, 1/2 teaspoon dry mustard, 1 tablespoon brown sugar, and 2 tablespoons tomato paste. Simmer a few minutes before pouring over meat." |
| 2/20/1969 | Entertainment | WOMEN BOWLERS IN ABBY TOURNEY "Mrs. Kenneth Mannel, Mrs. Jack Wolter, Mrs. Don Meyer, Mrs. Ray Turba, Mrs. Ray Parks, Mrs. Don Underwood, and Lucille Hanson bowled in a tournament at Abbotsford Saturday |
| 2/27/1969 | Education | FIVE ENTER NEW COLLEGE "Five Rib Lake High School seniors became the first Rib Lake applicants to be accepted to the new Medford branch campus of Wisconsin State University - Stevens Point. The campus will open the doors in September, 1969. ¶ The students are: Richard Budimlija, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest R. Budimlija, of Route 1; James F. Harder, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ora F. Harder, of Route 1, Medford; Nita B. Kauer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph F. Kauer, of Route 1; Mary E. Packenham, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Emil Packenham, of Route 1; Warren D. Dums, son of Mr. and Mrs. Donald L. Dums, of Route 1, Rib Lake. He is planning to enter some area of |
| 2/27/1969 | Spirit | SPIRIT ROUND-UP - GERMAN SETTLEMENT "Mr. and Mrs. Carl Meier and Mr. and Mrs. Benny Swanson attended the AAL insurance dinner at Immanuel Lutheran Church at Medford on Sunday evening of last week..." |
| 3/6/1969 | Obituary | EDMUND STAMM SUCCUMBS AFTER LINGERING ILLNESS "Services were held at 2:00 p.m. Wednesday at the Mannel Funeral Home for Edmund F. Stamm, 70, a widely-known businessman in the community, who died last Saturday at St. Joseph's Hospital in Marshfield after a lingering illness. ¶ The Rev. John Meyer, of St. Johns Evangelical Lutheran Church, officiated, and burial was in the Lakeview Cemetery. ¶ Mr. Stamm was born in Medford on July 8, 1898, and lived in the Duluth area before coming to Rib Lake in 1925. He operated the Lakeside Tavern here, the beer distributorship, and later operated a mink ranch at the old tannery site. He served on |

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| 3/13/1969 | Entertainment | DOWN THE ROAD By Gene Clifford "Good news for bowlers department. Ken Hilbert, manager of the Little Bohemia alleys, reports that automatic pin-setters will be installed this spring, possibly before the first of June. ¶ Other anticipated improvements are rearrangement of the bar portion of the establishment, so that a view of the bowling area will be available to patrons, installation of "electric eye" scoring devices, which will reveal the running scores, and other improvements, in line with the latest concepts of bowling operations. ¶ When these improvements are completed, Rib Lake's alleys should be "the best in the west," to coin a phrase." |
| 3/13/1969 | Environment & Recreation | TWO AREA RECREATION PROJECTS SHAPED AT MEETING THIS WEEK "Plans for completion this summer of two recreational projects in the Rib Lake area were formulated Monday night, at a meeting of representatives of the Commercial & Civic Club, and the Fish & Game Association, with Allen Lietzke, county resource agent. The projects are a new bath house at the South Harper Lake beach, which will be sponsored by the Commercial & Civic Club, and completion of the new wayside on Highway 102, at Bloedow's corners, which will be the Fish & Game Association's project. ¶ The Town of Rib Lake, however, will be the official sponsor of both projects, as a government unit must be involved to qualify the project for county and state aid. ¶ Lietzke reported |
| 3/13/1969 (cont) | Environment & Recreation (cont) | ¶ There was some consideration of erecting new toilet facilities at the beach, but Lietzke reported that the county committee did not favor it at this time, as there is a problem with possible water pollution, and the actual width of the beach property, which is owned by the Town of Rib Lake, is only 86 feet. ¶ The bath house will contain separate rooms for men and women, and will be constructed of wood and have no roof, according to plans now available..¶ The plans for the wayside call for additional gravel fill, cutting and trimming trees and removing stumps, plus the erection of two toilet buildings. Work on this project was started last fall, when culverts were |
| 3/13/1969 (cont) | Environment & Recreation (cont) | ¶ Oscar Olson will serve as director of the projects. The work will be done, partially, by the so-called "Green Thumb" project employees, and by other recreation workers employed by the county. A considerable amount of donated labor is expected to keep costs within the budget amounts. ¶ Attending the meeting were Frank Yanko, Ed Martin, Supervisor Harold Zielke, Keith Zintz, Jack Wolter, Chairman Fred Vlach of the Town of Rib Lake, Butch |
| 3/13/1969 | Environment & Agriculture | OUR SOIL - OUR STRENGTH By Thomas Weix "For those of you that own a wild forty or eighty and have thought about developing it for recreational purposes, it's not too late. This is the time to plan for the future. Why not contact the Soil Conservation Service and find out what technical systems they have to offer in the development of your piece of land? ¶ Mother Nature is a great provider. However, there are times when we can help her along. Some of the ways in which we can help is to plant trees, develop a spring into a wildlife or fish pond, maintain or stabilize an eroded hillside, or even open up a snowmobile trail through the area, which, in turn, would stimulate vegetative growth. By the right type of development you not only increase the value of your land dollar-wise, but also increase it from the standpoint of wildlife and recreation. |

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| 3/13/1969 (cont) | Environment & Agriculture (cont) | ¶ Our objective in the Soil Conservation Service is not to uproot or destroy these natural areas, but to utilize them to their best capability. That is why we work on a long-range plan with landowners, such as yourselves, to point out practical and impractical ways of improvement. Just remember, it took Mother Nature many years to build up that piece of ground, and it only takes a few days to destroy it. ¶ Looking back to the last two weeks, the weather situation has been ideal - it began to feel like spring was just around the corner. March, however, is an unpredictable month, and weather conditions can change in a hurry. With the type of weather conditions we have had, our work has progressed very well. By use of drag line equipment, we completed two ponds: one on the |
| 3/20/1969 | Politics | OBEY SPEAKS AT MEDFORD "Assemblyman David Obey of Wausau lashed out at a tax system that collects more money from the poor than it spends on the War on Poverty. ¶ He cited figures showing that families with poverty-level incomes pay out more in local, state and federal taxes than is spent on welfare programs and on the War on Poverty. The Democratic candidate for the 7th Congressional Seat left vacant by Secretary of Defense Melvin Laird, said the poor of this country pay more than a billion-and-a-half dollars in federal income taxes alone. ¶ "The best anti-poverty program" - Obey said - "would be tax relief for minimum income families. In order to boost that tax relief, this country desperately needs tax reform." Obey also referred to a study by the US News and World Report, which showed that the poor pay proportionately higher taxes than do the rich. ¶ "Talk about |
| 3/20/1969 | Education | TWO ENROLL AT MEDFORD "Two more Rib Lake High School seniors have been accepted as students at the new Medford branch campus of Wisconsin State University. They are Michael L. Coleman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Coleman, Route 1; and Joseph W. Judnic, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph H. Judnic, Jr. Young Coleman is interested in the field of biology, and Judnic is interested in entering the field of junior high school education." |
| 4/3/1969 | Obituary | HERBERT CURRAN, VETERAN OFFICER, DIED ON MONDAY "Services were held at 2:00 p.m. Wednesday at Mannel Funeral Home for Herbert C. Curran, 81, a veteran law enforcement officer, and long-time resident of the community, who died early Monday at Memorial Nursing Home in Medford, after a long illness. ¶ The Masonic Lodge of Medford conducted the service, and burial was in the Lakeview Cemetery. ¶ Mr. Curran was born in Canada, Oct. 10, 1887, and came to this area with his parents, when he was 7 years old. His father was a tannery employee. ¶ He was graduated from Rib Lake High School in 1908, and was married to Sophie Brie here Feb. 3, 1916. ¶ He first worked as a guard at the state prison at Waupun, and then became marshal of the village. Later he served as both county sheriff and under-sheriff, and later was the Taylor County Traffic Officer. He served the village again as marshal, and for several years prior to his retirement in 1961. He also had operated a filling station here. ¶ Surviving are the widow, two sons, Clarence (Boots), a Milwaukee police officer; and Harry, police chief at Medford; six grandchildren, 4 great-grandchildren, 2 brothers, Chester, Rib Lake, and Fred, Medford. Three |
| 4/3/1969 (cont) | Obituary (cont) | ¶ He first worked as a guard at the state prison at Waupun, and then became marshal of the village. Later he served as both county sheriff and under-sheriff, and later was the Taylor County Traffic Officer. He served the village again as marshal, and for several years prior to his retirement in 1961. He also had operated a filling station here. ¶ Surviving are the widow, two sons, Clarence (Boots), a Milwaukee police officer; and Harry, police chief at Medford; six grandchildren, 4 great-grandchildren, 2 brothers, Chester, Rib Lake, and Fred, Medford. Three |
| 4/10/1969 | Obituary | BERT AITKEN, 91, STRICKEN; WAS ONCE RESIDENT "Services for Robert (Bert) Aitken, 91, of Medford, a former Rib Lake resident, who died at Memorial Hospital Friday afternoon, were held at the Ruesch Funeral Home at Medford Monday afternoon. The Rev. Harold Hillegas officiated. Burial was in the Hillside Cemetery at Marshfield. ¶ Mr. Aitken was born at Natural Bridge, New York, July 28, 1877, and as a young child moved with his parents to Lancaster, Glengary County, in eastern Canada. He moved to Rib Lake in 1891, and in 1914 moved to |

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| 4/10/1969 | Entertainment | DART BALL AT ZONDLO'S "The all-star game will be played this Friday night at 8:00 p.m. ¶ National league players participating are Herman Steinman, Linae Henrikson, Ken Bartelt, Mel Pollack, Ray Schlosser, Elaine Pollack, Allen Zondlo, Nona Graumann, and Theresa Thilme. ¶ American league players include Butch Brahmer, Mary Scheithauer Norbert Schreiner Ray Schreiner Doug Reavis Stan Hebda Delores Scheithauer Robert |
| 4/10/1969 | Businesses | THE MOTEL DRIVE-IN - A&W ROOT BEER OPEN FOR SUMMER SEASON "Friday, April 11, 1969, weekend opening special....1 gallon root beer (bring container) 25 cents off. Friday only - 5 cent root beers. Saturday night only - 5 cent swirly freeze cones. Sunday only - Ken's famous malts, 25 cents. ¶ We will also be serving short orders of all types of sandwiches, sundaes and all the goodies we are known for. ¶ Call the hotline 427-3146 for take-out orders. Especially that golden crust crisp chicken, fish and shrimp. Always delicious with that home-made goodness. ¶ Something new! London-style fish & chips, English flavor, and fish & chips only 65 cents, try them - you will like the way they are served! ¶ Fresh, new stock of candy, cigars, cigarettes, chips and also ice cream by the gallon or half-gallon - assorted ice cream products. For persons away - we have the Chalet. Ken and Rita Wagner [Advertisement] |
| 4/10/1969 | Businesses | RIB LAKE ROLLER MILLS - ADVERTISEMENT "Midwest dairymen get up to an extra ton of milk per cow with Doboy 328. That's an extra ton of milk per year per cow! Feeding Doboy Milk-R 328 concentrate. Proven by actual D.H.I.A. and other records. ¶ Maybe some of your cows won't increase this much. Maybe only an extra half ton, or even 500 pounds. But even that will more than pay for the 328 - with lots to spare! ¶ You've got to try it to believe it. ¶ Get "328." Now waiting to help boost your production. At Rib Lake Roller Mills, John P. Schreiner, proprietor. Phone 427-3215." |
| 4/17/1969 | Obituary & Greenwood | OTTO C. THIEME, LONG A RESIDENT, DIES WEDNESDAY "Funeral services will be held at 2:00 p.m. Saturday at St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church in the Town of Greenwood for Otto C. Thieme, 89, who died early Wednesday at his home on Route 2, Medford, south of Rib Lake in the Town of Greenwood. He had lived there for more than 60 years. ¶ The Rev. Roger Vomhof will officiate, and burial will be in the church cemetery. ¶ Mr. Thieme was born in Saxon (sic), Germany, Sept. 18, 1879, and came to the United States at the age of 12, where his family settled near Curtiss. He was married to Helen Klemm in 1907, and they settled in the Town of Greenwood, where he lived to his death. ¶ His first wife died in 1928, and in 1931 he was married to Mary Kemp Hastert in the Town of Greenwood. She died in 1964. ¶ Surviving are two sons, Elmer and Arthur Thieme, both of the Town of Greenwood..." |

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| 4/17/1969 | Library | BE ALL YOU CAN BE - READ! "The 12th observance of National Library Week under the sponsorship of the National Book Committee, in cooperation with the American Library Association, will take place the week of April 20-26. ¶ How long has it been since you visited your public library? Those of you who are regular patrons will agree with us, I'm sure, when we say you would hardly recognize your public library of today as you remember it 10-20 years ago. ¶ "Every Wisconsin resident should have the opportunity in his own community to foster his educational and cultural development through the use of his public library. To accomplish this, public libraries must work together in library systems, and all library resources in the state must be integrated to the end that all types of libraries are fully utilized." ¶ We in the Rib Lake are fortunate as we are part of the Wisconsin Valley ¶ The Rib Lake Public Library will observe Library Week with class visitors from Clearview School on library days, and in order to accommodate all the grades, will extend library week into the following week. Library hours for these afternoons will be 2:30 -4:00 p.m. ¶ The library board and the librarian extend an invitation to the entire community and surrounding area to visit the public library during Library Week. Signed Mrs. Edwin Thums |
| 4/17/1969 (cont) | Library (cont) | |
| 4/17/1969 | People | RETURN FROM WINTER VACATION "The Ed Priens, Herman Batzers, and Lester Arnolds have returned from their winter stays in the south, and the Elmer Taylors have returned from California." |
| 4/24/1969 | Rib Lake Herald | DOWN THE ROAD By Gene Clifford "The snowmobile season is over, thank goodness, until next winter, but we did run across a poem, which is remindful of it, now that spring is here. ¶ It was written by 10-year-old Cheryl Mohr, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Mohr, Jr., and is titled: "MY FATHER'S SNOWMOBILE" ¶ Daddy's riding his yellow Ski-doo, that is something he likes to do. ¶ He rides on fields and over hills, and down in the valley he takes a few spills. ¶ He gets Mama mad and makes her holler, because of gas, he'll spend his last dollar. ¶ He goes |
| 4/24/1969 | Spirit | SPIRIT ROUND-UP - GERMAN SETTLEMENT "There are blue Mondays at Ye Olde Sugar House. Last Monday the pupils of Wilson School, Spirit, and their teachers visited there, and this Monday the 6th grade from Prentice Elementary School and their teacher were there. They like to sample the syrup, but seemed especially interested in all the old articles on display. ¶ Mr. and Mrs. Carl Rhody celebrated their 30th wedding anniversary on Tuesday. Mrs. Henry Rhody spent the day there. ¶ Mrs. Sadie Meier returned to her home here after spending the winter with her children and their families. ¶ Getting hungry for some of those lumberjack pancakes with real maple syrup? Coming right up at Spirit Town Hall this Saturday evening; sponsored by the American Legion. ¶ Mr. and Mrs. Joe |
| 4/24/1969 (cont) | Spirit (cont) | ¶ Mr. and Mrs. Paul Anderson, Cumberland, attended Zion Church on Sunday, being weekend guests of the Walter Rosenlofs'. ¶ Max Scheller helped some of the members of the Busy Beaver 4-H Club construct bird houses for their bluebird trial, Sunday afternoon. ¶ The youth group from Zion Lutheran Church enjoyed a roller skating party on Sunday evening. ¶ Albert Meier returned home from his vacation trip to the West Coast on Sunday. ¶ This |

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| 4/24/1969 | Hunting | CONSERVATION NOTES "56 conservation field men who were actively involved in forest and wildlife programs encountered 414 dead deer in northeastern Wisconsin during a 4-month predation study running from Dec. 1 to Mar. 31, reports Bob Wendt, Area Game Manager of the DNR. ¶ The objective of this record-keeping was to verify deer mortality in relative order of importance by determining the manner in which death came to observed deer. ¶ Deer-car collisions far outstripped all causes of death to whitetails, with 32% of the total. 36 of 133 car-killed deer died in the vicinity of artificial feeding stations. ¶ Malnutrition claimed 11%, while domestic dogs pulled down another 10% of the total. ¶ Evidence of poaching laws by observed gut piles or drag trails accounted for 9% of the |
| 4/24/1969 (cont) | Hunting (cont) | ¶ By careful examination of the lungs and respiratory tract, it was determined that death from being driven to exhaustion by snowmobiles and cars claimed a minimum of 2% of the deer. ¶ Bobcat-killed deer could almost be considered rare. Not because the bobcat is incapable of killing deer, but rather because the bobcat is found so infrequently on the landscape. Bobcat tracks are hard to find in the northeast area. ¶ About 1% of the dead deer observed were reported killed by bobcats." |
| 4/24/1969 | Clubs/Orders | NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING - LAKEVIEW CEMETERY ASSOCIATION "Notice is hereby given that the annual meeting of the Lakeview Cemetery Association will be held in the Village Hall in the Village of Rib Lake on Wednesday evening, May 7, 1969, starting at 7:30 o'clock, for electing officers and transacting any other business which may come before the meeting. Signed Verl A. Bokath, secretary." |
| 4/24/1969 | Agriculture | CHRISTENSEN'S AUCTION! "Having decided to discontinue farming, I will offer for sale at public auction the following farm property at my farm located from Rib Lake: 2 miles east of 102, and 1-3/4 miles east on Township Road. Tuesday, April 29, sale starts promptly at 1:00 p.m. 17 head of choice holstein dairy cattle. 11 holstein milk cows, of which 2 are recently fresh and open, 1 is fresh with calf at side, 4 are springers, and the balance are bred back for fall and winter freshening. ¶ 1 bred holstein heifer, 2 years old, and bred for fall freshening. 2 holstein heifers, 2 year old and open. ¶ 2 holstein heifers, 6 and 8 weeks old. ¶ MACHINERY: Allis Chalmers CA tractor, Allis Chalmers 6-foot mower, Allis Chalmers 2BTM plow, Farm-all H tractor, McCormick combine with motor, McCormick tandem disc, John Deere 6 foot grain drill, McCormick side filler, McCormick 40 foot elevator with |
| 4/24/1969 (cont) | Agriculture (cont) | ¶ MILK EQUIPMENT: Surge milker pump with pipeline and 2 seamless units. ¶ MELVIN GNOTKE, Owner. Usual Christensen Sales Corporation auction terms. Barney Roytek, Curtiss, Wis, auctioneer. Christensen Sales Corporation, Abbotsford, Wis., clerks." |

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| 5/1/1969 | Businesses | HARDWARE STORE SOLD BY SABOS "Sale of the Rib Lake Coast-to-Coast store to Tom Carroll, South Holland, Illinois, was announced this week by Mr. and Mrs. John Sabo, who have operated the establishment for the past 3-1/2 years. ¶ The sale involves only the stock, fixtures and business, and does not include the 2-story building, which houses the business at 818 McComb Ave. ¶ The Sabos have no immediate plans for the future, and will be here for some time, helping the new owner to get acclimated to the business. ¶ Carroll is married and has 6 children. His wife, a school teacher, and family, will join him here about the middle of June. ¶ He has a bachelor's degree in forestry from Michigan State College, and spent 6 years in the service. He has been active in work with younger youth, in teaching, coaching and supervising hockey, in the Chicago suburb." |
| 5/1/1969 (cont) | Businesses (cont) | |
| 5/1/1969 | Spirit & Clubs/Orders | SPIRIT LEGION NOTES "Members of Post 452 thank all the folks of Spirit and the surrounding communities who helped make the annual pancake supper a success. Over 250 persons were served, and thanks to the large griddle from the First Lutheran Church in Prentice, most people didn't have to wait very long to be served. ¶ The men were in charge but were assisted by their daughters as waitresses, including LuAnn and Nancy Hoffman, Kathy and Kristie Tripp, Diane Plude, Melody Blomberg, Karen Lindwall, Marlene Schilling, Amy Swenson, Diane Lind, and Debbie Kring. The mothers also helped in the dish pans and as baby sitters. ¶ Local producers who donated maple syrup were Ray Norlin, Roy Meier, Walter Rosenlof, and George Swanson. ¶ Regular legion meeting will be on Thursday evening, May 8. The county council meets in Ogema on Tuesday evening, May 13. Signed Ronald Meier, Adjutant." |
| 5/1/1969 | War - Soldiers | FIVE ENTER ARMED SERVICE "Russell D. Blennert, 20, son of Mr. and Mrs. Nick Blennert, Route 1, Rib Lake, was one of five Taylor County youths who entered the service in the month of April. Blennert was a volunteer and was sent to Fort Lewis, Washington." |

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| 5/1/1969 | Law | IMPLIED CONSENT AND WHAT IT MEANS TO YOU "The Taylor County Tavern League strongly opposes Implied Consent, and wishes to advise the general public as to what it could mean to them as individuals. Here is what each and every one of you should know about Implied Consent. ¶ Under Implied Consent, any law enforcement officer has a right to stop any driver anywhere and demand the driver take a test for drunken driving. If the driver refuses, the law would provide that the driver's license is automatically suspended or revoked for a period of one year. All this without an arrest or hearing, and without an opportunity to review or have an appeal. This is certainly unfair to us as American citizens. ¶ Our state is known as a tourist state. In fact, it is the second or third largest industry in the state. People are spending a great deal of money to encourage people to come into our state. Will these people want to come into our state if they will be subject to the pitfalls of the Implied Consent law? Think about this, you business people that depend on the tourist trade. |
| 5/1/1969 (cont) | Law (cont) | ¶ The State of Michigan has the Implied Consent law and this law has not lowered fatal accidents. In fact, accidents have increased. We know Implied Consent is not the solution to drunken driving. ¶ Now you know the truth about Implied Consent. Let's not let our legislature saddle us with a law like this. Whether the Implied Consent bill passes in the 1969 legislature is up to you. ¶ Ask your friends, neighbors, customers to voice their objections to their assemblyman and their senator. ¶ Wisconsin is a great tourist state, let's keep it that way. Signed Virginia Gehrt, Secretary, Taylor County Tavern League." |

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| 5/1/1969 (cont) | Law (cont) | |
| 5/1/1969 | Schools | LET'S SING "Hundreds of school children from several surrounding towns will be singing along with their "Let's Sing" radio program leaders at Rib Lake High School in Rib Lake next Wednesday, May 7, at 1:30 p.m. ¶ Norman R. Clayton and Donald Voegeli, conductor and accompanist for the weekly Wisconsin Radio School of the Air series, will be on a 5-day swing through Wisconsin, visiting 10 cities and towns to meet their radio friends and lead a song they have taught during the year. ¶ The 10 host cities for festivals are Rib Lake, Mayville, Campbellsport, Wautoma, Montello, Marshfield, West Salem, Tomah, Reedsburg, and Gay's Mill. ¶ The festivals have been an |
| 5/1/1969 (cont) | Schools (cont) | ¶ In addition to the songs, the program teachers note reading and seek to adopt an understanding and appreciation of good music. Almost 45,000 Wisconsin upper elementary school children are enrolled in "Let's Sing" this year. ¶ Pupils who have been invited to attend the festival here are from Medford, Thorp, Prentice, Tomahawk, Tripoli, Hannibal Lublin, Owen, Kennan, Dorchester, Merrill, Gilman, Jump River, Athens and Withee " |
| 5/8/1969 | Clubs/Orders | WORK-BEE AT PARK IS TODAY "Members of the Rib Lake Commercial and Civic Club will sponsor a work-bee at Lakeview Park this evening, May 8, starting at 6:30 o'clock. ¶ The event was scheduled at the regular monthly dinner meeting in the Little Bohemia Restaurant on Tuesday evening. ¶ Everyone is welcome, it was reported, including the ladies who might be handy with a rake. ¶ Lunch and refreshments will be served after the work is done. ¶ The idea of the event is to get the park ready for an influx of spring and summer visitors, including a large group from Marshfield, which is expected to camp in the park soon. ¶ Ample firewood is on hand, the Fish & Game Assoc. having transferred several truckloads from the new wayside site on 102 northeast of the village. ¶ |
| 5/8/1969 | Clubs/Orders | WESTBORO HOMEMAKERS "State Trooper Roger Hlvacka will speak to members of the Westboro Homemakers Club on "defensive driving" at the next regular meeting to be held Wednesday, May 14, at 8:00 p.m. in the Westboro School cafeteria room. The meeting is open to the public. Refreshments will be served at the |
| 5/8/1969 | Schools | RIB LAKE HIGH SCHOOL NEWS By Monty Hengst and Ron Blomberg "The spring season has come and with it we see a very busy schedule for the remaining month of school. ¶ The month of April was marked off the school calendar on a happy note last Wednesday as the Redmen defeated the Tripoli Tornados in a baseball game here by the score of 10-4...¶ Preparations have begun for the publication of next year's annual. Mr. Knoff, representative of the publishing company, met with the staff Monday afternoon as they decided on cover texture and pattern " |

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| 5/15/1969 | Clubs/Orders | HILBERT HEADS LIONS "Kenneth Hilbert, manager of Little Bohemia, was elected president of the Rib Lake Lions Club at a meeting Tuesday evening of last week in the dining room at the Golden Age Nursing Home. ¶ Hilbert will assume office in July and succeeds George Buksa. ¶ Other officers named were Lester Magnuson, first vice president; John Eckhoff, second vice president; David Attwood, third vice president; Wayne Schabel, secretary; Alphonse F. Mitchell, Sr., treasurer; Gene Clifford, tail twister; Emery Peterson, lion tamer; and Arthur Hilgart, Buksa, and Leroy Stewart, directors. John Sabo and Richard Upjohn are holdover directors..." |
| 5/22/1969 | Obituary | FRANK FILAS, 64, FARMER, STRICKEN, FUNERAL SATURDAY "Funeral services will be held at 10:00 a.m. Saturday in St. John the Baptist Catholic Church for Frank P. Filas, 64, who died Tuesday at his farm home northeast of the village after a long illness. ¶ The Rev. Werner Hemmelgarn, C.pp.s. (sic), will officiate, and burial will be in Lakeview Cemetery. ¶ Mr. Filas was born in Uniontown, Pennsylvania, March 20, 1905, and was married to Vera Klipcinski on April 19, 1931, at Holy Hill, Wisconsin. The family had occupied their farm home on Route 1 for many years. ¶ Surviving are the widow, a daughter, Katherine, Mrs. Dale Hoffman, Merrill; 3 sons, Joseph, Route 1, Westboro; Frank, Medford; and James at home; 10 grandchildren, 2 brothers, Andrew Filas, Minneapolis; and Joseph Filas, Poland; and a sister, Mrs. Mary Rutovich, Minneapolis." |
| 5/22/1969 | Obituary | LOUIS DAUS, 68, DIES IN HOSPITAL; BURIAL IS FRIDAY "Funeral services for Louis P. Daus, 68, a former Rib Lake resident, will be held at 11:00 a.m. Friday in St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, with the Rev. Werner Hemmelgarn, C.pp.s., officiating. Burial will be in the Lakeview Cemetery. ¶ Mr. Daus died on Tuesday at St. Francis Hospital in Milwaukee, where he had been a patient for several weeks. ¶ Mr. Daus was born in Germany May 4, 1901, and came to the United States with his parents at the age of 6 months. They settled in Rib Lake in 1902. He moved to Park Falls in 1917. working there for a creamerv. and returned to Rib Lake in 1927. He operated |

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| 5/22/1969 (cont) | Obituary (cont) | ¶ He was married to Gertrude Caroline Larsen at Park Falls Nov. 15, 1922. He was a member of St. Gerard Catholic Church in Milwaukee, the Loyal Order of Moose, the Fraternal Order of Eagles, and had been active in sportsman organizations here and in Milwaukee. ¶ Surviving are two daughters, Kathrin, Mrs. Vernon Bruegl, Rib Lake; and Alice, Mrs. Richard Mueller, Rhinelander; 2 sons, Robert Daus and Louis Daus, Jr., Milwaukee; 5 grandchildren and a brother, George Dewcz (sic), Medford." |
| 5/22/1969 5/22/1969 (cont) | Schools Schools (cont) | 54 IN RIB LAKE HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR CLASS "Fifty-four students who will be completing their high school careers will be graduated at the annual commencement exercise in the Rib Lake school gymnasium Wednesday, May 28, at 8:00 p.m....Robert C. Becker, the school administrator, will present the class and Clement Peterson, member of the school board, will present diplomas. The Rev. Mr. John Meyer will give the benediction, and the band will present "March Regal" as a recessional. ¶ The graduates are: Everett A. Anderson, Lynn M. Bieniek, John J. Bohte, Joseph E. Bonde, Harvey C. Brzezinski, Richard E. Budimlija, Lynette R. Buksa, Marie A. Caretta, Michael L. Coleman, Daniel J. Czerniak, Marilyn L. Dassow, Gary M. Donaldson, Warren D. Dums, Linda D. Eggert, Peter B. Fuchs, Thomas C. Granno, James F. Harder, Donald W. Hoefflerle, Kenneth A. Holzl, Joseph W. Randy R. Powers, Jean O. Raatz, James S. Rosenfeldt, Susan K. Sackman, Elward P. Schlosser, Jeffrey N. Thums, Theodore A. Thums, Victoria E. Thums, Dorothy J. Turba, Joyce E. Vanderhoof, Bernadette A. Van Hecker, Lanah M. Vlach, Candace A. Wegerer, Dwight A. Wegerer, Marlene J. Wilhelms, Thomas A. Wolter, James J. Yanko, Susan K. Ziembo." |
| 5/29/1969 | Entertainment & Interwald | DOWN THE ROAD By Gene Clifford "The Rib Lake-Interwald Dairyland League baseball game last Sunday was a pleasurable experience. Dishing up refreshments to the folks involved, was part of it and cogitating on the mixture of families and personalities, was more. ¶ A lot of the kids had played together, in high school, previously, and the razzing may not always have been in good taste, but it was comical. ¶ Get together the Scheithauers, Judnics, Steinmans, and Roigers, plus Zondlos, Gebauers, Schreiners, Fuchses, Yankos, not to mention a few other well-known names, and you are bound to have a ball, as well as a ballgame. ¶ The hero of it all, of course, was "Silent Ray" Schreiner, the umpire, who appeared in a beautiful blue suit, and swished home plate delicately with his swish broom. ¶ A couple of the rhubarbs were better than we have in our backyard. And some of the grandstand comments, from such experts like Dippy-Dog and Walt, the experts, were among the worst we have ever heard. And we will admit that we've heard a lot." |

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| 5/29/1969 | Obituary | MRS. JOHN STELLING IS STRICKEN AT 87 "Funeral services were held Tuesday at 2:00 p.m. at St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church for Mrs. John Stelling, 87, who died Saturday at the Golden Age Nursing Home. ¶ The Rev. John Meyer officiated, and burial was in Lakeview Cemetery. ¶ Pallbearers were Martin Schinker, John Steen, Oscar Olson, Elmer Gilge, Ernest Tetzlaff, and Victor Kohn. ¶ The former Alvina Marie Kalk was born in Beswitz, Germany, on May 27, 1881, and came to the United States with her parents when a child. She was married to John Stelling on Nov. 7, 1901, at Rib Lake. She would have been 88 years old on the day she was buried. ¶ Mr. Stelling died several years ago. She was a member of the Lutheran Church and the Lutheran Ladies Society. ¶ Surviving are a daughter, Esther, Mrs. Joe Frombach, Route 1; 3 sons, Erwin, Rib Lake; Herbert, Tomahawk; and Harvey, Valdez, Alaska; 7 grandchildren, 9 great-granchildren, and two brothers, Charles Kalk, Route 1; and Fred Kalk, Rib Lake. Three sisters preceded her in death." |
| 6/5/1969 | Schools | 8 TEACHERS IN SCHOOL DISTRICT WON'T BE BACK "8 teachers of Joint School District 1, Rib Lake, will not be returning for the 1969-70 school year. Some left the teaching field, others have taken positions in other schools, and others have made no definite plans as yet. Those teachers who taught in the district this year and are not returning are June Freiberg, high school commercial; Jack Wolter, high school science; Cy Buker, high school physical education and coaching; Frank Werner, high school industrial arts; Leo Leahy, junior high physcial education; Roger Nyberg, junior high math; Elva Niemi, kindergarten; and Mary Miller, grades 1 and 2. ¶ Mr. Wolter has been replaced by Glen Smeaton, a graduate of Stevens Point University. Mr. Werner has been replaced by Gerald Killinger, presently teaching at Omro; Mr. Nyberg has been replaced by Richard Blomberg, now |
| 6/5/1969 | Businesses & Agriculture | COOPER CHEESE AT WESTBORO NEEDS YOUR MILK "Cans or bulk. Our can intake will remain open. No contracts to sign. Hauling rate: cans, .17/cwt - bulk, .10/cwt. Call Westboro 427-3437 or Bob Gums for pickup. Your milk stays in the area. Ship to us and be treated right." |
| 6/12/1969 | Utilities & Businesses | PRICE ELECTRIC CO-OP MEETS "Members attending the 19th annual meeting of the Price Electric Cooperative at Phillips on June 2 were challenged to "look ahead and plan ahead and prepare for dramatic changes" by guest speaker, W.V. Thomas of Madison. ¶ Thomas is general manager of the Wisconsin Electric Cooperative, Regional Supply and State Service Association for Electric Cooperatives in Wisconsin. ¶ "Be mindful of what cooperation has achieved in the past, and apply this dedication to the mutual effort for meeting that challenges ahead," said Thomas. ¶ In his report to the membership, Co-op President Mike Stanke, Route 3, Phillips, said: "The past 29 years of service have enabled your cooperative to grow from a dream in the minds of a few to a successful local enterprise rendering an important service to its 4,300 members, and to the communities in which they live." ¶ Stanke said it was difficult to visualize what rural communities would be like today without electric service and "likewise it is difficult to visualize the 29 years ahead." |

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| 6/26/1969 | Rib Lake Herald | POSSIBLY ABOUT YOU! "Mr. and Mrs. George Thusty were in Cambridge, Massachusettes, on June 12, when their son, Wayne, received a Masters Degree in Landscape Architecture at Harvard University. A Rib Lake High School graduate, Wayne received a Bachelor of Science degree at Michigan State, East Lansing, Michigan, in 1965. Mr. and Mrs. Thusty stopped at Cleveland, Ohio, to visit their daughter, Lois, en route home. " |
| 6/26/1969 | Obituary | JOHN J. EISNER STRICKEN AT 70 "Funeral services were to be held today (Thursday) at 10:30 a.m. at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church for John Joseph Eisner, 70, who died at his home in the village early Tuesday morning. ¶ The pallbearers: Theodore, Ronald and Patrick Eisner, Donald and James Hoefflerle, and Larry Rusnak. ¶ Mr. Eisner was born at Stratford May 18, 1899. He was married to Mary Belle Dennee at Rozeville Feb. 3, 1925. ¶ They lived at Stratford and in 1929 moved to Park Falls. They moved to rural Rib Lake in 1949, and moved to the village in February, 1968. ¶ Surviving are the wife and 10 children, Marion, Mrs. Frank Yanko, Rib Lake; Helen, Mrs. Paul Ochodnicky, Westboro; Roberta, Mrs. Donald Engel, Rib Lake; Lloyd, Route 1; John, Jr., Fort Atkinson; Edward, Carpentersville, Illinois; David, Algonquin, Illinois; Robert, William and Charles, all of Rib Lake.." |
| 7/3/1969 | Politics | TAYLOR COUNTY GIVEN "FAIR" EYESORE RATING "What is an eyesore index? ¶ It is a relative rating of appearance, based on a number of dumping grounds, auto graveyards, and dilapidated buildings located in the county. ¶ Statistically, Taylor County has an index rating of 98. Of the 56 counties supplying information sufficient to compute an index, 17 were rated worse than Taylor County, while 38 received higher ratings. The indexes run from the very poor 899 for Florence County to an excellent 3 given to Walworth County. ¶ Indexes were computed by the Wisconsin Natural Beauty Council in cooperation with the Department of Natural Resources. In addition to dumps, auto graveyards and unsightly buildings, the council utilized miles of roadways and population as additional factors in conducting the survey. ¶ "A county's eyesore index is not an absolute figure, but it is a good indicator of |
| 7/3/1969 (cont) | Politics (cont) | ¶ The council hopes that governmental units and civic organizations view the index information to established blighted areas, and to establish goals and time tables for improvement. Free single copies of the index report are available from the Wisconsin Natural Beauty Council, Box 425, Madison, 53701." |
| 7/10/1969 | Agriculture & People | DOWN THE ROAD "One "farmer" who is satisfied with his haying, by rough figurin', is George Zondlo [Sr.], who reports that his crop is well nigh harvested. The reason? ¶ All of his sons were home to help. We've lost track of the number of sons the Zondlos have, but we remember many years ago that the latest arrival gave them enough for a baseball team. ¶ That IS making hay." |

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| 7/10/1969 | Obituary | JOSEPH JUDNIC RITES SET TODAY AT RIB LAKE "Funeral services will be conducted at 10:00 a.m. today (Thursday) at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, Rib Lake, for Joseph Judnic, 80-year-old Town of Greenwood resident who died Monday at the Golden Age Nursing Home. ¶ Mr. Judnic was born Oct. 13, 1888, at Semac, Yugoslavia, and came to the United States in 1908, settling at Calumet, Michigan. Later he moved to Park City, Utah, remaining there until 1916, when he came to Taylor County and operated a dairy farm in the Town of Greenwood. ¶ His marriage to Mary Mauser took place Feb. 10, 1912, at Park City, Utah. ¶ Surviving, along with Mrs. Judnic, are four daughters, Mary, Mrs. Anton Nezval, Rib Lake, Route 1; Angeline, Mrs. Clarence Strebig, and Betty, Mrs. Joseph Imbach, both of Medford; and Rose, Mrs. Rudolph Schilling, Mount Prospect, Illinois; five sons, Joseph, Jr., Clarence, Lester and Harvey, all of Rib Lake; and Carl, Medford, Route 1; 37 grandchildren and 19 great-grandchildren." |
| 7/10/1969 | Schools | SCHOOL BOARD PROCEEDINGS "The School Board entered into a long discussion on the closing of Rib River School for the fall term due to lack of student population, and agreed that the unit should be closed. The school administrator was to bring a plan of operation, which would show where the students could be housed next fall, to the next board meeting. The students now attending Rib River would need to be re-housed at other units, and it might entail moving some students now housed in other units than Rib River to make some sort of move. Final |
| 7/24/1969 | Obituary | FUNERAL HELD SATURDAY FOR MRS. ROSENFELDT "Funeral services were conducted Saturday afternoon at the Rib Lake United Methodist Church for Mrs. Henry Rosenfeldt, 76-year-old Rib Lake resident who died Wednesday, July 16, at Memorial Hospital in Medford. Rev. Henry Bahrenburg, Jr. officiated, and burial took place in the Lakeview Cemetery, Rib Lake. ¶ The former Emma Olson was born Aug. 15, 1892, in the Town of Spirit, Price County. She received her education in the Spirit and Rib Lake Schools. Her first marriage was to Chester Winslow, who preceded her in death. In August of 1946, she married Henry Rosenfeldt, who survives. After her first marriage, she resided at Ashland, and has lived in the Rib Lake area since her second marriage. ¶ Mrs. Rosenfeldt was employed about 1918 as a telegrapher by the Soo Line Railroad, and had worked for various offices in Wisconsin. ¶ Survivors include her husband, one step-son, Edward Rosenfeldt, Clintonville, and one sister, Mrs. Hilda Connors, Antigo." |
| 7/31/1969 | Education | SCHOOL TO START SEPT. 8 AT BRANCH CAMPUS "Medford branch campus of Wisconsin State University-Stevens Point will start classes for the first time on Sept. 8. ¶ Branch campus students have been informed that about one-half day will be required to complete registration. According to Robert Larson, Director of Student Affairs, students attending the orientation will have ample opportunity to obtain answers to questions regarding financial aid, housing, and class schedules. ¶ Enrollment, which now stands at some 120 students, could reach an even higher figure by the time classes start, as officials are still accepting applications for admission..." |

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| 7/31/1969 | Schools | ANNUAL SCHOOL MEETING HELD MONDAY NIGHT; MRS. MELASKI NEW CLERK "Wilbert Blomberg, Hill, was re-elected chairman of the Board of Education of Joint School District 1 at the board meeting following the annual meeting Monday night at the high school. ¶ Vernon Hanke, Rib Lake, was re-elected treasurer, and a newcomer to the board, Mrs. Violet Melaski, was elected clerk. ¶ In the election, Clement Peterson, Westboro, was re-elected, and Mrs. Melaski replaced George Thums, incumbent clerk, who declined to be a candidate for re- |
| 7/31/1969 | Rib Lake Herald | A PERSONAL NOTE AND HEARTY THANK YOU By Gene Clifford "The area in which "things are rough all over" has included the Rib Lake Herald for the past 4 weeks. Sudden illness of Floyd Nehls, who we like to describe as our "mechanical superintendent" but who really is our right bower, our printer, our jack-of-all-trades, (in other words, he does the work) left us in a situation, in which we had to call in friends for help. ¶ We got the help - from the DePere Journal, which did some of our print jobs, which couldn't be handled here, and from the Medford Star News and its staff. ¶ The Medford Linotypers, Artie Huther and Mrs. Don Patterson, have set several galleys of type for us each week - in addition, we have snitched many columns of that newspaper's type and |
| 7/31/1969 (cont) | Rib Lake Herald (cont) | ¶ Friends in need are friends indeed, and we are sincerely grateful. ¶ We've been trying to hold Rib Lake's leading newspaper since 1897, together, and sometimes it ain't easy. Physically, the situation is probably harder on those good friends than it is on us. ¶ So if your Herald arrives a little late, please be patient and understanding." |
| 7/31/1969 | Businesses | LITTLE BOHEMIA LANES ALL "GO" [Interior photo of Little Bohemia showing bowlers and 4 bowling lanes.] "Here is a backside to you of the new Little Bohemia alley's automatic pin-setting equipment, as it went into use last Sunday night. We don't recognize the bowlers or the spectators, but are sure they were all enjoying it." |
| 8/7/1969 | Obituary | rites held at Rib Lake for Mrs. Gustafson "Funeral services for Mrs. Ralph Gustafson, 53, Rib Lake resident, who died Thursday at Marshfield Convalescent Center, were held Saturday afternoon at Rib Lake. The Rev. John Meyer officiated at services at St. John's Lutheran Church, and burial took place in Lakeview Cemetery. ¶ Gladys Schauss Gustafson was born Feb. 11, 1916, at Dorchester, and came to Rib Lake with her parents in 1919, where they operated the Spirit Lake Tavern. She moved in 1932 to Chicago, and lived there until 1962, when she returned to this area. ¶ She was married to Otto Jusenius in 1938, and her second marriage to Ralph Gustafson took place in 1954. ¶ Survivors include 3 children, Joyce, Mrs. William Krueger, Rib Lake; Donna Gustafson of Rib Lake; and Charles Jusenius of Oakland, California; a sister, Mrs. Albert Marschke, Rib Lake..." |
| 8/7/1969 | Businesses & Westboro | DON'S GROCERY OF WESTBORO OPENING "A grand opening will be held at Don's "Home of" Surfine Grocery, Westboro, beginning today, Thursday, and continuing through Saturday. The public is invited to register for grand opening prizes, and specials will be featured. ¶ Friday and Saturday there will be free coffee, donuts, and treats for children. ¶ The owners and operators are Mr. and Mrs. Don Radtke, who began business May 15 in the former IGA store building. Offered are groceries, produce and custom-cut meats." |

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| 8/14/1969 | Greenwood & Obituary | FUNERAL HELD TUESDAY FOR JOHN THUMS, SR. "Funeral services were conducted Tuesday afternoon at St. Ann's Catholic Church, Town of Greenwood, for John Thums, Sr., 75, a life-long area resident, who died Friday at his home in the Town of Greenwood. Rev. Thomas Conway, Westboro, officiated, and burial took place in the parish cemetery. ¶ Mr. Thums was born June 24, 1894, in the Town of Greenwood. His marriage to Theresa Haider took place April 22, 1922, at St. Ann's Catholic Church, Town of Greenwood. Mr. Thums had been employed as a |
| 8/14/1969 (cont) | Greenwood & Obituary (cont) | ¶ Surviving along with his wife are three daughters, Agnes, Mrs. Stanley Kosek of Westboro; Theresa, Mrs. Charles Bube; and Miss Mary Thums of rural Rib Lake; 8 sons; Louis, John, Jr., Max and Norman, of Rib Lake; Oliver and Ferdinand of Isabella, Minnesota; Harold of Cable; and Frank of Medford; 21 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. Other survivors include two brothers, Leonard and William, and two sisters, Miss Elizabeth Thums, |
| 8/14/1969 | Obituary | WALTER ANNALA, WESTBORO, DIES, RITES SET FRIDAY "Funeral services will be held at 2:00 p.m. tomorrow at Trinity Lutheran Church, Prentice, for Walter C. Annala, 58-year-old Town of Rib Lake resident, who died at his home. The Rev. John Grande will officiate, and burial will take place in the Leavitt Cemetery, Town of Hill, Price County. ¶ Mr. Annala was born Oct. 27, 1910, in Price County, and spent his entire life in the area. His marriage to Miriam Manninen took place Nov. 3, 1934, at Clifford. Mr. Annala had farmed the past 30 years in the Town of Rib Lake. He was a member of Trinity Lutheran Church at Prentice. Surviving, along with his wife, are 5 daughters, Mrs. Kenneth Bedgood, Bensenville, Illinois; Mrs. George Schlage, Elmhurst, Illinois; Mrs. Edward Ebert, Rozel, Illinois; Mrs. Tom Chyloo, McHenry, Illinois; and Darlene, at home; 2 sons, Walter, Jr., Woodsville, Illinois; and John, Westboro; one sister, Mrs. John Burg, Ogema; and two brothers, Wayne, Chicago; and Toivo, Rib Lake." |
| 828/1969 | Obituary & Spirit | LEONARD BRIETZKE DIES "Funeral services were held in St. Paul's Lutheran Church at Irma on Aug. 15, for Leonard L. Brietzke, 18, son of Mr. and Mrs. Chester Brietzke, Route 1, Irma, who died August 12 at St. Michael's Hospital in Stevens Point. He had been ill since May, 1968. ¶ The Rev. Robert Degner officiated, and burial was in Wood Lawn Cemetery. ¶ Surviving are the parents, the paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Gust Brietzke, Brantwood, his maternal grandfather, James Roberts; 5 sisters, Linda, Jo Lynn, Anita, Bernadette and Rozella; and 5 brothers, John, Chester, Jr., Raymond, William and Victor." |
| 8/28/1969 | Law | RETAILERS TOLD TO COLLECT NEW 4% SALES TAX "All retailers should collect a 4% sales tax on taxable items beginning Sept. 1, if the budget-LaRue bill is signed by the governor, according to James R. Morgan, secretary of the Wisconsin Dept. of Revenue. He pointed out that the Wisconsin Sales and Use Tax law may be completely changed. Under the present selective sales tax law, only the sales of limited kinds of property were taxable at 3%. The new proposal, effective Sept. 1, provides for a 4% general sales tax on all "tangible personal property" sold at retail, unless specifically exempt. For example, the sales tax will apply to purchases of clothing, |

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| 8/28/1969 | Education | TEACHERS COLLEGE GRADS ARE PLACED "Arthur A. Prochnow, acting president of Taylor County Teachers College, has released the names and teaching placements of the graduating class last spring. In making the announcement, Prochnow stated that four students went on to continue their education for a degree, 7 are newly-married, one has taken other employment, and three have not signed contracts. ¶ Following is a list of 44 graduates who have signed teaching contracts: Jane Anderson, Rib Lake Public Schools; Amy Burnett-Smith and Anthony Marohl, Stratford Parochial Schools; Thomas Christman, Tony Public Schools; Rosalie Diamond and Judith Shewczyk, Gilman Public Schools; Joe Foytek, Prentice Public Schools; Marell Gadwill, Bruce Public Schools; Marcella Grube, Cheryl Olson and Jackie Kaiser, Marathon City Parochial Schools; Marilyn Jackson, Linda Landswach, and Paul Brehm, Tomahawk Public Schools; Kathleen Semanko and William Semanko, Blenker Public Schools...." |
| 9/11/1969 | Environment & Highways | PROGRESS AT 102 WAYSIDE "Good progress on the wayside being established on STH 102 at the so-called Blodow's Corners east of the village was reported at the monthly meeting of the Rib Lake Fish & Game Association. ¶ The project is being sponsored jointly by the Association and the Town of Rib Lake, with the cooperation of the county board's recreation committee. Much of the work thus far has been done by a crew of "Green Thumb" workers under the supervision of Frank Knoll, Medford, Foreman. ¶ Culverts have been installed for the driveway, both at the "in" and "out" points, and the driveway has been smoothed and set. ¶ Tree stumps and knolls in the central area were eliminated by bulldozing. Fourteen loads of fill were dumped, and spread by hand by |
| 9/11/1969 (cont) | Environment & Highways (cont) | ¶ Fabricated toilets have been ordered and are expected to be installed before the winter season sets in, a well will be drilled next spring. The leveled areas have been seeded. ¶ Al Lietzke, county resource agent, has been the principal planning and supervising official for the county. Ed Martin is the Fish & Game official on the project. ¶ The Green Thumb assisted this week in leveling, seeding and loading wood, cut a year ago, to brush out the area. It was hauled to Lakeview Park in the village truck." |
| 9/11/1969 | People | MR. AND MRS. WESSLY STIEL, SR., NOTE GOLDEN EVENT SATURDAY "Mr. and Mrs. Wessly Stiel, Sr., of Rib Lake, who were married 50 years ago Wednesday, entertained approximately 50 guests Saturday evening at a reception at the VFW Clubhouse, Medford In observance of the occasion, music was furnished by Bernie Kane and Dean Strobach of Rib Lake. ¶ The Stiels have 7 children, Mrs. John Seber, Mrs. Harvey Kimpel, and Gene Stiel of Fond du Lac; Sylvester Stiel of Wausau; Mrs. James Roach, of Milwaukee; Wessley Stiel, Jr., of Huntsville, Alabama; and Charles Stiel of Los Angeles, California; one son, Charles, was unable to attend the anniversary celebration. ¶ Mr. Stiel was born June 10, 1897, in Austria, and came to Taylor County in 1901; his wife, the |
| 9/11/1969 (cont) | People (cont) | ¶ After their marriage, the couple lived about 6 months at Westboro before moving to Rib Lake. Mr. Stiel was employed by the Rib Lake Tannery, the Rib Lake sawmill, and had operated the South-Side Garage there for 2 years. During the Depression, he was employed by the CCC Camps, and later returned to the sawmill. He was also employed at the Sturgeon Bay shipyards as a welder. ¶ Returning to Rib Lake, he worked from 1943 until 1955 as machanic and maintenance man, during which time he served as under sheriff for Sheriff Al Zastrow. " |

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| 9/11/1969 | Education | CLASSES START AT MEDFORD CAMPUS "A systematic student recruiting program, supplemented by cooperation with school administration, has seen enrollment of the new Medford branch campus of Wisconsin State University-Stevens Point go beyond the quota of 125....¶ In planning stages is a new science building and other facilities on the 92-acre campus formerly housing Taylor County Teachers College, TCTC, which did not accept freshmen students this year in the two-year teacher training college, open Monday in the Hartwig building on South Main Street. ¶ Following is the freshman roll at WSU branch campus as of Tuesday morning. ¶ Six students from Ogema include Eugene Carlson, Cheryl DeCarmo, Susan Lingen, Lorraine Oberle, Joyce Vanderhoof, and Marsha Westberg. ¶ Rib Lake students enrolled are Joseph Bonde, Richard Budimlija, Michael |
| 9/25/1969 | Harper Lake | SPECIAL TOWN MEETING "By order of the town board, a special town meeting will be held in the Town of Rib Lake in the Town Hall on the second day of October, 1969, at 8:00 p.m. for the purpose to discuss to vote on the question, shall the Town of Rib Lake purchase the Alin Carlson property for the use of parking for swimming beach and lake access. ¶ Everyone is urged to attend. Dated this 21st day of September, 1969. Signed Loren Zuegg |
| 10/2/1969 | Rib Lake Herald | ATHENS MAN NEW PUBLISHER OF THE HERALD "The 7th change in management of The Rib Lake Herald since it was founded Dec. 10, 1897, became effective on Wednesday, Oct. 1, when Dale Tromanhauser, formerly of Athens, became the new editor and publisher. ¶ Tromanhauser is an experienced printer and editor, having published the Athens Record for years. ¶ He recently has been employed by the Daily Gazette of Janesville. ¶ A widower, he has two children, Tamara, 12, and Madelyn, 9. They currently are living with Mr. and Mrs. Gumz, rural Dorchester. ¶ The retiring publisher, who will remain with The Herald, as news editor, is Gene Clifford, who, with his wife, the late Lillian P. Clifford, assumed ownership on April 1, 1949. ¶ The Cliffords bought the paper |
| 10/2/1969 (cont) | Rib Lake Herald (cont) | ¶ The Herald was established Dec. 10, 1897, by Frank B. Hand, assisted by John J. Voemastek. A few months later, Voemastek acquired an interest, and he became the sole owner in 1910. ¶ His son, Raymond, took over the publication in 1938, and disposed of his interest in 1940 to Mr. and Mrs. Lester Arnold. The Arnolds are now |
| 10/2/1969 | Rib Lake Herald | DOWN THE ROAD "This is going to be writing something which isn't exactly fun! ¶ For the first time in 20 years, we are no longer a businessman in this community - we are a news editor, reporter, a pensioner (one might say), bookkeeper, office boy, sweeper-outer - but still living and working. ¶ Twenty years in Rib Lake hasn't been all fun, but there have been the moments. There has been stark tragedy, and very, very rewarding incidents. There have been times when it hardly seemed worthwhile to keep it going, and then later, times when it appeared that we had the world licked. ¶ Of course, we never licked - not even Rib Lake. We made a living, and that, according to the nice folks we know, is about all that one can expect. ¶ And there have been nice folks here and some who weren't |

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| 10/2/1969 (cont) | Rib Lake Herald (cont) | ¶ We assume they know who they are. The pitiful part, of course, is that those who may have mistreated us did never realize it. And ignorance can always be excused, because if one doesn't know what one is doing, then one shouldn't be criticized for what they did. ¶ On the other hand, many could have been criticized, because they knew what they were doing. ¶ So maybe, we should get around to something else on this farewell message. ¶ In our 20 years, we have met some terrific people - people who were terrific and didn't even know it. ¶ And there were some happy and jolly days, when we were all younger. ¶ When we had the capacity for love, and we all loved each other. ¶ And later people started to get bitter, and they never knew what they were getting bitter about. ¶ Sometimes |
| 10/2/1969 (cont) | Rib Lake Herald (cont) | ¶ The \$64,000 question is never answered. ¶ But if we do take a little pride in what has happened in the last 20 years; 17 years ago there was no doctor or dentist, no clinic building. ¶ There was no Clearview School, no new high school, no new Highway 102 running around the village, no sanitation at Lakeview Park, no automatic alleys at the Little Bohemia. ¶ We didn't do anything but we hoped we helped. ¶ I don't know exactly what I'm trying to say - but HAIL AND FAREWELL! Signed Gene Clifford. |
| 10/9/1969 | Obituary | JULIUS GOLDER, 76, STRICKEN AT HOME "Funeral services were held Wednesday at 2:00 p.m. in St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church for Julius Golder, 76, a long-time Town of Rib Lake farmer. ¶ Mr. Golder was born in Germany on Oct. 22, 1892, and came to this country in 1913, settling on the homestead farm north and east of the village, which he occupied until his death. He was married to Albina Vacknitz at the Lutheran Church here in 1913. She died Oct. 17, 1959. ¶ Surviving are 16 children, including 9 daughters, Magdalen, Mrs. Alex Peterson, Rib Lake; Clara, Mrs. Wallace Ziembo, Florida; Elsie, Rib Lake; Anna, Elgin, Illinois; Erna, Mrs. Dodge Clark, Phoenix, Arizona; Martha, Mrs. Wallace Manley, Rockford, Illinois; Emma, Mrs. Jack Enter, Chicago; Emily, Mrs. Melvin Holcombe, Alaska; Shirley, Mrs. Ardin Wiitala, Westboro; 7 sons, Ernest, William and Harold, Rib Lake; |
| 10/9/1969 | Obituary | L.B. ANDERSON DIES "Services were held Tuesday at 2:00 p.m. at the Mannel Funeral Home for Leonard B. Anderson, 66, who died last Saturday at the Pleasant View Nursing Home at Prentice. ¶ Burial was in the Garden of Memories Cemetery in the Town of Hill. The Rev. Lowell Anderson of Ogema officiated. Mr. Anderson was born Aug. 21, 1903, in the Town of Hill, and had been employed in the woods and as a factory worker at Wheeling, Illinois. ¶ Surviving are three daughters, Adele, Mrs. Carl Granberg, Prentice; Elaine, Mrs. Norman Vanderhoof, Ogema; and Joanne, Mrs. Richard Gralicek, Prentice; a son, John Anderson, Wheeling, Illinois; a step-son, Edwin Kaskela, San Diego, California, 19 grandchildren, 2 great-grandchildren; two brothers, John Anderson, Prentice, |
| 10/9/1969 | Obituary | MRS. EDWARD PRIEN EXPIRES SUDDENLY "Funeral services were held Monday at 2:00 p.m. at the United Methodist Church in Rib Lake for Mrs. Edward Prien, 76, who died suddenly last Thursday evening of a heart attack. The Rev. Henry Bahrenburg, Medford, officiated at the service, and burial was in Lakeview Cemetery. The pallbearers included Ben Way, Herbert Magnuson, O.R. Thompson, Arthur Jepsen, Rudolph Mueller, and Gust Anderson. The body was in state at the Mannel Funeral Home from Sunday noon until Monday noon, and then at at the church prior to the service. Eastern Star services were held at the funeral home Sunday evening. ¶ The former Mabel Ebby was born Nov. 1, 1892, at Ishpeming, Michigan, and was married to Mr. Prien at Bayfield Oct. |

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| 10/9/1969 (cont) | obituary (cont) | She was an active member of the Women's Society for Christian Service at the Methodist Church, the Twentieth Century Club of Rib Lake, in which she had held many offices, the Medford Chapter #254 of the Order of the Eastern Star, the Royal Neighbors Lodge, and other civic and religious groups. ¶ Surviving are the husband, a daughter, Catherine, Mrs. Albert Carroll, Cherry Hill, North New Jersey; two grandchildren, Susan and Phillip Carroll, and a brother, Clark Bell, Long Beach, California." |
| 10/16/1969 | Law | TAYLOR COUNTY MAKING PROCESS "29 counties have fully complied in Wisconsin's shore land protection law, a report issued by the Dept. of Natural Resources says they are Barron, Chippewa, Clark, Dodge, Dunn, Eau Claire...." |
| 10/16/1969 | Schools | HIGH SCHOOL NEWS "On Wednesday, Oct. 8, the Rib Lake Redmen faced Prentice in their first football game, a scrimmage, held on their field. The Redmen gave a fine showing, even though they were defeated. ¶ Cheerleading tryouts were held recently, with 13 girls participating. The girls were judged on such things as poise, coordination, rhythm, timing, voice, appearance and pep. The season's varsity cheerleaders are Mary Schaack, Cecilia Dums, Joan Niggemann, Debbie Plude, and Terry Coleman. The junior varsity cheerleaders are Connie Fleischmann, Judy Becker, Mary Sackmann, Cherrie Decker, and Debbie Kroll...." |
| 10/16/1969 | Schools | SCHOOL BOARD PROCEEDINGS "Board meeting, Oct. 9, 1969. The meeting was called to order by President Blomberg at 8:00 p.m. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved...¶ The administrator brought up the problem of coal purchases, due to the discontinuance of our local source. The decision was made to attempt having a Medford supplier divide the loads between Westboro and Clearview, keeping in mind the possibility of converting to oil at Clearview in the near future...." |

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| 10/16/1969 | Hunting | 537 BLACK BEAR TAKEN IN NORTHERN EARLY SEASON "State hunters bagged 537 black bear in northern Wisconsin's 7th annual early bear season, according to John Berphahn, Woodruff office of the DNR. ¶ Ashland County leads the state with a harvest of 89 bears. Other top bear counties are Iron with 64, Bayfield with 51, and Forest with 44 trophy bears. ¶ Before Wisconsin bear hunters secured their first September hunt in 1963, bear numbers were controlled largely by deer hunters during the November gun season, and by law enforcement officers responding to bear and nuisance complaints by the public. In 1958, 234 bears were killed because their actions were seen as a threat to livestock, crops, home or communities. 1963 recorded 159 bear shot for damage and nuisance complaints. Neither shootings of den bear, nor controlled by authorized officials, allowed black bears a ¶ Before 1958, steel trapping was allowed. Traps were chained to a log tiggles, which made it easy to follow such bears. ¶ The last bear trapping was 1957. ¶ With the present early fall hunt, farmers, cottagers and northern communities with bear problems, have only to notify local hunters and the chase is on. Pressed by dogs, bruin frequently elude his pursuers and strikes out for more remote forests. The solution to the problem bear no longer needs to be that of simple execution. ¶ Nobody knows for certain, but it has been estimated that there are between 6,000-8,000 bears in the state. Normally, the adult female black bear gives birth to two cubs every second year. ¶ In |
| 10/16/1969 (cont) | Hunting (cont) | |
| 10/28/1969 | Agriculture | PURE MILK LOCALS TO ATTEND ANNUAL MEETING "Delegates from the Westboro-Rib Lake and Abbotsford locals of Pure Milk Products Cooperative will attend the organizations' 40th annual meeting Tuesday at Fond du Lac. More than 500 delegates, members and guests are expected. ¶ Delegates from the Westboro-Rib Lake local are Roy R. Meier and George R. Swanson, Ogema, Route 1, with Kenneth Hein of Rib Lake serving as alternate. ¶ Summaries of the year's activities in growth of the Co-op will be covered in separate reports by President Paul Affeldt, Sparta. ¶ Pure Milk Cooperative will honor its membership workers at its annual 6,000 Club get-together Monday evening in the Retlaw Motor Inn." |
| 10/30/1969 | Businesses & Greenwood | HI-WAY C STORE SOLD "Sale of Hi-Way C Grocery, effective Saturday, November 1, was announced this week by Mr. and Mrs. Joe Frombach. ¶ The new owners will be their son and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Frombach, who live in Stevens Point. ¶ The elder Frombachs, who have operated the store for the past 14 years, will go to Eagle River, where they will be care-takers of summer property owned by a Highland Park, Illinois, family. ¶ Joe has been active in community life, served as town clerk for the Town of Greenwood, president of the Lakewood Credit Union, and custodian of St. Peters Evangelical Lutheran Church, which is across the highway from the grocery. ¶ Members of the Lutheran congregation held a farewell party for the Frombachs at the church on Sunday night, and they and members of their team in the Ladies Bowling League enjoyed a banquet at Tomahawk on Saturday evening." |

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| 10/30/1969 | Schools | RIB LAKE HIGH SCHOOL SLATED AS NEW MARAWOOD MEMBER "A realignment of the Marawood Conference, with Rib Lake and Nekoosa High Schools to be added, and Granton to be dropped, has been announced by Roger Lowney, Stratford Superintendent of Schools, who is the conference president. ¶ The new schools will join the conference for the 1970-71 school year. ¶ Reasons for dropping Granton were given as small enrollment, non-participation in football and wrestling, lack of physcial facilities, and the impracticability of the divided 12-team conference in the event another school would be added..." |
| 10/30/1969 | Government | DOWN THE ROAD "Members of the "Green Thumb" crew, which has been working at the new wayside being established on Highway 102 at the Blodow curve east of the village, reported finding a head and other miscellaneous parts of a doe in a cardboard box near the site. ¶ Incidentally, the Green Thumb boys have been making a lot of progress on projects in this area. They have helped on the work of establishing a flowage on county-owned land east of the village. They have painted the interiors of the Greenwood School and the Rib Lake Town Hall, and accomplished much at the wayside too...The Green Thumb project is a government program sponsored state-wide by the Wisconsin Farmers Union. It is designed to add some income to the elderly, most of whom have a farm background, and at the same time accomplish improvements to community projects, such as recreational, educational or governmental properties." |
| 11/13/1969 | Obituary & Westboro | JOHN W. LUCIA, 68, WESTBORO FARMER, STRICKEN SUDDENLY "Funeral services were to be held at 1:30 p.m. today (Thursday) at United Methodist Church in Rib Lake for John W. Lucia, 68, a widely-known Westboro resident and farmer, who died suddenly at his home on Monday. ¶ The Rev. Henry Bahrenburg was to officiate, and burial will be in the Mount Olive Cemetery at Westboro. ¶ The body was in state at the Mannel Funeral Home in the afternoon on Wedesday, and Masonic Services were held there Wednesday evening. ¶ Mr. Lucia was born in the Town of Westboro, Oct. 13, 1901, and had lived there all of his life. He was married to Anna Pries at Medford Aug. 29, 1923. The family farm was north and east of the Westboro Settlement, on Route 1, Westboro. He was active in community and civic life. He was a member of the Methodist church at Westboro, Medford Lodge #217, |
| 11/20/1969 | Camp 8 & Forests, County | NEW DAM EAST OF VILLAGE COMPLETED "Taylor County has completed a project on county forest land to provide recreation and further improve the county's water table potential. Completed recently was an earthen dam on what was known as "Camp 8 Rib Lake slashings" on the county-owned tract. ¶ Located 6 1/2 miles east of Rib Lake, the site of the old logging camp still shows evidence of an old railroad, and helping to feed the 25-acre flowage on the tributary of Wood Creek is a spring used during the logging era there. ¶ The small lake, which will be flooded beginning with the 1970 spring runoff, will have a 22-foot head at the dam. The basin was brushed and cleared by the Taylor County Green Thumb crew, and 2 concentrated employment program employees..." |

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| 11/20/1969 | Rusch & Environment | LETTERS TO THE EDITOR "Editor of Rib Lake Herald: I would appreciate very much if you can find space in your paper for this important message. ¶ Attention all hunters of deer and partridge, trout fishermen and lovers of trees and wild flowers. The so-called valley improvement boys are back again. Just whose valley are they going to improve by drowning out approximately 3,200 acres of beautiful second growth timber, prime deer and partridge country, plus killing a beautiful trout stream. They speak of flood control, that's a lot of baloney. They only want to impound water. They tell you they will develop 25 miles of beautiful shore line. Just let them open the dam gates in the dry season and you will see for yourselves. ¶ Rumors have it that they are planning another dam on the upper |
| 11/20/1969 (cont) | Rusch & Environment (cont) | ¶ I understand that they control 21 dams at this time, which I think should be able to control the floods they speak of. A number of years back our conservation department was dead against this project. As they said at that time, it drowns out one of the biggest and best deer yards in our state. ¶ Today our natural resources men come out and say the deer out there can find other ranges. It makes me wonder if there are not some strings being pulled to change their views. What I think we need is more elder Leopolds on that board. If everyone would just take time to read the Sand County Almanac by Leopold, you would know what I mean. ¶ There are still plenty of northerns, muskies and others in Rib, Harper, Spirit, Stone and Hultman Lakes. Plus Rib Lake is not far from their proposed lake. I |
| 11/20/1969 (cont) | Rusch & Environment (cont) | Therefore, as a lover of woods and a member of the Rib Lake Sportsmans Club, I would urge this club to go on being opposed to this proposed dam. I would also urge any non-member, and everyone who is interested in our future younger generations, to write their representatives in congress, federal and state levels, to oppose this proposed dam. ¶ Again, I state, in my opinion, this is not a case of the valley boys worrying about water flooding out anyone's home. It is purely a case of impounding water for their own selfish use when they need it. Sincerely, Herman A. Rusch, 5947 N. 66th Street, Milwaukee, Wis. 53218. ¶ p.s. Normally I pay my dues when I come up for |
| 12/11/1969 | Hunting & Rusch | TED STROBACH WINS MINI BUCK CONTEST "The first day of deer season was a lucky day for Mr. Ted Strobach. Not only did he bag his buck, but, he also shot one of the smallest bucks in the area, and the smallest buck registered in the big/little buck contest. Ted was hunting with the family crew. The crew consisted of Lee, Dean and Dale Strobach, his brothers; Bernard Strobach, his father, and John Rauman, a brother-in-law from Wausau; and Sergeant David Poirier, a nephew. The Strobach party, overall, had a fairly good season. Three deer |
| 12/11/1969 (cont) | Hunting & Rusch (cont) | ¶ The winning deer was killed the first day of the season at 7:45 in Section 35 near Ogema. Both spike bucks were eligible for the contest, and both were very close in size, John had a wider set of nails. Ted's spike buck measured 3-5/8" between the tips of the spikes, John's was 4-3/4". These two were the smallest deer that entries were received on by Dec. 1 at noon. They were registered at the Ribs. The largest was killed by Louis Kurhals of Wheeling, Illinois. It measured 7-1/4" and was registered at Mohr's Maple Knoll. ¶ Ted will be awarded \$25 from The Herald office. The money was donated by many other sponsors of the Deer Season Special." |

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| 12/18/1969 | Spirit | GERMAN SETTLEMENT "Next Sunday morning, Dec. 21, at 10:30 there will be a Christmas concert in place of the regular morning service at Zion Lutheran Church. The senior and junior choirs of Rib Lake and Spirit will sing. ¶ Children's Christmas service on Christmas Eve, Dec. 24, at 8:15 p.m. Everyone is welcome to the concert and the traditional Christmas Eve service. ¶ Danny Lind returned to school in Medford on Monday, after three weeks observing and cadet teaching at Rib Lake Junior High School. ¶ Mr. and Mrs. Gene Meier and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Meier were Sunday afternoon callers at the Eugene Erickson home near Prentice. ¶ Mrs. Marie Hoffman, Luanne and Nancy were Medford shoppers on Friday. ¶ This year for the first time there is a lit Christmas tree at the |
| 12/18/1969 (cont) | Spirit (cont) | ¶ I wonder if the folks who planned the first Legion Christmas Party in Spirit realized how much this event would mean after a few years. Now that Spirit has no rural schools anymore, the program and social hour are a real community affair. It is almost 20 years since the first one was held, but each year the town hall is full and it is such a pleasure to see the children do their parts; reminding me of the school programs which were such an important part of Christmas. It was brought out that people in Spirit should be especially happy this Christmas that we have no Spirit boys in the war zone this year. ¶ Mr. and Mrs. Carl Meier called on Mr. and Mrs. Gus Brietzke in Brantwood one evening last week. ¶ Glen Hoffman suffered a sprained ankle in basketball practice last week. ¶ The Albert Johnsons are happy to have their son, Joe, home and discharged from the service. He has spent the last 6 months in the States. He visited relatives near Milwaukee en route home. ¶ A blessed Christmas season to all our readers." |
| 12/18/1969 | Rib Lake Herald | EDITORIAL "A good example of how tax money is badly mis-spent came to the attention of The Herald late last week. ¶ Politicing Mayor Maier of Milwaukee found it worthwhile to send a representative of his office to personally beat the Boondocks for support of the Mayor's position on the Tarr Task Force. ¶ His man, Douglas W. Haselkow, who has the title of fiscal coordinator of the Department of Fiscal Liaison for the City of Milwaukee (or is it just for Mayor Maier) called on The Herald to solicit support for the mayor's views. ¶ Now, whether the mayor's position on the impending changes in Tarr Task Force recommendations are right or wrong, we won't comment. ¶ But we will say that it is a misuse of Milwaukee City tax money to send a man up through the state to rally support for the mayor. Seems to us that the mayor is usually hollering about how he needs more financial aid for the poverty-stricken city. Maybe he could start to save money by putting his lackeys to work in Milwaukee to solve ITS OWN problems." |
| 12/25/1969 | Obituary & RLLC | TRACY BERFIELD RITES HELD SATURDAY "Tracy M. Berfield, 78, Rib Lake, died at his home Wednesday, Dec. 17, 1969. The funeral was held at the Mannel Funeral Home in Rib Lake Dec. 20 at 2:00 p.m., and burial followed in the Lakeview Cemetery. The Medford Masonic Lodge officiated at the funeral. ¶ Mr. Berfield was born Feb. 4, 1891, in Sinnamahoning, Pennsylvania. He married Viola Sapp in 1910. She died in 1948. He then married Agnes Radtke in 1949. She died in 1960. ¶ He was general superintendent of the RLLC for about 25 years. He retired in 1952. He had been a member of the Masonic Evergreen Lodge #163, Free and Accepted Masons of |

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| 12/25/1969 | Obituary & Westboro | MRS. ANNA OCHODNICKY OF WESTBORO DIES "Mrs. Anna Ochodnicky, 69, of Westboro, died at Memorial Hospital Saturday, Dec. 20. Arrangements were made through the Mannel Funeral Home of Rib Lake, where the body lay in state. ¶ Services were held Dec. 23 at 2:00 p.m. at the First Lutheran Church at Westboro. Interment took place at Mount Olive Cemetery, also in Westboro, with the Rev. Luther Jacobson of Ogema officiating. ¶ Mrs. Ochodnicky is the former Anna Slimak. She was born Apr. 26, 1900, in Czechslovakia. At the age of 20 she married John Ochodnicky in Czechslovakia. The couple moved to the United States in 1929, settling in Milwaukee. In April of 1937 they moved to Westboro. ¶ She is survived by her husband, John, three daughters, Mathilda, Mrs. Donald Everson of Appleton; Pauline, Mrs. Richard Nozziska (sic) of Westboro; and Victoria, Mrs. Larry Andreae of Milwaukee; four sons, John of Milwaukee; Joseph, Carmi, Illinois; Paul and Charles of Westboro...." |
| 12/25/1969 | Law | BILL AUTHORED BY SWEDA IS SIGNED BY GOVERNOR "State Representative Joe Sweda, Democrat, Lublin, announced that Governor Knowles has signed Assembly Bill 757. Sweda, the principal author, witnessed the signing in his office Dec. 22. The bill will extend to trucks transporting forest products exemption from violation which would occur from overweight, provided that such overweight can be made legal by shifting the load. ¶ In the past, this exemption has been provided to other types of loads, but not forest products. ¶ After the signing, Sweda said with passage of this measure, recognition has been provided to the forest products industry as a major contributor to the economy of our state. ¶ Sweda pointed out that the change in the law would not result in danger to roads, since it is restricted only to Class A and B highways. ¶ Sweda warned the date the bill will be effective is as yet undetermined. However, after the bill has been published in the state paper, it will be law, which will be in about two weeks." |
| 12/25/1969 | Obituary | HARVEY L. SCHOLZ, FORMER RESIDENT, PASSES AWAY "Harvey L. Scholz, a former resident of Rib Lake, passed away Dec. 17, in Chippewa Falls, Wisconsin. ¶ The body was brought to Rib Lake Friday and placed in state at the Mannel Funeral Home. ¶ Services were held at St. John's Catholic Church of Rib Lake. Interment followed at St. Ann's Catholic Cemetery in the Town of Greenwood. Services were conducted by the Rev. Werner Hemmelgarn of Rib Lake. ¶ Scholz was born in Rib Lake March 17, 1935. Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Paul Pennicuff, also from Chippewa, and Margaret, Mrs. John Dohy of Prescott, Illinois. Also surviving are his two brothers. |
| 12/25/1969 | Library | LIBRARY NOTES By Star Powers "Things have really been happening at our library since our last column - when was that? Way last February, wasn't it? Anyway, here are some tidbits of news: ¶ We are registering all patrons again, that is, if you have not registered within the past year or so, and if you are an adult (that is, high school or older). Then we will re-issue numbers, and do away with borrowers' cards. We are now moving on to a new and better system of checking out books. ¶ Beginning the first week in January, we will be open 16-20 hours per week. That is four days for sure, and sometimes five. If you have any serious preference for "open hours" let us know because we are still experimenting as to just which are the best hours to be open....¶ We will soon have recordings to circulate, just like books...Also viewmaster slide wheels and viewers. Of course, just a small number at first, and |

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| 12/25/1969 (cont) | Library (cont) | ¶ What do you or what don't you like about our library? Why not tell us? Or you can write us an unsigned letter. If the suggestion really is constructive, we will use it...If not, we'll ignore it. ¶ We received a very substantial memorial fund recently, which we hope will grow so we can make some "really big" improvements in our library with it. We wish more folks would be aware that the library can use memorial funds and memorial books! Many other items were given to us this year as well: we received two full sets of encyclopedias, which are greatly appreciated. We received a large number of books from another library, which has helped round out many collections in which we were quite low (mysteries, westerns, etc.), so we are in good stock at present for all of our voracious readers. We also have two very beautiful, and expensive, books about art, both were memorials to our |
| 12/25/1969 (cont) | Library (cont) | ¶ If you haven't been in the library for a while, do stop in. See all the changes we have made, and how we are constantly changing things, we hope for the better. The library is a very sturdy little building, "right around the corner from where you live " and lots of things are happening there " |
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| 1/15/1970 | Rib Lake Herald | GENE CLIFFORD HONORED "Gene Clifford, former publisher of the Rib Lake Herald, was honored by fellow publishers at the Wisconsin Press Association winter conference in Stevens Point January 9. A life membership was presented by President Kennan. Tomahawk." |
| 1/15/1970 | Spirit & People | CAT LIFTED FROM SPIRIT "A cat tractor [bulldozer] sunk in Spirit Lake from plowing snow, was recovered Sunday by a group of friends and neighbors. ¶ It had been used by Leroy Ziembo to clear snow from the ice Saturday, Jan. 3, when it hit a weak spot and sank. ¶ The machine belonged to Fred Mohr, Sr. ¶ An endloader operated by Sep Steen was used to make connection to the cat, and the efforts of many volunteer neighbors and friends was directed by Martin Steen. ¶ The machine was sunk just inside the Taylor County line on Little Spirit Lake. ¶ According to witnesses, the recovery operation attracted as much attention as some snowmobile races, with a large crowd watching the rescue operation. ¶ As of yet, no determination of damage to the machine has been made. Since it turned over in falling in, however, the hood was somewhat crushed. The machine is drying out at a garage near the scene." |
| 1/15/1970 | Utilities | NATURAL GAS ASSURED HERE "Northern Natural Gas Company has accepted conditions of service to this area laid down by the Federal Power Commission, according to a telegram from the president of the firm, Gordon Severa. ¶ The certificate issued to Northern by the FPC now assures natural gas service to Rib Lake, Ogema, Westboro, Mellen, Glidden, Butternut, Park Falls, Fifield, Phillips and Prentice, in 1970, according to K. S. Austin, president of the Lake Superior District Power Company..." |

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| 1/15/1970 | Law | PROPERTY OWNERS NOT LIABLE FOR ACCIDENTS "State Senator Clifford Krueger (R-Merrill) said last week that many people in this area are apprehensive about their liability if they should permit snowmobilers to use their property and an accident or injury to those persons using the snowmobile should occur. ¶ "To allay their fears," Senator Krueger said, "I should like to assure property owners that under Assembly Bill 410, which passed the state senate January 7, an owner, lessee, or occupant of premises owes no duty to keep the premises safe for entry or use by others for snowmobiling, hunting, fishing, trapping, camping, hiking, berry picking, or any other sight-seeing or recreational use." ¶ Senator Krueger said that even if the owner, lessee or occupant of property gives permission to others to snowmobile on his property, he does not thereby extend any assurance that the premises are safe for such purpose..." |
| 1/22/1970 | | 30 BELOW TEMPERATURES HIT RIB LAKE AREA "A week-long cold spell clouted the Rib Lake area, and at time of printing, the sun is out, but the temperatures don't climb much. ¶ The weekend through Wednesday morning sent temperatures tumbling 20 below 25 below 30 below and even more in some places " |
| 1/22/1970 | Entertainment | SNOWMOBILES by Allen Lietzke, County Resource Agent "A good snow cover has brought thousands of snowmobile enthusiasts out to Wisconsin snowmobile trails this winter. ¶ Snowmobiling is fast becoming one of Wisconsin's most popular winter sports. The number of snowmobilers in the state is increasing at a faster rate than skiers, with snowmobiling now more popular than skiing. ¶ About 1 out of every 75 Wisconsin residents owns a snowmobile. Last year there were 41,000 snowmobiles in the state. This has increased 37% to 56,000 this year. ¶ You don't have to travel far to reach a snowmobile trail in Wisconsin. All the counties in the state now have snowmobile trails, and most of them are on public lands. Snowmobilers have a choice of over 150 separate snowmobile trails, totaling 2,721 miles. At least 1,550,000 acres are open for snow cruising..." |
| 1/22/1970 | | BIDS WANTED "Sealed bids will be received by the Town Board of the Town of Rib Lake for the sale of former Alin Carlson Sweet Shop building, located west of the bathing beach on South Harper Lake. This building must be removed from the premises by April 1, 1970. ¶ The following personal property from the Carlson Sweet Shop is also for sale: 1 pop cooler, 2 refrigerators, 2 showcases, 1 gas stove, 1 chest, 1 settee, 2 wall cabinets, 4 floor cabinets, 1 boat and oars...Send bids to Lavern Zuege, Town Clerk, Rib Lake, Wis." |

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| 1/29/1970 | Politics | WHO WILL BE THE THIRD TRUSTEE? "How will the third vacancy for trustee of the Village of Rib Lake be filled? This was the big question Tuesday night when Elsa Juse, village clerk, reported that only two candidates for the three vacancies had filed nomination papers. ¶ They are Wayne Bullis and Eugene R. Clifford. ¶ Both incumbents, Walter Wilhelms and Kenneth Mannel, have not filed papers with the village clerk. ¶ Mr. Wilhelms is in the hospital at the present, and could not be reached for comment. Mr. Mannel said that his lack of filing papers with the clerk had indicated his wish not to run again. ¶ This is the first time in the history of the Village of Rib Lake that there have not been enough candidates to fill the offices of trustee, Mrs. Juse said...." |
| 1/29/1970 | Law | WISCONSIN TRACTORS NEED "SMV" EMBLEMS THIS YEAR "Wisconsin's quarter-of-a-million tractors may not need to travel any faster in 1970, but they will require a slow-moving vehicle (SMV) emblem if they are to operate on the state's highways, reports the Wis. Dept. of Agriculture. ¶ According to the State Transportation Department, SMV emblems are now required on all vehicles which operate on highways at speeds less than 25 miles per hour. These include farm tractors, combines, wagons and others, as well as grading machinery and other |
| 1/29/1970 | Rib Lake Herald | FREE WANT ADS "Free - non-commercial want ads to all paid-up subscribers (ads in connection with a business not eligible). Get rid of that extra stuff which you no longer want. NO CHARGE. Just clip the address stamp needed. Sell it or trade it off to other subscribers from your Herald and enclose with your ad. Mail or take it to the Herald office. Use this service as many times as you want." |
| 1/29/1970 | Rib Lake Herald | DEAR EDITOR "You are just like the rest of this town, afraid of reality. Here is my signature for my previous letter. This makes it nice and legal, so no more excuses for not printing my letter. It must hurt you not to know who I am, but I'll tell you after I get my diploma. ¶ By the way, if all letters must be signed, I was wondering, who is "The Wizard"? It's quite obvious that you were just trying to find my identity. Right? I also happen to know there were not two letters not signed, but only one. Mine! ¶ For the second time, a member of the senior class. Signed |
| 2/5/1970 | Clubs/Orders | NEW PRESIDENT FOR LOCAL LIONS CLUB "A meeting to reorganize the Rib Lake Lions Club was held at the Little Bohemia Café January 29. David Attwood was elected as new president to fill the seat vacated by Ken Hilbert's resignation. The meeting held Thursday was ladies and guests night. Guests included Mr. and Mrs. Bill Berwig, Mr. and Mrs. Rich Adema, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Kubac, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gums, and Mr. and Mrs. Roger Johnson. ¶ President Attwood then dissolved all old committees as his first action, and proceeded to appoint new ones. They were set up as follows: ¶ 1. Attendance, retention and membership - Lion Schabel, Chairman. ¶ 2. Finance information and convention - Lion Mitchell, Chairman. ¶ 3. Program - Lion Stewart, Chairman. ¶ 4. Projects committee - responsible for ideas on fundraising projects - Lion Buksa, Chairman. ¶ 5. Sight conservation |
| 2/5/1970 | Rib Lake Herald | LETTERS TO THE EDITOR "Dear Editor, Thank you for wrapping my latest issue of the Herald. It was rolled, then wrapped, and thus arrived here all in one piece. ¶ My mother, Mrs. Elsie Schmidt, always buys me a subscription to your paper each year for my birthday. I really enjoy the happenings from my hometown, and it's almost as good as receiving a letter from home. Thank you! Mrs. Marie Silbernagel " |

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| 2/5/1970 | Politics | CONGRESSMAN'S REPORT - DAVID R. OBEY "Anyone who enjoys seafood will be alarmed by the dire prophecies of some of our marine scientists. ¶ Dr. Charles Wurster, Jr., a biochemist, at State University of New York, declares "The DDT in the ocean, directly threatens the marine fisheries of the world." ¶ Dr. George Woodwell, Chief Ecologist at Brookhaven National Laboratory, agrees with Wurster, and predicts, "In a decade, there will be drastic changes in fish populations. If we go on for another 25 years (using DDT), 50 years at most, we will certainly lose our oceanic fisheries. ¶ Dr. Woodwell speculates that destruction of marine fish populations may be underway already, and that we just don't know it...¶ Even our small gains and restriction in the use of hard |
| 2/5/1970 (cont) | Politics (cont) | Four of the six companies that appealed account for most of the nation's DDT output, according to the Dept. of Agriculture. By filing the appeal, they nullified the effective date of the federal ban. ¶ The appeal procedure is complex and would take as long as 14 months. While the procedure needn't take the maximum amount of time, whenever it does end, the companies would be entitled to take their case to the federal courts, which could delay the ban even longer. ¶ I am not opposed to administrative hearings and procedural fairness. I wonder, though, what the effects of continued use of DDT will be, both seen and unseen. ¶ Hard pesticides and pollution are putting a double whammy on the world's marine food resources. We must care more and learn more, and not wait until all the fish are gone." |

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| 2/12/1970 | Environment | PROTEST NEW WOOD DAM "The New Wood Society will hold its second public meeting tonight at 7:30 in the Merrill Junior High School cafeteria. The cafeteria joins the main entrance off Sales Street. ¶ The matter of the New Wood dam will be aired at a public hearing, conducted by the Wisconsin DNR, starting at 1:00 p.m. Tuesday, February 17, in the Lincoln County Courthouse in Merrill. ¶ Testimonials to the use of the New Wood area are requested by the New Wood Society, Route 6, Merrill, 54452. Pictures should be detailed as to when taken, and should contain address; write at once, as time is short. ¶ The Society welcomes cash contributions. If enough of our friends come to our aid, we can save the Newwood from drowning." |
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| 2/19/1970 | Businesses | OGEMA PLANT MAKES PALLETS "A few years back there was not much call for a wooden platform called a pallet. Today, with an industry using the hydraulic forklift truck, there is a big demand for these pallets. There is in our area a plant turning out around 2,000 of these per week. ¶ The E.W. Larsen Company of Ogema does the manufacturing job for these from cut wood stage to finished product. George Schmidt, General Manager of the plant, explained that many truckloads of wood were used each week. The wood goes through machinery at the plant that cuts pieces to the right size, and then goes through the nailing machine to produce the finished product. ¶ The plant sends about 4 truckloads of finished product to the Chicago-Milwaukee area each week. ¶ The Ogema Area Development Corporation, in the fall of 1969, made a business transaction with Edward W. Larsen, Ogema, to sell their property, formerly operating as Consolidated Molding Corporation, and located on 4 acres of land just south of the old sawmill, and east of the Soo Line Railroad tracks. |

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| 3/5/1970 | Rib Lake Herald | AD COMPANY BUYS HERALD "Negotiations by Alpine Advertising, Inc., Medford, to purchase the Rib Lake Herald has recently been completed. Mr. Dale Tromanhauser will stay on to manage the business for them. Mrs. Jane Smeaton will stay on as linotype operator." |
| 3/12/1970 | Environment & Law | GROUP PLEDGES NEW WOOD FIGHT "At its March 3rd meeting in the Merrill Junior High School, the Newwood Society elected a 20-member board of directors, which will be the policy-making body of the Society. Members of the board include the following... Wayne Tlusty, Rib Lake. ¶ Despite the bad weather, many Society members and other interested persons came from Rib Lake, Westboro, Marshfield, Edgar, Stratford, Wausau, Tomahawk and other cities. Continual interest in the Newwood dam and its threat to the Newwood wilderness area indicates a growing public concern for our wild lands. Under ever-increasing pressures for economic exploitation, these are shrinking and disappearing at an alarming rate. ¶ On March 7, the Newwood dam hearings, conducted by ¶ During the testimony so far, the Wisconsin Valley Improvement Company has revealed some important information, which is not generally known. To many people, the summer drawn-down figures for this fully-fluctuating flowage are surprising. In an average year, summer water release would lower the water level 8 feet, and expose over one-half of the reservoir bottom. In a wet year, 4 feet of water level variation could be expected. The WVIC presented no chart of areas exposed of drawn-down during a dry year. Opponents of the dam claim that in a dry year, the water could conceivably be drawn down to its lowest level, leaving 1,900 acres of mud and decaying vegetation, which would normally be covered with snow and ice during the late winter draw-downs. ¶ To the members of the Newwood Society, 1900 acres of mud and dead growth is 1900 acres of mud and dead growth, |
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| 3/12/1970 (cont) | Environment & Law (cont) | ¶ Witnesses from the DNR have corroborated observations of the Newwood Society in these three important areas: ¶ 1. Wisconsin is by statute committed to flood plain zoning as a major tool in mitigating flood damage. This negates the need for the Newwood impoundment for "flood control" reasons. No record of any flood damage by the Newwood River has ever been presented at these hearings. ¶ 2. A resolution opposing further damage of trout streams was passed unanimously by the old conservation commission about 1965. Why did the present natural resources board not implement this resolution, which has not been changed or rescinded? Eighteen miles of Class 1 trout stream (the forks of the Newwood and Shaw Creek) are threatened if the dam goes in. There may not be ¶ 3. Deer yards within the reservoir boundaries constitute considerably more than 13% of the Newwood deer yarding areas. Owners of Newwood hunting camps will see a serious decline in deer, if this winter range is wiped out. The most intensive management that would be practical probably could not overcome the loss of the sheltered lowland yarding places. ¶ As evidenced by society at Society meetings, and at hearings to date, people have become very concerned about the issue - or misuse of public resources - such as the waters of the State of Wisconsin. Americans did not agree with previous claims that what is good for any particular industry is good for America: ¶ The Newwood Society and its many friends do not believe that the destruction of spring-fed trout streams and wilderness lands to provide flushing waters for the much-abused Wisconsin River is best for Anybody, including proponents of this dam. The WVIC is wholly-owned by industries operating on the Wisconsin River. With tax considerations presently in effect, those industry members who are among the biggest polluters of the Wisconsin River should avail themselves of the present climate of opinion, which says "we are willing to pay, let's get on with the job!" ¶ Thanks to the Wisconsin Valley Improvement Company, the Wisconsin River is presently under good |
| 3/12/1970 (cont) | Rib Lake Herald & Environment | LETTERS TO THE EDITOR "Dear Editor, Thank you very kindly for the fine play you have given for the efforts of the Newwood Society. Our members, especially those in the Westboro and Rib Lake area, deeply and sincerely appreciate it. Some of these people were prepared to fight condemnation proceedings (the Wisconsin Valley Improvement Company has the power of eminent domain, under its archaic 1907 charter), prior to the formation of this society. Now they are safe, because we will carry their fight and we will win. ¶ Our ace in the hole has been the very ground in question. No one in his right mind could deny the evidence on the spots. The swamps are right this minute full of yarding deer (I saw 24 or more in one mile ride through there yesterday, plus a couple bunches while I was walking the Newwood River from the dam site up to the Whiskey Bill bridge.) Anyone with eyes will readily Oh, I guess it won't be quite that bad; the area is quite self-protective, as you may know. Not too many guys or gals like to buck the head-high weeds and alder tangles. In reality, I think the trout are pretty safe...If we can be of any assistance to you, say on a conservation or environmental matter, please do not hesitate to call. We have speedily rounded up a highly-qualified group of environmental specialists, in fields from water pollution to trout propagation. These talents will be available on call when they have saved the Newwood. Yours very truly, Signed |
| 3/19/1970 | Politics | GEBAUER TO COUNTY FINANCE COMMITTEE "Joe Sweda, Town of Roosevelt, Chairman of the county board of supervisors, has announced the appointment of Henry Gebauer, Town of Greenwood, as a member of the board's finance committee. Gebauer, who also serves on the committee on highways, replaced the late George Baumer. Other members of the finance committee include Paul Arndt, Town of Medford, Chairman, and Stanley |

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| 3/19/1970 | Environment & Politics | NEWWOOD HEARINGS POSTPONED "The Newwood Society was mildly surprised by the Wisconsin Valley Improvement Company's request for an indefinite postponement of the Newwood hearings. However, the Society does not believe that <u>any</u> revision of the plan for a reservoir on the Newwood River would <u>ever</u> be an acceptable replacement for existing values. ¶ Members and friends are therefore urged to continue their whole-hearted efforts to preserve the Newwood in its wild state, by circulating petitions and soliciting memberships. ¶ The Society and its attorneys are a way of the strong majority sentiment against the dam among local residents. With concern for best use of our wild lands growing steadily, the Society intends to lend its full strength to assure that our environment is |
| 3/19/1970 (cont) | Environment & Politics (cont) | ¶ The WVIC has indicated that it intends to resume the Newwood project at a later date. The Newwood Society intends to confirm its position of opposition to any dam on the Newwood River. It asks that testimonial letters, pictures, articles, or any other helpful information be sent to the Society's Merrill address. Memberships are available simply by sending \$1 to the Newwood Society, Route 6, Merrill. Information regarding the Society's position is available upon request." |

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| 3/19/1970 | Schools & Education | HIGH SCHOOL NEWS By Laura Thums and Diane Matyka "The Rib Lake High School has been notified that Mr. Ronald Blomberg, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wilbert Blomberg, has been named a 1970 CYF Scholar. This award is made possible through the Baptist General Conference and Bethel College. Ronald is being selected as one of the top 10 students chosen on the basis of academic achievement, leadership and Christian testimony. He will receive: 1. A gold cup; 2. Recognition at the Baptist Conference annual meeting; 3. A letter of commendation from the Baptist Conference officials; 4. And a financial aid package to Bethel College, one-half of which will be a scholarship. Congratulations Ronald! ¶ Jim Manville spoke to the senior Social Problems class last Friday about drugs. |
| 3/19/1970 (cont) | Schools & Education (cont) | ¶ The band and chorus spring concert, which was held on Sunday, was very well attended. ¶ This week the senior boys who were members of the "A" basketball team will travel to Madison to watch the state tournaments. Mr. Frizzel, the "A" team coach, and Mr. Jinske, the assistant coach, will also attend. ¶ The nine weeks end on March 24 of next week. ¶ Easter vacation will begin on Thursday, March 26, and will last through Easter Monday." |
| 3/19/1970 | Rib Lake Herald & Rib Lake - Village | FROM OUR FILES - FROM THE HERALD MARCH 30, 1950 "The Village Board has reminded all property owners who have outdoor toilets in the village that they must be abandoned, and all homes and buildings must be connected with the village water system." |
| 3/19/1970 | Businesses & Rib Lake Herald | BEST OF LUCK TO THE NEW MANAGEMENT OF THE HERALD [The following businesses joined in this ad.] 1. Dale's Market. 2. Schlais Clothing Store. 3. Helen and Duane Warner, d/b/a Gamble Store. 4. State Bank of Medford - Rib Lake station. 5. Tom Carroll, d/b/a Coast-to-Coast. 6. Sunderlin's Thermogas, Inc. 7. Upjohn Store. 8. Rib Lake Roller Mills "Your Friendly Doughbuoy Dealer". 9. Patrick Shoe Store. 10. Olde Towne Gift & Liquor. 11. Rich & Flo Adema, d/b/a Lakeview Resort on Big Spirit Lake. 12. Ken & Ruth Mannel, d/b/a Mannel Funeral Service. 13. Roger's Sinclair. 14. Steve's Bar. 15. Bill & Gerri Berwig, d/b/a The Little Bohemia. 16. Al & Gladys Rahbel, d/b/a Spirit Lake Resort & Motel. 17. Lila & Harvey Blader, d/b/a Blue Royal Tavern - junction 13 and |
| 3/26/1970 | Obituary | OTTO BREHM, FORMER RESIDENT, DIES IN MILWAUKEE HOSPITAL "Services were held on March 25, 1970, at 1:00 p.m. for Otto Brehm, 80, a former Rib Lake resident, who died Mar. 22 in the Milwaukee County Hospital. Mr. Brehm's body lay in state at the Mannel Funeral Home from 4:00 p.m. Tuesday until the services began. Interment followed at the Hillcrest Cemetery in Spirit, with Rev. Lowell Anderson officiating. ¶ Otto Brehm was born June 19, 1889, in Rib Lake, and is survived by one son, Edward Brehm, of West Allis, and two daughters, Mrs. Andrew Zondlo, Rose, of Rib Lake; and Mrs. Gerald Tepp, Delorr of Menomonie Falls. Also surviving him are six step-children, two boys, Mr. Art Burnett and Mr. Martin Grueheimer, and four girls, Mrs. Hazel Frank, Mrs. |

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| 3/26/1970 | Businesses | GOING OUT OF BUSINESS SALE "10% off entire stock, starting March 26, until sold out. Heindl's Store, Rib Lake. Thank you! We wish to take this opportunity to thank all of our customers for their fine patronage through the last 31 years. Thanks again. Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Heindl." |
| 4/2/1970 | Businesses | DONALD COLEMAN RECEIVES SPECIALIZED TRAINING "It has been brought to the attention of this office that Donald Coleman of Rib Lake, associated with Sunderlin's Thermogas, Inc., has recently attended a special dealer training school conducted by Lennox Industries, Inc., at Minneapolis, Minnesota. ¶ Featured at the school were the latest techniques and service of heating and air conditioning equipment. Instructors at the school were educational department personnel from the factory located in Marshalltown, Iowa. ¶ These schools are part of a |
| 4/2/1970 | Education | TREES FOR TOMORROW LAUNCHES 25TH YEAR "A Spirit Youth Forest Group from this area will go to a Trees for Tomorrow camp April 1-4. ¶ A total of 945 high school students will attend the series of a 3-day spring workshop at Trees for Tomorrow camp at Eagle River, beginning April 1, and in inaugurating the camp's 25th year. Approximately 500 more will attend in the fall. ¶ More than 80,000 people, students, teachers, newspapermen, and |
| 4/2/1970 | Rib Lake Herald & History - 4/2/1970 | DOWN THE ROAD "It was 21 years ago yesterday, April Fool's Day, 1949, that we first appeared in this vail of woe and tears, and sometimes we think we've celebrated that questionable holiday every day since. ¶ That situation may not have changed, but the physical appearance of the village, its businesses and other activity, and the community spirit, have undergone transformations, indeed! ¶ At that time, the National Hotel, where we parked for a couple weeks, was operated by the John Dolezaleks. Barney's Garage and Fish Market, of course, was next door, and on the west was Mathias' Central Hotel, on the site of the first and original Golden Age Home. ¶ Now what is Stewart's Lumber building, was then the unused machine shop owned by the RLLC, which had abandoned its operations about a year previously. ¶ To the north at the approximate present site of Roger's Service Center, was the old "Companv Store." then being occupied by Gene Schlais' Variety Store. Next door was the old lodge building. |

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| 4/2/1970 (cont) | Rib Lake Herald & History - 4/2/1970 (cont) | ¶ Pete Bogumill was selling meat and renting lockers to the north, and then came the Gamble Store, owned by Ed Prien, whose chief assistant was Ernie Sunderlin. ¶ The McRaes still operated their bakery, and Jeanette's Beauty Shop (a different Jeanette,) was in charge. Louis Bednarek ran the popular New Lake Theatre in that early era before television ruined that business. ¶ The late Dr. Mauch had his dental office in the corner room. ¶ The bank with Franny Schaack in charge, even then stood at its present site, and next door was the new Little Bohemia, operated by the Kapitz brothers, Satch, Rudy and Art. The cafe at the rear was in charge of Mrs. Josie Bertagnoli. ¶ Next was the coffee shop, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Daniels, proprietors, and then came the Eggert Tavern, owned by Al and Don, followed by Leon Olsen's Hardware Emporium. The Eggerts had the only genuine pool table in town. |
| 4/2/1970 (cont) | Rib Lake Herald & History - 4/2/1970 (cont) | ¶ Then came a building housing Jerry Dewz' shoe repair shop. We still have a couple pair of his socks, bought at a bargain when he sold out to Seldon (sic) Patrick, a couple years later. The north half of the Becker building, later occupied by the post office, was empty, but Frank and Celia Becker were in full swing at the tavern. ¶ What now is the legion hall was the late Dr. Horn's office, and Bud Freeck was the major domo on that tavern, now known as Steve's. ¶ Another building to the south, only recently razed, was occupied by Alphonse Kollman. The drug store was where it is now, and to the south was the Boy Scout hut, rather than the post office. ¶ There was nothing but space in the area now occupied by Sunderlin's Appliance Store and Laundromat, the clinic, the new Golden Age Home, and the Clearview School, the Chalet Motel, A&W Root Beer Stand, and John Eckhoff and Glen Hanifen home. |

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| 4/2/1970 (cont) | Rib Lake Herald & History - 4/2/1970 (cont) | ¶ Heindl's Store was in the building where they are now vacating. The cheese factory was going stong under the supervision of O.R. Thompson, the present Lake Superior office [Lake Superior District Power Company] and shop was part of Gustafson's Lumber Yard, most of which was across the street, of what then was the old fuzz mill [originally the Stephen A. Konz sawmill] was still standing, but unused, and Adolph Vlach's 102, was used considerably. ¶ Herman Batzer was the Standard Oil man, and John Schreiner was Vic Kohn's chief assistant at the Rib Lake Roller Mill. ¶ Twenty-one years - sometimes it doesn't seem more than that many days." |
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| 4/9/1970 | Businesses & History 4/9/1970 | DOWN THE ROAD By Gene Clifford "Last week, we got a little detoured off the road; we were going north on Main Street [McComb Ave.], as of 21 years ago, and had mentioned Olsen's Hardware Store. Then we suddenly found ourselves going south, on the other side of the street. ¶ What should have intervened follows: ¶ Across the lot where the Swanson building had formerly stood, was Jake [Janda's] Candy Store. The stock had dwindled by then, but there was still plenty of Jake. ¶ [Going north, the next building was Tauber's Tavern] Frank Tauber, who wouldn't get off his easy chair to serve only one beer, and was inclined to give the bum's rush to anyone who asked for a fancy drink, such as a martini or Manhattan, was still pursuing the even tenor of his ways. ¶ Art Schultz had |
| 4/9/1970 (cont) | Businesses & History 4/9/1970 (cont) | ¶ Shaus Rosenfeldt was my host at the Lakeside. [Southwell Rosenfeldt operated the Lakeside Tavern on the north side of Rib Lake. The location, in 2009, is filled by the Lawrence Kennedy home, 846 Lake Shore Dr.] ¶ Coming down on the other side of [McComb Ave.], the North Side Garage building was empty, or used for storage. [In 2009, this site is occupied by Gerstberger Florist, 835 McComb Ave.] ¶ The Henry Schlais' were in charge of the clothing store. [In 2009, the building still stands as an apartment and office building; it includes the office of Dr. Dean R. Hussong, DDS, 827 McComb Ave.] ¶ Louis Menning was in the barbershop. [The Barbershop is now |
| 4/9/1970 (cont) | Businesses & History 4/9/1970 (cont) | ¶ On to the south on that Sunny Side of the Street, was The Herald office, which those funny people from Fond du Lac were taking over, succeeding Babe Nehls, who wanted to retire, but didn't until illness forced him to it, more than 20 years later. [In 2009, this site is also a portion of the IGA parking lot.] ¶ Geoge Seidel's Store, now the IGA, was on the corner. [Seidel's Store is now Ed's IGA, 801 McComb Ave.] ¶ On the opposite corner, on what is now a vacant lot, stood Ma Dodge's Cozy Cafe and Rooming House, [Ma Dodge's occupied the southwest corner of Landall and McComb Ave.] ¶ To the south was Zielke's Store, instead of Dale's Supermarket. [The Supermarket, as of 5/14/2009, is Damien Jones' Coffee Shop; its address is 749 McComb Ave. It occupies Block D. Lot 14, McComb's Racing Park Addition.] ¶ The building now housing Patrick's Shoe Store was vacant. [The building occupies 743 McComb Ave.] ¶ The village hallcame next. [The former village hall building still stands at 741 McComb Ave. - now the village garage and public works building.]" |
| 4/16/1970 | Clubs/Orders | SALVATION ARMY DRIVE ANNOUNCED "Mr. Verl Bokath, chairman, Rib Lake Service Unit of the Salvation Army, announced today that the annual drive will be held April 20 through April 30. ¶ The committee for Rib Lake consists of Mr. Bokath, Chairman; Mr. Francis Schaack, treasurer; and Mr. Robert Becker. ¶ The Salvation Army has multiple services for children and adults by local welfare in addition to its institutional activities and statewide programs. Its emergency disaster service is consistently alert for dispatch to troubled areas, to persons whose homes |

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| 4/16/1970 (cont) | Clubs/Orders (cont) | ¶ The contribution of citizens will be converted into happiness by your local committees through assistance to needy people. We believe that all residents will respond to support and share in this great humanitarian program. The Salvation Army operates 24 hours a day with services that never cease. So be a friend indeed, give now to the Salvation Army Service Unit drive when you are contacted, or you may send your donations to Mr. Schaack, treasurer, at the State Bank of Medford, Rib Lake station, Rib Lake, Wis." |
| 4/16/1970 | Businesses | RIB LAKE INDUSTRIAL FOUNDATION "A meeting of the Rib Lake Industrial Foundation was held Monday, April 13. New officers elected were: Ed Martin, president; Leroy Stewart, vice president; Francis Schaack, secretary; and Robert Melaski, treasurer.." |
| 4/16/1970 | Rib Lake Herald | DOWN THE ROAD By Gene Clifford "A funny thing happened last Tuesday to the driver of a moving van en route to RICE LAKE with a load of household goods - you guessed it - he ended up in a detour to RIB LAKE. ¶ The gent parked his monstrous vehicle downtown and asked for directions to "910 Main Street." A check of the downtown stores failed to reveal any employees or customers who knew where the real Main Street was, as most folks incorrectly refer to McComb Avenue, our main drag, as Main Street. ¶ A further check at the village hall, with clerk Else Juse and Chief of Police George Thums, also failed to reveal any Main Street address, such as 910, and the name of the newcoming consigning family, likewise was unfamiliar. ¶ Then dawn broke. Rice Lake, the driver suddenly realized, was his destination, and away he went, seemingly unperturbed by the 10 mile detour off Highway 13. ¶ We tried several years ago to get Rice Lake to change its name, due to the frequent mix-up in mails between this garden spot of the world and that other community to the northwest of us. ¶ Maybe the truck driver is a convert to the campaign." |

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| 4/16/1970 | Politics | IM APPRECIATIVE "I wish to thank the voters of District 9 for re-electing me. Your Supervisor, Harold E. Zielke." |
| 4/23/1970 | Schools | LOCAL TEACH-IN IS A SUCCESS By Ron Blomberg "The Rib Lake High School Coordinating Committee for the April 22, nationwide Teach-In presented varied activities for the student body this week. The theme for the week was "stop pollution before it stops us." Posters and bulletin board displays were exhibited by several school organizations, homerooms and individuals. ¶ These displays were judged Tuesday morning and will be displayed locally next week in an effort to keep the community informed and involved in the problems of environmental pollution. ¶ On Wednesday morning, the school environmental fact paper was distributed. This paper has offered information and discussion on problems for the past two weeks. ¶ A special afternoon assembly featured Dr. William Somits, associate professor of biology at University of Wisconsin - Marathon campus, as speaker. He ¶ Additional items on the program included recognition of contest winners, and a special school skit emphasizing the environmental pollution. ¶ School committee chairman Bev Becker expressed desire that the concern and interest shown by the student body will extend and spread to local citizens in the future " |
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| 4/23/1970 | Clubs/Orders | POSSIBLY ABOUT YOU! "The annual meeting of Rib Lake Ladies Bowling League was held last Tuesday evening at the Little Bohemia Café. The meeting was preceded by a 7:00 p.m. banquet. Officers were elected for the coming year, and they are: President-Shirley Olson; Vice President-Betty Quednow; Secretary-Lu Hansen - for the 19th year; Treasurer-Jeanette Clendenning - 2nd year; Sergeant at Arms-Fran Clendenning - 4th year." |
| 4/30/1970 | Harper Lake & Environment | HARPER LAKE TO GET PUBLIC ACCESS "According to Representative Joe Sweda, the DNR has given approval for acquisition of an access to South Harper Lake in Rib Lake, Wis. In this particular instance, the approval was in the amount of \$5,000, and in accordance with the state aid law, the Town of Rib Lake shall encumber one-half of this amount in anticipation of payment of the state's share. ¶ In making this announcement, |
| 4/30/1970 | Schools | SCHOOL BOARD ELECTION CHANGES "Chapter 195, laws of 1969, require that all common school districts and union high school districts electing school board members on the date of the annual meeting, will elect school board members after July 1, 1972, at the following spring election." |
| 4/30/1970 | People | LOCAL CANCER DRIVE UNDERWAY "The 1970 cancer crusade is being conducted now, with Mrs. Bud Freeck of our local chapter. The workers are: Mrs. Elmer Radtke, Mrs. Bob Becker, Mrs. Vernon Bruegl, Mrs. Arthur Graumann, Mrs. Keith Zintz, Mrs. Rolland Thums, Mrs. Elmer Eggert, Mrs. Don Rodman, Mrs. Joe Roiger, Mrs. Bernard Cihasky, Mrs. Ed Zondlo, and Mrs. Herman Jacobs...." |
| 4/30/1970 | Obituary | JAMES NOVAK RITES "James Frank Novak, age 75, Rib Lake, passed away at the Medford Memorial Hospital on Apr. 21, 1970. ¶ Mr. Novak was born Aug. 30, 1894, in Rib Lake. On June 5, 1928, he married Amanda Eve Gessert, in Minneapolis, Minnesota, who preceded him in death on July 27 in 1967. James served in the Army during WWI, and after the war he worked as a butcher for William Gessert and later opened his own shop. Upon selling his shop, he began working at Bogumill Lockers, from there he went to Jerry Heindl's Clover Farm and was |

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| 4/30/1970 | People | POSSIBLY ABOUT YOU! "Dr. and Mrs. Dan Mathias and four sons, Green Bay, spent the weekend here with his mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Mathias. Another son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Hank Mathias, and three daughters of Burnsville, Minnesota, also visited with her from Friday until Sunday. ¶ Mrs. Charles Gummo and daughter, Ann, Wausau, came to Rib Lake Friday afternoon to get her mother, Mrs. Hannah Hess, and Mrs. Mary Kapitz, and took them to Wausau for the weekend. On Saturday evening they visited at the Ed Hess home, and helped Randy Hess celebrate his birthday. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Gummo brought them back to Rib Lake. ¶ Visiting at the Peter Bogumill home Saturday was his sister and husband, of Lublin. ¶ Theresa Hebda, Milwaukee, and Joe Hebda, St. Francis Seminary, spent the weekend here with their parents, Mr. & Mrs. Stanley Hebda. ¶ Dick Everett and son, Mike, Chicago, are spending several days here with his parents, the Art Everetts, and with his sister and family, the Stanley Hebdas. |
| 4/30/1970 (cont) | People (cont) | ¶ Visiting at the home of Mr. & Mrs. Frank Gacek Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Walter Waldhart, Abbotsford, and Mrs. Emma Viegut. ¶ Mr. Blanche Stamm returned home Monday from a 10-day visit with relatives in Superior and South Range. While there, she attended the wedding of a niece, Miss Barbara Belanger and Ed Smith. ¶ Mrs. Anna Bleck attended the Golden Wedding Anniversary of her sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Johnson, held at St. John's Lutheran Church at Cornell Saturday. The barbershop quartet from Eau Claire sang for them for their reception, Mrs. Bleck accompanied her brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Rusch, and her sister, Mrs. Walter Kuth, Milwaukee, to Cornell, and they were all dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Knon. ¶ Mr. and Mrs. Elmer |
| 4/30/1970 (cont) | People (cont) | ¶ Visitors at the Frank Zondlo home the past weekend were Mr. and Mrs. Steve Minarciny, Minneapolis, Mrs. Ben Zemick, Wausau, and Mrs. Clarence Chris and son, Jeff, of Abbotsford. ¶ Guests of Mrs. Anna Pacourek Wednesday to help her celebrate her birthday, were Mrs. Emma Viegut, Mrs. Hannah Hess, and Mrs. Vic Kohn." |
| 4/30/1970 | Spirit | TWO NICE DAIRY HERDS HAVE BEEN SOLD AT AUCTION IN THIS VICINITY THE PAST WEEK. "Lawrence Johnson's jersey herd was possibly the only one in the county, and the blood lines date back to the first jersey herd brought to this county by William Bradley before 1900. We will miss seeing them. ¶ Monday, Luddie Sommer sold his guernsey herd because of ill health. This herd comes from prize-winning cattle owned and exhibited at county fairs by Leslie Schmidt, now of Friendship, Wisconsin. ¶ A very large crowd attended the legion pancake supper on Saturday evening. Evidently people like their pancakes hot and light, with plenty of Wisconsin butter and maple syrup. ¶ More signs of spring. Motorcycles out, first practice on the ball diamond, and Lind young folks horseback riding to the Don Stolhammer home. ¶ Community card party this Friday evening, May 1, at Spirit Town Hall." |
| 5/7/1970 | Utilities | PIPE LINE COMING "The Lake Superior District Power Company has awarded the contract to construct the pipeline system to bring natural gas to Rib Lake, Wis., to Michael Pipeline. Construction will commence early this summer. ¶ The gas main will be brought to a metering and regulating station near the edge of town by Northern Natural Gas Company, where the Lake Superior District Power system begins. ¶ The pipe will be laid mostly in the alleys. As the pipe is laid, it is thoroughly inspected by representatives of Lake Superior District Power Company." |

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| 5/14/1970 | Entertainment | KEN'S HENS TAKE FIRST AT MEDFORD "A local ladies bowling team, Ken's Hens, made a trip to Medford to participate in the Medford City Ladies Tournament, and won first place on the final day. Members of the team that bowled were: Dorothy Schreiner, Diane Hilbert, Shirley Olson, Betty Ouednow and Shirley Andrae, all of Rib |
| 5/21/1970 | Schools & Education | SPELLING BEE SUCCESS "Excitement can be found in the least expected places, and so it was found last Thursday night at the Spelling Bee. Tensions were as high as any inter-scholastic basketball game, and grown-ups as well as young people had butterflies-in-the-stomach (just ask Mr. Glen Fischer, the principal of the junior high school.) From the very beginning, it promised to be an eventful evening; it started out with 33 contestants to a packed house (nearly 200 people reported to be in attendance), even though it was raining. ¶ The first round went routinely, those that were "downed" were out mostly because of mis-speaking or panic or fright of the mike, which caused them to goof up on a word they knew as well as their own name. But the rules of the contest are very, very strict, and every contestant knew it, and they were exceptionally good sports! It was obvious at the end of the 5th On to the list of words taken from the championship words from the National Bee; still two contestants remained through such words as tachygraphy, exegesis, peristalsis, indices, stertorus, opthalmic, interregnum, anschluss, and so forth. On the second last word in the championship list, the pronouncer hit the panic button again...a list of words that she had not seen or had a chance to study had to be used....this list was Famous Last Words and very near the end of that list a winner was produced. After a real battle of wits between Billy Rezutek and Stephanie Meyer, both 5th graders. Stephanie Meyer was finally declared the winner! Billy Rezutek is the son of the Julius Rezuteks, and Stephanie Meyer is the daughter of Rev. and Mrs. John Meyer. Both are students of Mrs. Curtis ¶ Between the first and second half of the Bee, the music students of Mrs. Clarence Mielke gave a wholesome musical program. It was refreshing to hear America sung by John Eisner, and Danny Schneider sing We Cross the Prairies; as well as the many inspirational and jolly numbers done by trios, sextets, and choruses of young people in delightful, resonant voices! There were 55 students participating in the intermission program. ¶ This was the first |
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| 5/21/1970 | Highways & Environment | SCENIC EASEMENT FOR HIGHWAY 13 "To say "beauty is in the eye of the beholder" doesn't do much to define beauty, but a committee of the highway employees not only has to decide what constitutes beauty, they also have to set a price on it. ¶ The committee is the Scenic Easement Site Selection Group, and many of the lovely views you see while driving Wisconsin highways are a direct result of the program they administer. ¶ The Site Selection Committee includes a highway right-of-way agent, a design engineer, a landscape specialist, and a maintenance engineer. ¶ The Wisconsin Scenic Easement program is one of the oldest in the nation, the purposes are often misunderstood. Basically, a scenic easement is simply a property owner not to spoil the view. ¶ Easements vary from just a few feet to several hundred yards, and in this area the landowner may not do certain things, such as |

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| 5/21/1970 (cont) | Highways & Environment (cont) | Other usage of the land, such as harvesting marketable timber, agricultural uses continue as before the easement was purchased, and the owner may permit limited residential development in most cases. ¶ More than 1,450 areas have been protected by purchasing scenic easements on some 16,700 acres of land along 300 miles of highway in 55 counties...In Taylor County, scenic easements have been negotiated to protect views on Highway 13 between Highway 102 and the north county line near Westboro. ¶ Some of the most important acquisitions are mere slivers of land between a highway and a river or a lake. By purchasing the easement, the state has assured the motorists that no dumps will develop, billboards will not be placed between him and the view, or clusters of shacks will not line the shores. The views are as diverse as Wisconsin itself. Some people like a solid wall of trees, while others |
| 5/28/1970 | Physicians & People | CARDS OF THANKS "A baby boy, Kurt, arrived at the Kenneth Mannel home, weighing 9 pounds on May 22, 1970. He joins two sisters and two brothers. ¶ We would like to give special thanks to Dr. S.F. Hesse, who came to our home and delivered our little boy. This proved to be one of the most wonderful and rewarding experiences our family could share. Also many thanks to our friends who came with gifts and food. ¶ It is all greatly appreciated. ¶ May God bless you all. Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Mannel and family." |
| 5/28/1970 | Spirit | SPIRIT LEGION NEWS "Spirit Legion Auxiliary met Thursday evening, May 14, at the Spirit Town Hall. ¶ Plans were made for the Memorial Day program. The folks from near and far always use this day for the annual homecoming. Since there will not be any school picnics this year, we hope this will take the place of them. ¶ A firing squad will meet at the Knox Lutheran Church at 8:30 a.m. to decorate the veterans' graves there. Some fellows will take part in the ceremonies in Rib Lake. The rest will help the ladies get ready for the dinner to be served at the town hall. ¶ The Prentice band will take part in the program this year. Edwin Blomberg is to be the speaker. Children of the community will present several recitations. ¶ There will be a public dance at the town hall |
| 5/28/1970 (cont) | Spirit (cont) | ¶ A donation has been sent to the Leeland Olsen family at Prentice. ¶ The June meeting will be the election of officers. Henry Schilling has been Commander for the past two years, and doing a good job, even though he has missed the regular meeting since working the second shift at Prentice." |
| 6/11/1970 | Post Office | POST OFFICE TO DISCONTINUE SALE OF SAVINGS STAMPS "The Rib Lake Post Office will discontinue sale of U.S. Savings Stamps after June 30, Postmaster Verl Bokath reminded customers today. The Treasury Department had announced in February that they were ending the sale of these stamps by the end of the fiscal year. ¶ Postmaster Verl Bokath urged students and others to complete their unfilled stamp albums prior to June 30 and exchange them for US Savings Bonds. "There is no better way for young people to save," Postmaster Verl Bokath said, "than buying and holding US Savings Bonds." The stamps can also be redeemed for cash at any post office. ¶ The stamps - ranging in value from 10 cents to \$4 - were part of the postal savings program prior to 1942, when |

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| 6/11/1970 | Clubs/Orders | 4-H CLUB DOINGS "The meeting of the Lucky Lakers 4-H Club was called to order by President Mary Hanke Thursday evening, May 21. Pledges to both flags were said. Roll call was taken by naming one's favorite fruit. The secretary and treasurer's reports were read. ¶ A report on what to do for the three churches was given by Donna Misener. We decided to pick flowers for each church - one Sunday later in the summer. Mary Carroll reported on the county demonstration contest, which was held at Medford on May 9. Mary and Ellen Carroll, Bernadette Becker and Stephanie Meyer participated in the contest from our club. ¶ Mrs. Meyer read us the judge's evaluation form for our participation in the county music festival. Mrs. Bokath informed us about the progress of the Slow Moving Vehicle Project. She also notified us of project meetings and other future 4-H events. ¶ Those wishing to ¶ A program on bicycle safety will be featured at our next meeting. All those who want to are to make posters on bicycle safety and bring them to the meeting. ¶ Demonstrations were given as follows: Ellen Carroll - making instant pudding; Stephanie Meyer - homemade musical instrument; Mary Melaski - household hints; and Donna Misener - identifying the parts of a dog. Donna was ably assisted in her demonstration by her dog, Taffy. ¶ Lunch |
| 6/11/1970 (cont) | Clubs/Orders (cont) | |
| 6/18/1970 | Railroad - Wis. Central | WESTBORO DEPOT RAZED "The spot that the Westboro depot has occupied for many years will soon be vacant as a crew of men dismantled the old building, marking the end of an era so important to the development of this area. Workers involved in the removal of this building, and also the Ogema depot, are: Oscar Seidel, Lawrence Tlusty, Dick Lanke, Dave Kuse, Don Tlusty, Gerome Tlusty, Vern Sulko and James Tlusty. It is planned to remove the Ogema depot by truck." |
| 6/25/1970 | Rib Lake Herald & Businesses | ALPINE ADVERTISING, INC., SELLS THE HERALD TO OGEMA MAN "Negotiations to sell The Herald were finalized last Friday, June 19. Alpine Advertising, Inc., has sold the Rib Lake Herald to Laurie T. Carlson of Ogema, who has a great interest in the development of this area, and has been voicing this interest through a monthly publication of his own, titled "Top of Wisconsin," for some time now. Mr. Carlson feels that through the news media, he will be able to accomplish a great deal more for the area, this being the reason that he was greatly interested in The Herald. Mr. Carlson is a family man, he and his wife have four children. Mr. Carlson is also very active in the American Legion, Ogema Area Development Corporation, District 3 Prentice Board of Education, and the First Lutheran Church of Ogema. ¶ Transfer of ownership shall be effective on July 1. Vicki Voight and Pat |

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| 6/25/1970 | Rib Lake Fish & Game Assoc. | FISH & GAME MEETING HELD "A special meeting of the Rib Lake Fish & Game Assoc. was held Monday at the library meeting room. ¶ Frank Yanko, chairman of the muskie rearing program, reported that 1,500, 2-1/2" muskies from the Spooner Hatchery had been planted in the Tannery Pond this past week. ¶ A report on the progress of the wayside on Highway 102, three miles east of the village, was given by Butch Ward and Ed Martin, co-chairmen on this project. The Green Thumb men will be working there this week. ¶ There are three charcoal grills, five picnic tables, and two toilets in the rest area. Signs giving regulations have been ordered and will be installed in the near future. ¶ The Club wishes to inform the public that this is a joint project of the Fish & Game Assoc. and the Town of Rib Lake. This is strictly a rest area and overnight camping grounds and open fires will not be permitted." |
| 7/2/1970 | People & Businesses | WANT ADS "Wanted: pine snakes, 5 feet or over, \$1 a foot. Call Dan Dillon, 767-3400." |
| 7/16/1970 | Schools | LOCAL DISTRICT OFFERING SUMMER SCHOOL PROGRAM "The local school district, as part of the year's program funded by Title One of the elementary and secondary education act, is offering a 6-week summer session for children of the district. The program is geared to the needs of those children who need additional help in the fields of language arts and mathematics. To round out the program, projects are developed in the field of art, and the children are taken on field trips to places of interest around the area. The field trips enhance the child's social and cultural contacts, and are well received by the children. ¶ Two sites are being used this summer, one being the Clearview School in the Village of Rib Lake, and the other the Westboro Elementary School at Westboro. In |
| 7/16/1970 (cont) | Schools (cont) | ¶ The students are divided into small groups of 7-9 children, under the direction of one teacher, where individual attention can be maintained. There are 8 teachers and 4 teacher's aides working in the summer program this year. Transportation is provided for those children who need that service in order to take part in the program. ¶ The students have toured the Central Wisconsin Airport, Rib Hill, and Aqualand so far this summer, and if plans can be finalized, they may be able to get in a train ride yet this summer. The trips provide a high-interest factor for the children. ¶ Progress of the children is closely charted, and previous summer sessions have shown significant gains can be made by the children, which have a definite carry-over into their regular school year. The close relationship |

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| 7/23/1970 | People | PREMEAU-TLUSTY EXCHANGE VOWS "Susan Lee Premeau, Westboro, became the bride of Wayne George Tlusty, in a 3:00 p.m. ceremony on July 18 at St. Theresa's Catholic Church in Westboro. ¶ The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edmund L. Premeau, and the groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. George Tlusty, Rib Lake. ¶ The bride was given away by her mother in a ceremony conducted by Fr. Conway. ¶ The groom attended Rib Lake public schools, and went to college at WSU-Stevens Point, and the University of Wisconsin in Madison. He also received a Bachelor of Science degree in landscape architecture at the Graduate School of Design, Harvard University, in Boston, Massachusetts. He will be conducting a regional planning study with a Canadian firm in Calgary, Alberta, Canada, and is presently employed as a landscape architect. ¶ The bride attended Westboro public schools, and received a Bachelor of Science degree in primary education at WSU-Stevens Point in 1968. She taught kindergarten in the Wausau public school system for two years..." |
| 7/30/1970 | Schools | ANNUAL SCHOOL MEETING "115 electors turned out for the annual school meeting Monday, July 27, where business was transacted pertaining to 1970-71 school year. A budget was approved calling for expenditures of \$159,951, with receipts of \$358,377.79, which called for a levy of \$201,573.28. ¶ The electorate approved the election of board members at the spring election starting in 1971, rather than wait for the law to take effect in 1972. Also approved were the setting of \$3 per pupil book deposit at both the junior and senior high schools, setting a 180- |
| 7/30/1970 (cont) | Schools (cont) | ¶ Incumbent board members were re-elected to the board for three-year terms. They were Vernon Hanke, Roger Johnson and Andy Holzl. Others nominated were Ken Hilbert, Rolland Thums and Carl Scheidow. The voting results were Hanke 91, Johnson 71, Holzl 68, Hilbert 56, Thums 47, Scheidow 10. ¶ The board in a regular meeting after the annual meeting elected the same officers in 1970-71 school year, namely Wilbert Blomberg, president. |
| 8/6/1970 | Schools & Rib Lake Herald | VIEWS FROM THE TOP OF WISCONSIN [An editorial] "School consolidation has been pushed in this area for the last 20 years. We have complied in every instance with enemies being made on both sides, which take years to cure. ¶ Every time we consolidate, the state department (of public education) re-evaluates, raises the standards, and you're all set to consolidate again. ¶ Now they're pushing for one administrative unit for Phillips and Prentice, and one for Rib Lake and Medford. Of course, one administrative unit looks innocent enough, but you can be sure it would only be the forerunning of a huge building program after things quieted down. ¶ We don't think the money saved in one administrative unit is worth what would be lost to us as a people, and less individual voice. ¶ Large |
| 8/6/1970 (cont) | Schools & Rib Lake Herald (cont) | ¶ District #3 (of Prentice) comprises 402 square miles, and instead of the state pushing school consolidation, we believe the effort should be directed at disbursing industry from the cities to our area, which would solve our school enrollment problems, and also the congestion problems in the city. The valuation behind each child in our area would increase to when state aid would no longer be necessary here. ¶ We think school consolidation is being pushed because it's easier to do than disburse industry or build up small communities. ¶ Our belief is that when a large school and a small school agree to have one administrative unit, the outcome is eventual complete domination by the larger school over the small one. Small schools have everything to lose in this setup, and nothing to gain. ¶ If |

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| 8/6/1970 (cont) | Schools & Rib Lake Herald (cont) | ¶ We are, however, opposed to more consolidation for some time to come so we can have the time to make the effort which would get more people to settle here. ¶ At their 1970 convention, the Wisconsin School Boards Association adopted a Rib Lake-sponsored resolution stating that in any further consolidation, the area being considered with enrollment, because of the large land areas covered by our district. ¶ We commend the Rib Lake Board for this move in the right direction. ¶ Let's hold the line." |
| 8/13/1970 | Utilities | DUMP ORDINANCE, TOWN OF GREENWOOD "The town board of the Town of Greenwood does hereby ordain as follows: ¶ Section 1: dumping in the Town of Greenwood dump, located northeast-southeast, Section 29, 2 East, is strictly limited to ordinary household garbage and refuse, and is for the use of the residents of Greenwood only. Dumping of non-household items, such as old car bodies, dead animals, stumps, brush, boulders and any other items that would impede the ordinary operation and sanitary condition of the dump is strictly prohibited. ¶ Section 2: any person found guilty of violating this ordinance shall pay a forfeiture of not less than \$10 nor more than \$50, together with the cost of prosecution, and upon failure to pay such forfeiture and costs, shall serve not to exceed 10 days in the common jail of Taylor County. ¶ Dated and passed by the Town Board this 22nd day of June, 1970. Signed Town of Greenwood, signed Henry J. Gebauer, Chairman; Robert Frombach, clerk; Frank Matyka, supervisor; George Gojmerac, supervisor." |
| 8/13/1970 | Rib Lake Herald | THE HERALD "Serving northern Taylor and southern Price Counties, Volume 73, #34, published in Rib Lake, Wisconsin, August 13, 1970, price 10 cents." |
| 8/20/1970 | Spirit & Entertainment | SPIRIT-HILL-OGEMA 4-H FAIR "On Saturday, August 15, the 28th annual Spirit-Hill-Ogema 4-H fair was held at the Spirit Town Hall. There were 35 Lucky Lakers, 21 Hill-Billys, 16 Wilson Workers, 12 Busy Beavers, 18 Happy Hobos, and 24 Prentice Pioneers participating in the day's events. ¶ During the morning, cattle judging was the |

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| 8/27/1970 | Obituary & Spirit | ARTHUR JOHNSON "Arthur Johnson, age 82, Spirit, passed away August 18, 1970, at Sacred Heart Hospital in Tomahawk, where he had been a patient since Aug. 12. ¶ Services were held for Mr. Johnson Aug. 21, at 2:00 p.m. at the Spirit United Methodist Church, with the Rev. Neal Koenig officiating, with interment following at the Hillcrest Cemetery in Spirit. ¶ Arthur Johnson was born Feb. 22, 1888, at Spirit, Wisconsin, and on Dec. 30, 1922, he married Olga Nelson in Tomahawk. He is a veteran of WWI, and lived in the Spirit area all of his life. He was a member of the Price County Board of Supervisors for 25 years, chairman of the Spirit Town Board for 29 years, Mr. Johnson was a respected member of the Wisconsin Electric Co-op; he helped to organize the soil conservation district, and also organized and was the first commander of the Spirit Legion Post, the Phillips Chapter 225, a member of the A.F.& A.M. and Eastern Star Chapter 154. He was also a member of the Spirit United Methodist Church and the Men's Club. Surviving Mr. Johnson are two children, Carol, Mrs. Robert Harsch, of Skokie |
| 8/27/1970 (cont) | Obituary & Spirit (cont) | |
| 8/27/1970 | Church - Catholic - St. John the Baptist | NEW PASTOR "The Rev. Richard Girt, C.P.P.S., Chaplain of St. Agnes Hospital, Fond du Lac, Wis. Since 1964, will take on his new assignment at St. John's Church at Rib Lake, Wis., as pastor, effective date of Aug. 27, this year. He was ordained a priest at Carthagen, Ohio, May 18, 1952. In subsequent years, he was Assistant Pastor, successively, at St. Edward Church, Cleveland, Ohio, St. Mary's Church, Flint, Michigan, Our Lady of the Holy Rosary, Dayton, Ohio, and at Black Stone, Virginia. He left the later billet to take on the position of Dean of Men at the Society of St. Joseph College, Rensselaer, Indiana, for a period of two years. In 1964, he became chaplain at the Fond du Lac Hospital, until his present assignment as pastor at Rib Lake. ¶ The Society of the Precious Blood, mission society of some 550 priests and brothers in the USA, was founded in 1815 by a young priest, St. Gasperdel Bufalo, whom Pope John, XXIII, called "Father of Catholic Action." The group is now active in almost every phase of the Apostolate, including missions in Chile and Peru.." |
| 8/27/1970 | Obituary & Rusch | PETER BECK "Peter Beck, 85, of Rib Lake, Wisconsin, passed away at Memorial Hospital in Medford, Wis. Aug. 21, 1970. ¶ Services were held at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church on Monday, Aug. 24, 1970, at 10:00 a.m., with Fr. Werner Hemmelgarn officiating. Pallbearers were Ronald Rusch, Neal Habeck, Gordon Roseland, Herbert Scheithauer, Stanley Rezudek, Elwood Bleck. Interment followed at Lakeview Cemetery, Rib Lake. The body lay in state at the Mannel Funeral in Rib Lake. ¶ Mr. Beck was born on Apr. 24, 1885, in Boscar, Austria-Hungary. On Nov. 25, 1906, he married Katherine Brunner, also of Boscar, Austria-Hungary. They came to the USA in 1907, settling in Chicago, Illinois. They then moved to Little Falls, Minnesota, and later returned to Chicago, where they lived for 11 years, before moving to the Rib Lake area, where they remained. He was affiliated with the Catholic Church. |
| 8/27/1970 (cont) | Obituary & Rusch (cont) | ¶ Mr. Beck is survived by his wife, Katherine, and two daughters, Mrs. Carl (Catherine) Scheidow of Rib Lake; and Mrs. Elmer (Barbara) Radtke, also of Rib Lake; one daughter-in-law, Mrs. Ruth Beck, of Burlington, Vermont; 24 grandchildren, and 19 great-grandchildren; and a sister, Mrs. Margaret Schneider of Chicago, Illinois. ¶ Mr. Beck was also preceded in death by one son and three sisters." |

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| 8/27/1970 | Clubs/Orders | CO-OP PICNIC "A Labor Day picnic will be held on Sunday, Sept. 6, at the Co-op Park at Somo Lake. The picnic is being sponsored by the Cooperatives in the Tripoli and Brantwood area, and the other Brantwood Co-op, Service Station, Clifford Co-op, Brantwood Co-op Dairy Association, and the Co-op Park Association at Somo Lake. ¶ This will be a family-style picnic, beginning at 10:00 a.m., and will be an all-day affair. ¶ An old fashioned chicken stew, with all the trimmings, will be served at 12:00 noon. The stew will be cooked in a huge iron kettle, holding enough stew to serve 300 people. The committee in charge of the food urges that people desiring to partake of the |
| 9/3/1970 | People & Rusch | ENGAGEMENT "Mrs. Rose Hohl, Rib Lake, announces the engagement of her daughter, Patricia, to Richard Gilge, son of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Gilge, Rib Lake. Miss Hohl is a 1967 graduate of Rib Lake High School, and is currently attending Eau Claire State University, where she is a senior in the school of education. Her fiance graduated from Rib Lake High School in 1966 and is presently attending the Technical Institute at Eau Claire. |
| 9/17/1970 | RLLC & Education | RIB LAKE "Lumberjacks sit beside the Rib ¶ Their legs may falter but their tongues are glib, ¶ They tell their stories, some true, part fib, ¶ Of all that lies at the bottom of the Rib. ¶ The heart of the cracker-barrel crowd, ¶ Once skilled loggers, restless and proud, ¶ They remember Rib "so solid with timber, ¶ You could walk across it if you were limber." ¶ From day to day the tall tales grow, ¶ So much happened here years ago, ¶ Just how many men, cats and dogs, ¶ And boys who played in the water-soaked logs? ¶ "Remember when Edel's unruly kid, ¶ Was skipping logs until down he slid, ¶ Using the short-cut over the lake, ¶ They never found him, according to Jake." ¶ So much is buried on its mucky floor, ¶ No one bothered to keep a score, ¶ "Oh, now and then a log pops out, ¶ But the rest has vanished, there's no doubt." ¶ Now the mill stack was tumbled down, ¶ It's the last of the landmarks in our town, ¶ Once towering 200 feet into the sky, ¶ And lumberjacks feel the years go by. ¶ Signed Star Powers, Rib Lake." |
| 9/24/1970 | Agriculture & Clubs/Orders | ANNUAL MEETING OF PURE MILK PRODUCTS CO-OP HELD SEPT. 16 "The Rib Lake, Westboro Local Chapter annual marketing was kicked off with a delicious, Swiss steak supper, at the Chelsea Conservation Club the evening of Sept. 16. ¶ President of the local chapter, Roy Meier, led it off with the table prayer, and after the meal, acted as Master of Ceremonies. ¶ Dave Zimmermann, District Representative, gave a run-down on the financial status of the cooperative. Pure Milk Co-op turned back 20% of their earnings to the farmers in cash this year, and kept 80% in equity. They have revolved all capital up to the year 1958, which is considered very good, and farmers do realize more money by belonging and shipping through an organization such as this. ¶ President of Pure Milk Co-op, Paul Affeldt, was the main speaker, explaining what the Co-op is trying to do for the membership. ¶ He stated that farmers should be setting aside a small percent of their check in a fund that would guarantee members milk checks in case dairy plants fail. |

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| 9/24/1970 (cont) | Agriculture & Clubs/Orders (cont) | ¶ There should be a tax on imports from countries subsidizing those exports. Of course, imports should be limited to protect the American farmer from inferior products from foreign countries, whose standards are not up to ours. ¶ The Co-op is working for the elimination of the personal property tax. It has tried to keep the brucellosis vaccination program alive so there would be no chance of a flare-up. ¶ Mr. Affeldt had some interesting comments on pollution. He said "That within 3 years farmers would have to have manure in a silo or stacked, and that when spread, you would have to plow it down within a matter of hours. This is the thing that will knock out the small farmers that are left, if I am any judge at all." ¶ Last year 16,000 farmers quit farming, and that today, the State of Wisconsin has only 60,646 farmers left. These farmers are producing more dairy products, however, than before, so the American people are still the best fed people in the world, even with fewer farmers supplying the food..." |
| 9/24/1970 | Westboro & Clubs/Orders | WESTBORO TOWN AND COUNTRY "The circle of Lutheran Ladies Aid met Wednesday, Sept. 16, at the home of Mrs. Ruth Pipkorn. ¶ The Friendly 50 club met at the Westboro school cafeteria Tuesday afternoon, with Mr. Lindert from Social Security Dept. as guest speaker. Mr. and Mrs. Herman Batzer from Rib Lake, and Mr. Thut, Chelsea, attended. Mr. Laatz will be guest speaker at the next meeting, October 15. He will speak on homestead act refund. ¶ The Homemakers Club met Tuesday evening and decided to discontinue meetings due to lack of interest." |
| 10/1/1970 | Obituary & Greenwood | JOHN H. DUMS "John H. Dums, Sr., of rural Rib Lake, passed away at his home Sept. 26, 1970, at the age of 80 years. ¶ The funeral services will be held at St. Ann's Catholic Church, Greenwood. ¶ Interment will be held at St. Ann's Catholic Cemetery. ¶ Fr. Thomas Conway of Westboro will officiate. ¶ Mr. Dums lived his entire life in the Town of Greenwood, where he operated a dairy farm and worked as a woodsman. He was a former assessor for the Town of Greenwood, also a former member of the Highland School Board. ¶ Mr. Dums married Margaret Kolecheck Oct. 30, 1917. ¶ He is survived by his wife Margaret, and 8 children, Bernard, Joseph, Donald, all of Route 1, Rib Lake; John, Jr., of Medford; Regina, Mrs. Louis Czerniak, Westboro; Helen, Rib Lake, and Mrs. Lloyd |
| 10/1/1970 | Obituary | SOPHIE F. BLOMBERG "Sophie F. Blomberg passed away at the Golden Age Home, Rib Lake, on Sept. 22, 1970, at the age of 85. ¶ The funeral will take place at the Ogema Baptist Church. Burial will be held in the Garden of Memories Cemetery, Town of Hill, with the Rev. Lowell Anderson officiating. ¶ Mrs. Blomberg was born Mar. 28, 1885, at Spirit. ¶ She was preceded in death by her husband, Mr. Carl Blomberg, who passed away Sept. 24, 1954, also two children. ¶ There are four children surviving, Harold Blomberg, Route 1, Ogema; Henry Blomberg, Ogema; Robert Blomberg, St. Paul, Minnesota; Doris, Mrs. Everart Johnson, Sandy, Oregon.." |

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| 10/8/1970 | Rib Lake Herald | STATEMENT OF OWNERSHIP, MANAGEMENT AND CIRCULATION 1. Date of filing, Oct. 1, 1970. ¶ 2. Title of Publication: The Herald. ¶ 3. Frequency of issue of column: weekly. ¶ 4. Location of known office of publication: 809 McComb Ave., Rib Lake, Wis. 54470. ¶ 5. Name and addresses of publisher, editor, and managing editor: L.T. Carlson, Ogema, Wis. 54459. ¶ 6. Owner: L.T. Carlson, Ogema, Wis. ¶ 7. Known bond holders, mortgagees and other security holders owning or holding 1% or more of total amount of bonds, mortgages or other securities: Eugene Clifford, Rib Lake, Wis.; Alpine Advertising Agency, Medford, Wis. ¶ 8. Extent and nature of circulation: A. Total number of copies printed, 1,200. ¶ B. Paid circulation, sales through dealers, county sale carriers and street vendors, 25. ¶ C. Mail subscriptions, 1,016. ¶ D. Office use, leftover, unaccounted, spoiled after printing, 129. ¶ E. Total, sum of A, F should equal net press run shown A. 1,200. ¶ I certify that the statements made by me above are correct and complete. Signed Laurie T. Carlson." |
| 10/8/1970 | Clubs/Orders | 4-H CLUB DOINGS "This week, Oct. 4-10, is National 4-H Club week. In honor of this, members of Lucky Lakers 4-H Club have arranged a display in the window of Upjohn's Drug Store....In Taylor County there are about 500 4-H members. The Lucky Lakers, a Rib Lake club, has a membership of 57 for this, its first year in existence. Meetings are held once each month in one of the three local church buildings. The club members and leaders are deeply grateful to members of the three congregations for their generosity...¶ 4-H clubs and 4-H type organizations are found in many sections of the world. 4-H is the fourth letter of the alphabet, and the extension of the United States with |
| 10/15/1970 10/15/1970 (cont) | Businesses Businesses (cont) | WOODCRAFT FINISHES, INC., OF MERRILL PURCHASES RIB LAKE INDUSTRIAL BLDG. "Another industry for Rib Lake was assured last Saturday, when the Village Board of Trustees approved leasing of the village-owned industrial building to Woodcraft Finishes, Merrill. ¶ The proposed lease has been under study by the board and the Rib Lake Industrial Foundation for several weeks. ¶ The lease of the 2-story concrete building, originally a part of the old Rib Lake Tannery, will be for a period of 5 years, with the Merrill based firm to receive free rental for the first three years, as an inducement to locate here. ¶ The firm, in which two brothers, Don and Rolland ¶ Raymond Thums, village attorney, prepared the lease and agreement, and it was approved by the attorney for the Merrill men. The village will provide the heat and electrical wiring - the firm will supply its own machinery and equipment, which will include spraying booths, ventilation and other material used in production. ¶ Contacts were being made Monday with heating and electrical contractors in order that work may be completed as soon as possible. ¶ Don Taylor, president of the firm, has been checking on local residential property which may be for sale or lease, as he expected to move here with his family shortly. ¶ The Taylor brothers started their operation several years ago at Shiocton, and last June, in an effort to move the business "closer to the tree," set up operations in the |

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| 10/15/1970 (cont) | Clubs/Orders (cont) | No doubt you have heard that there may be a Junior Club organized in Rib Lake. This is true! ¶ The challenge to the Twentieth Century Club on its 70th anniversary will be to help organize and promote a federated junior women's club. Much success to you, Twentieth Century Club ladies, in your continued constructive endeavors - and success to you too you junior women whoever you may be for snatching up the torch of service in our community |
| 10/15/1970 | | BITS FROM BRANTWOOD "Waino Komula's were Tomahawk haulers Monday and en route home stopped at Somo Lake to visit with relatives. Mrs. Toivo Korpela of Tripoli, and Mrs. Ida Heinkenen and Mrs. Selma Hautala visited Monday in Tomahawk with Mrs. Aleena Palmquist and Selma Keto at Sacred Heart Hospital. Mr. and Mrs. Vannix also visited with Mrs. A. Palmquist...." |
| 10/15/1970 | Obituary | ANNA MARY DYRCZ "Mrs. Mary Anna Dyrz, 85, passed away Oct. 10, 1970, at Holy Cross Hospital of Chicago, Illinois. ¶ The funeral will be held Oct. 14, 1970, at 10:00 a.m. at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, with the Fr. Richard Girt officiating. Interment will be at Lakeview Cemetery. The body will lie in state at the Mannel Funeral Home, Rib Lake. A rosary will be held at 10:00 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 13. ¶ Mrs. Dyrz was born May 6, 1885, in Poland. She came to this country with her first husband, Mr. Frank Synol, who preceded her in death. After her marriage to Stanley Dyrz in 1916, they settled in Rib Lake. Mr. Dyrz and one grandson, Kenneth Synol, also preceded her death. Mrs. Dyrz is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Alvin Cole, Chicago, Illinois, two sons, Joseph Dyrz, Rib Lake; and Walter Synol, Rib Lake; 14 grandchildren, 9 great-grandchildren, 1 brother, Louis Pudlick of Minneapolis, Minnesota." |
| 10/15/1970 | Obituary & Greenwood | JOHN PAGEL "John Fred Pagel, 88, died Tuesday at the Golden Age Nursing Home in Rib Lake, where he had resided the past two years.¶ Funeral services were held at Immanuel Evangelical Lutheran Church, Medford, the Rev. Marvin Zank officiating, and burial took place at Evergreen Cemetery. ¶ The body lay in state at the Ruesch Funeral Home. ¶ Grandsons Les Laub, Don Schreiner, Russell and Norman Wudi, Norman Blasel and Harvey Peche served as pallbearers. ¶ Mr. Pagel was born Sept. 4, 1882, at Romeo, Michigan. His marriage to Anna Liebenau took place Feb. 29, 1907, in the Town of Greenwood. The couple farmed in the Town of Greenwood until their retirement in 1945, when they moved to the City of Medford....Surviving, along with his wife, are four daughters, Theresa, Mrs. Gottlieb Peche, Town of Greenwood; Christine, Mrs. Anton Wudi; and Esther, Mrs. Lawrence Schreiner, both of Rib Lake; and Estelle, Mrs. Lester Laub of Medford; and one son, Martin, Town of Holway..." |

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| 10/22/1970 | Hunting | BEAR HUNTING STATISTICS "State hunters bagged 523 black bear during the 23-day early bear season that ended Oct. 4, reports Edward C. Thompson, director of Fish, Game Enforcement for the North Central district. ¶ In 1968, a similar season yielded 428 black bear, while in 1969 the early harvest was 552 animals. Late reports from registration stations might raise the 1970 count to 523 bear by a few animals. ¶ Ralph Lanich of Wausaukee has taken his 5th bear in 9 years. The bear's dressed weight was 450 pounds the day after it had been killed. Describing his bear as "lean but large," Lanich believes the bruin's skull measurements will rank among the state's large bear. ¶ Lanich hunts in the vicinity of a large corn field, without the aid of dogs or baiting stations. His previous bears were |
| 10/22/1970 | Agriculture | MILK PRODUCTS RELEASE "A record blend price for Grade A milk delivered to plants in Chicago, order 30, will be paid for September. The uniform price of \$5.36 per hundred in the base zone is up by 17 cents, both from last month and from a year ago, as computed by Federal Order Market officials. ¶ The Pure Milk Products Cooperative officials attributed the price gain to higher Class 1 and Class 2 federal order prices, and to a higher utilization of fluid milk, reflecting, particularly, the re-opening of schools. ¶ The Class 1 (bottling) price for September was \$5.87, up 7 cents; and Class 2, or surplus manufacturing price, was \$4.66..." |
| 12/3/1970 | Utilities & Rib Lake - Village | SPECIAL GAS EDITION "Formal gas line opening ceremonies took place Nov. 24, 1970, in the Village of Rib Lake. One more step forward in the progress of the north country." |
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| 12/3/1970 | Harper Lake | HARPER LAKE RESORT "Now open, Dix-Inn at Harper Lake Resort. Good drinks, peanuts in the shell - completely remodeled - Dorothy and Ed Dixon." |
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| 12/3/1970 (cont) | Harper Lake (cont) | |
| 12/10/1970 | Obituary | FLOSSIE BELLE WALLACE "Flossie Belle Wallace, age 86, Rib Lake, passed away at Sacred Heart Hospital, Tomahawk, Wis. Dec. 6, 1970. ¶ The funeral took place Dec. 9, at the United Methodist Church, Rib Lake. Burial took place at Lakeview Cemetery, with the Rev. Henry Bahrenbrug, Medford, officiating. The body lay in state at Mannel Funeral Home, Rib Lake. ¶ Flossie Belle (Paige) Wallace was born Mar. 15, 1884, in Colby. On March 9, 1903, she married Guy Wallace. She moved to Rib Lake with her parents about 1899. After her marriage, they made their home in Rib Lake. ¶ Mrs. Wallace is survived by one daughter, Naida, Mrs. George Straub, Rib Lake; two sons, Lester (Pipe) Wallace, Saukville, Wis.; Richard (Dick) Wallace, Byron, Illinois. ¶ Her husband, 10 brothers and sisters, preceded her in death." |
| 12/24/1970 | Obituary | HENRY EDWARD ROSENFELDT "Henry Edward Rosenfeldt, age 85, of Rib Lake, passed away at Memorial Hospital, Medford, Dec. 20, 1970. ¶ The funeral was held Dec. 23, at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, Rib Lake. Burial took place at Lakeview Cemetery, with Fr. Richard Girt officiating...Mr. Rosenfeldt worked as a brakeman for the Soo Line Railroad. ¶ Mr. Rosenfeldt moved to Ashland with his mother in 1893, then moved to Rib Lake about 1908. He worked as a brakeman for the Soo Line Railroad, and then for the RLLC. About 1919, he was employed by the Wisconsin Central Railroad Company, a job he held until retiring in 1966. ¶ He was former village assessor, and president of the Fish & Game Association. He was also a former member of the Lakeview Cemetery Association, as well as a member of the Catholic Church and Brotherhood of Railroad Train Men. ¶ |

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| 12/24/1970 | Obituary | WILLIAM A. JARCHOW "William L.(sic) Jarchow, 78, Town of Greenwood, passed away at Memorial Hospital on Dec. 18. ¶ The funeral took place Dec. 21, at St. Peter's Lutheran Church, Greenwood. The Rev. G.A. Fuerstenau, Goodrich, Wis., officiated. ¶ William was born in Iowa, Jan. 1, 1882. In 1918 he married Hannah Scheithauer at Whittlesey Lutheran Church. He moved to the Rib Lake area with his parents when he was 4 years old, and has lived and worked in the area all of his life. ¶ Mr. Jarchow is survived by his wife, Hannah, 4 daughters and 2 sons: Viola, Mrs. Emanuel Scholz, Town of Greenwood; Esther, Mrs. Joseph Judnic, Rib Lake; Myrtle, Mrs. Henry Gebauer, Town of Greenwood; Helen, Mrs. Henry Weigl, Rib Lake; sons: Alvin Jarchow, South Milwaukee; Clifford, Town of Greenwood..." |
| 12/24/1970 | Obituary | ELLEN ANNA RHODY "Ellen Anna Rhody, 80, Route 1, Ogema (Spirit) passed away Dec. 13, 1970, at Sacred Heart Hospital, Tomahawk. The funeral took place Dec. 17, at Zion Lutheran Church, Spirit. Burial was held at the Hillcrest Cemetery, Spirit. The Rev. John Meyer, Rib Lake, officiated. ¶ Mrs. Rhody was born Sept. 30, 1890, in Phillips, Wis.; her maiden name was Ellen Meier. On Sept. 15, 1909, she married Henry Rhody. After her marriage, they farmed on a farm now owned by their son, Harvey. About 1948, they moved into the house across from Zion Lutheran Church in Spirit. ¶ Mrs. Rhody is survived by two daughters and five sons, Myallie, Mrs. Harry Koenen, Rialo, California; Grace, Mrs. Ralph (tape ended - new tape started later) sons: Carl, Harvey and Harold of Spirit, |
| 12/31/1970 | Obituary | CHARLES CLENDENNING "We are sorry to hear of the death of Charles Clendenning, a long-time resident of Rib Lake. Mr. Clendenning (55) passed away suddenly at his home on Dec. 29 in the morning. The complete obituary will appear at a later date." |
| 12/31/1970 | Hunting | TAYLOR COUNTY EXTENSION OFFICE "The trapping season for beaver opens Jan. 3, 1971, and it continues through Mar. 31. Otter trapping is open from Jan. 3 to Jan. 31. ¶ Bag limits are as follows: beaver 35 and otter 1. This year, there will be an additional open season for trapping muskrats, concurrent with the beaver season, and with no bag limit...¶ Trappers should take note that the bag limit for otter is only 1 this year. Contrary to beaver trapping, each person who is trapping otter must tag the carcass immediately upon trapping the animal. ¶ Trappers should also be aware of different trapping regulations in various parts of the state. ¶ If trappers are interested in locations of beaver colonies in Taylor County, they are urged to contact the game management office at the |
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| 1/7/1971 | Camp Forest Springs | WINTER RECREATION AT CAMP FOREST SPRINGS [The entire front page of The Herald was devoted to six nice-size photographs of scenes at Camp Forest Springs, including toboggan slide, tubing, main lodge, skating, looking across lake to ski area, and sitting around the fire.] |

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| 1/7/1971 | Agriculture | DAVID OBEY NEWS RELEASE "The Omnibus farm bill passed by congress earlier in November contained a program to indemnify dairy farmers for milk they are required by the Government to dump because it is contaminated with pesticides. ¶ Under this program, begun in 1964, dairy farmers can qualify for these payments only if their milk is contaminated with pesticides which have been approved for use by the federal government, and only if it was found that these pesticides had been properly used. So far, about 400 farmers in over 30 states have |
| 1/7/1971 (cont) | Agriculture (cont) | ¶ I propose such a program in a bill I introduced with 10 other congressman last year, and I fully support it being included as part of the general farm program. Just as the problem of pesticides can cause severe financial hardship, if not ruin for the farmer, it can do the same to the cheese maker or creamery which unsuspectingly uses contaminated milk and consequently has its products removed from the market. In fact, at least two such instances have occurred in Wisconsin in the past 10 years. ¶ I have made it clear during my 9 years in the state legislature and in congress that I believe we must take steps to halt the use of persistent pesticides. I have authorized legislation to ban DDT and other chlorinated hydrocarbons. ¶ Unfortunately, neither the congress nor the US Department of Agriculture has acted to prohibit the use of these hard pesticides. As long as this is true, I believe we have an obligation to protect the innocent who, through no fault of their own, become the victims of the use of these compounds..." |
| 1/7/1971 | Politics | WISCONSIN CITIZENS CONCERNED FOR THE UNBORN "The bishops of the five Roman Catholic Diocese of Wisconsin have proclaimed January 10, 1971, as "Right-to-Life Sunday." On this day all priests will be asked to preach their sermons on the unborn child's right to be born. January 10 is the Feast of the Baptism of Jesus Christ. "This is a very appropriate day for the Right-to-Life Sunday," explained Fr. Donald N. Webber, executive secretary of the Wisconsin Citizens Concerned for the Unborn. ¶ "We lament the fact that the aborted child loses not only his natural life, but is also deprived of the opportunity to be baptized a Christian."...¶ This is the second annual "Right-to-Life Sunday." Last year at this time, not only were sermons preached against abortion on demand in the 1,016 Catholic Churches of Wisconsin, but over a half million brochures "Questions and Answers on Abortion" were distributed." |
| 1/7/1971 | Obituary & Rusch | CHARLES CLENDENNING "Charles Clendenning, of Rib Lake, passed away at his home Dec. 29, 1970. ¶ The funeral was held Dec. 31, 1970, at St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church in Rib Lake, with burial in Lakeview Cemetery. The Rev. John Meyer officiated. ¶ Mr. Clendenning, 55, was born Sept. 5, 1915, in Rib Lake. On May 22, 1943, he married the former Frances Knop in Chicago. He served in WWII and (presently) worked for the Rib Lake Post Office. ¶ Charles Clendenning is survived by his wife, one daughter, Gayle (Mrs. Richard Mealey), of |

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| 1/7/1971 | Obituary & Greenwood | MRS. BERTHA KLEIN "Mrs. Bertha Klein, 91, passed away January 2, 1971, at the Golden Age Home. ¶ Funeral services will be held on January 5, 1971, at St. Peter's Lutheran Church in the Town of Greenwood. Burial will be at St. Peter's Lutheran Church Cemetery, with the Rev. G.A. Fuerstenau, of Goodrich, Wisconsin, officiating. ¶ Mrs. Klein was born January 1, 1880, in Mocker Oberschlesien, Germany, and came to the United States with her parents in 1884. Her maiden name was Witte, and she married Edward Klein Feb. 22, 1896, in the Town of Greenwood. He preceded her in death. ¶ Mrs. Klein lived in Greenwood until January 1, 1967, when she moved to the Golden Age Nursing Home. She was a member of St. Peter's Lutheran Church and a charter member of the |
| 1/14/1971 | People | HEARD AROUND BY RUBY ZIELKE "Elected homecoming king, Jerry Blomberg chose Diane Lind as queen for the homecoming in February for Rib Lake High School. ¶ Mr. and Mrs. Fred Zielke and Diane Anderson were Friday supper guests at the Gerhart Erickson home. Jeanne had spent the day there before leaving for the hospital. " |
| 1/14/1971 | Spirit & War - Soldiers | GERMAN SETTLEMENT NEWS "Two more inches of snow on top of our already 24 inches. We know it is winter...Dennis Lind spent several days last week at the Veteran's Hospital in Madison, where they removed shrapnel from his leg. We feel sorry for these young men who will possibly be plagued with this the rest of the lives, but are thankful they are not on the list of POWs. At least we know they will get the medical attention they need. ¶ Legion and Auxiliary meeting postponed until Thursday of next week, January 21. Watch the Bob Hope Christmas Show, January 14. Perhaps you will see a local soldier in the front row." |
| 1/14/1971 | Obituary & Rusch | CHESTER FRANCIS STROBACH "Chester Francis Strobach, age 50, Route 2, Medford, passed away January 2 at Memorial Hospital, where he had been taken after suffering an apparent heart attack. ¶ The funeral took place January 5 at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Medford. Burial was held at Medford Evergreen Cemetery, with the Rev. Warren Behling officiating. ¶ The body lay in state at the Ruesch Funeral Home, Medford. ¶ Mr. Strobach was born April 14, 1920, in Harlen, Montana, and on May 23, 1953, he married Norene Krueger. He came to the Medford area at the age of two years, then for a period of eight years he lived in Valders, Wisconsin. In 1932, he moved back to Medford, and was employed by the William Sehler Trucking Company. He was also employed by the Hurd |
| 1/14/1971 (cont) | Obituary & Rusch (cont) | ¶ Chester Strobach is survived by his wife, Norene, five daughters, Janice, Cherene, Lori, Cathy, and Sharon, all at home; four brothers, Edwin of Wausau; Armin of Wausau; Bernard, Rib Lake; Fred, Santa Barbara, California; two sisters, Dora, Mrs. Robert Pagel of Medford; and Grace, Mrs. John Rauman, Wausau; his mother, Mrs. Minnie Strobach of Route 2, Medford, also survives him." |
| 1/14/1971 | Politics & Greenwood | PROCEEDINGS OF THE TAYLOR COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS NOV. 10, 12 AND 13, 1970 [There followed six lines of small print, proceedings of the Taylor County Board of Supervisors. I cite one paragraph as an example.] "WHEREAS, the cost of new highway equipment needed for highway department in 1970 exceeded our estimate. ¶ THEREFORE, be it resolved that the sum of \$1,850 be transferred from the machinery account to the machinery out-way account. Signed Fred Dorava, David McVey, George Radant, Highway Committee; Stanley Kowalewski, Henry J. Gebauer, George Lewandowski - Finance Committee. ¶ It was moved by Mr. Gebauer and |

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| 1/21/1971 | Railroads - Wis. Central | SOO LINE RAILROAD COMPANY "Putting a chill up the spine of highly-experienced railroad engineer isn't an easy thing to do, especially when you consider the muscle he has in the 6,000-ton train behind him. ¶ But it is being done as snowmobilers, who believe railroad property offers an ideal trail, take to the rights-of-way to pursue their sport. And it's creating a situation engineers would best describe as "absolutely frightening"! ¶ Put yourselves in an engineer's shoes for a moment; you're clipping along at night when a headlight appears in the distance, heading for you down the track. Your immediate reaction; did I miss a signal; is it another train? You apply your emergency brakes while reaching for the horn and wonder if an accident can be avoided. Then a snowmobile and its rider slides over the rail and slips alongside your engine, while brakes squeal, and the slack between cars begins to take its maximum effect. |
| 1/21/1971 (cont) | Railroads - Wis. Central (cont) | ¶ Sound dramatic? Not to an engineer who has had it happen. And does it happen? These are things the Soo Line will be confronted with during the next few months as snowmobilers do their sport. It's simple enough to remind snowmobilers that riding on the right-of-way is trespassing, and operators are therefore subject to arrest and a stiff fine. It is difficult to convince them that by riding on the right-of-way, they not only put their safety on the line, but the safety of the train crews as well. ¶ Last winter's numerous incidents on the Soo's property, including a not-so-pleasant case where a snowmobiler lost his leg in a train-snowmobile confrontation. More recently, a young boy escaped possible death on Christmas Day, 1970, when a snowmobile hit the side of a train. His companion saved him from a possible death. |
| 1/21/1971 (cont) | Railroads - Wis. Central (cont) | ¶ In most of the reported incidents, only the snowmobile fell victim. Unfortunately, in each of these incidents, a human life was at stake. We don't believe that the snowmobiler can rely on luck in a train accident. ¶ With safety the primary motivation, the Soo Line wants to pass along a number of reminders to snowmobilers, before they choose to ride on the right-of-way. ¶ Trains don't necessarily pass at the same time each day, and more than one may be running. ¶ The ear-deafening sound put out by a snowmobile is enough to prevent a rider from hearing the whistle of a diesel, until avoiding a disaster is too late. ¶ Obstructions on the track, such as switch levers, track intersections, and maintenance walkways, could cause an accident. It doesn't necessarily take a train to cause an injury. ¶ Rights-of-way are private property, and laws in all of the upper mid-western states provide for penalties for trespassers." |
| 1/21/1971 | Agriculture | DOES YOUR FARM HAVE A NAME? "Does your farm have a name? A farm name can be reserved for your use in a county by recording with the local Register of Deeds. By a check with Harold Govey, Taylor County Register of Deeds, brought out the fact that in this county, the practice of recording farm names has become less popular in recent years. Harold indicated that only two or three recordings are being made each year. The recording cost is very small, the use of the farm name can lend a special meaning to your farm operation..." |

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| 1/28/1971 | Obituary & Spirit Lake | JACOB RALPH FJELDHEIM "Jacob Ralph Fjeldheim, (known as Ralph), age 76, Route 1, Ogema, passed away at Memorial Hospital, Medford, January 24, 1971. ¶ The funeral will take place at Mannel Funeral Home, Rib Lake, on January 27. The Rev. Lowell Anderson will officiate. Burial will be held at the Hillcrest Cemetery in the Town of Spirit. ¶ Mr. Fjeldheim was born Apr. 4, 1894, in Narsnes, Norway, and on June 26, 1919, he married Ingeborg Karlsen, also from Norway. Ralph made his living as a sailor in Norway. He served with the US Army during WWI. He came to the USA in 1923, and settled in Chicago, Illinois. From 1927 to 1947 he was employed by Pullman Standard as a cabinet-maker. In 1947, he came to Sunny Hill Resort on Little Spirit Lake, which he owned and operated until 1969, when he moved to Ogema, where he lived to this date. ¶ He is survived by his wife, Ingeborg, |
| 2/11/1971 | Banks | STATE BANK OF MEDFORD "Pictured above is Francis Schaack, chief cashier of the Rib Lake station of the Medford State Bank. Waiting, with a bright smile, he is ready to greet everyone to the new Rib Lake facility." |
| 2/11/1971 | Spirit | GERMAN SETTLEMENT NEWS "Snowplows have been having a difficult time clearing the roads and driveways, but if you have a horse and a pair of snowshoes, you can usually get where you want to go. ¶ This is one of the memorable winters that are hard to endure at the time, but are fascinating to remember. ¶ My first reaction Friday morning, when we woke up to see the blizzard was: they can't land on the moon in this weather, the next instant I remembered they don't have weather on the moon, at least, not ours. Must be a dull place. I don't pretend to understand anything about the moon shot, so it is not as frustrating as some of the problems we do understand that are closer to home. ¶ Mrs. Carl Rhody entertained the Liberty Belles Home Makers Club at her home Wednesday afternoon of last week, with 9 of the 12 members present, in spite of the below-zero weather. ¶ Busy Beaver and |

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| 2/18/1971 | Banks | BANK OPENING VERY SUCCESSFUL "The grand opening of the new Rib Lake bank was a great success. Fran Schaack, Donna Budimlija and Mary Gordon were all on hand to meet the many people who dropped in to see the new facility and to enjoy coffee and donuts. The first door prize of a \$10 savings account was won by Alex Peterson. The grand prize of \$10 was split by Phillip Schwatz and Mrs. Lee Neville for guess of \$123 as the amount in the glass jar. The correct amount was \$123.06. Other prizes were won by Duke Budimlija, Minnie LaBrec, Art Graumann, Mrs. Vince Sackmann, and Ernest Sunderlin." |
| 2/11/1971 | Health | RABIES REPORTED IN TAYLOR COUNTY "59 positive cases of rabies were diagnosed in Wisconsin during 1970, reports Dr. R.G. Shipman, Assistant Administrator of the Wisconsin Dept. of Agriculture's Animal Health Division. ¶ This year Taylor County has three positive cases of rabies, two in domestic animals and one in wild animals. These animals were a cow, dog and skunk." |
| 2/11/1971 | Rib Lake Herald & Recreation | TOPS O WISCONSIN EDITORIAL - THE CASE FOR QUALITY AND COSTS IN EDUCATION "Every year at tax time we can't help but think about our sparsely-populated area and some of the things we might do ourselves to lighten the tax load and also get more money in. ¶ We notice on a map of Wisconsin there are tourist attractions and accommodations are very far and few between. To be sure, there are a few people who are working to bring about more tourism to this depressed area, and our hats are off to these pioneers. By and large tho', most of our |
| 2/11/1971 (cont) | Rib Lake Herald & Recreation (cont) | ¶ This area has a lot going for it in flowage possibilities, besides having the highest point in the state in its midst. We think we ought to all point our noses in the direction of promoting our natural advantages and forget which township or county it happens to fall in. The time when minorities, such as we are, had the equalizing effective area on their sides is over. The one man-one vote law finished this, and now power is concentrated in the population centers who are not as benevolent as they suggest that they are. ¶ Our only chance of survival, it seems, would be to work at increasing our population through Industry and Tourism. ¶ Either way, it means giving up some of our solitude. Let's take a look at what each of us can contribute to the well-being of this area between Highways 102 and Highway 8. Above all, let's quit eyeing strangers with suspicion, but give them a welcome to share our great country." |

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| 2/18/1971 | Clubs/Orders | NEW ORGANIZATION RIB LAKE "An organizational meeting of the Junior Womens Club was held at the Rolland Thums home Feb. 2, 1971. Mrs. Duane Powers has agreed to act as advisor, and a constitution and bylaws were tentatively set up. Mrs. Ray Voemastek donated a copy of the book "Parliamentary Procedures," which was used as a guideline. It was agreed the club would be independent of the Twentieth Century Club and would try to obtain its charter by September. The Twentieth Century Club has extended the invitation to sit in at a few of their meetings to gain a first-hand knowledge of club procedure. ¶ The club is being organized to give the young women of Rib Lake an opportunity to work together for the betterment of their community and their members. Through a group effort, many worthy goals could be obtained, and it is time that the concerned women in Rib Lake lived up to their obligation and to their community. Attending the first meeting were Mary Zondlo, Sue Thums, Mary Utpadel, Donna Magnuson and Joan Magnuson.." |
| 2/18/1971 | Politics & Rib Lake - Village | THREE IN RACE FOR VILLAGE PRESIDENT "Rib Lake has in the offing, what promises to be an exciting spring election, with three candidates running for the office of village president. ¶ The three gentlemen willing to shoulder the burden of office are George Buksa, Wayne Bullis and Alphonse Mitchell, Sr. All three are good, capable men. We trust that the candidate that kisses the most babies will be the final winner. In any event, Rib Lake will be in good hands for the next two years. ¶ We think a "well done" should go to John Eckhoff, the retiring president, under whose leadership Rib Lake has made some very fine progress these past years." |
| 2/25/1971 | Businesses | OMARK-PRENTICE HYDRAULICS "This is an aerial view of Omark-Prentice Hydraulics. It covers approximately 20 acres and employees 308 men to date. The workers range from areas including Park Falls, Phillips, Prentice, Ogema, Westboro, Rib Lake, down to Medford, across to Hawkins to the west, and Tomahawk to the east. The payroll ending Dec. 30, 1970, totaled \$2,322,072. Sales amounted to approximately \$12 million." |
| 3/4/1971 | Education & People | BOB BECKER TO CHAIR C.W.E.A. CONVENTION "The 58th annual convention of the Central Wisconsin Education Association will be held March 5 at Wausau West High School. The Association is composed of educators from the Central Wisconsin area, and has a membership of over 3500 educators. Robert C. Becker, Rib Lake area schools administrator, after serving for five years on the executive committee of the Association, is |
| 3/4/1971 | Environment & Businesses | LETTER TO THE EDITOR "Dear Editor, we read with interest your editorial in the February 11 issues of the Herald. ¶ When we first visited your area two years ago, we were very surprised at the lack of development of your wonderful recreational resources. You might say it is non-existent except for a few cottage owners. The most startling to us was the absence of any publicity of the highest point in the State, not even a sign when you get to the site. This attraction, alone, could bring tourism that would be the envy of any community competing for the tourist trade. ¶ With the enthusiasm of winter sports, the northern counties, such as yours, have found that tourist trade is no longer limited to 13 weeks in the summer. This year other northern counties have reported that winter business has already reached 50% of their summer trade, where before, it was nil, and this is just a beginning. It may very well surpass the summer trade in the very near future. ¶ In the past two years in which we have frequented your |

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| 3/4/1971 (cont) | Environment & Businesses (cont) | ¶ It may be a blessing that your area has not been developed, because now we can learn by the mistakes other communities have made in regards to environmental ravage and profit by their errors. ¶ We believe in keeping the land as unspoiled as possible. We believe this is possible and still be able to attract the tourists. More and more people are looking for this type of recreation. We call Ogema, Rib Lake area, "the unspoiled north." Let's keep it this way as much as possible and still benefit from it. ¶ Your neighbor this summer and permanently soon, Dick and Doris Sturm, 1418 Grand Ave., Wausau, Wis." |
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| 3/4/1971 | Environment & Businesses | DEAR FRIEND OF THE OUTDOORS "Fish-N-Fun Acres is a 110-acre site located on beautiful Hultman Lake in Price County at the foot of the Ogema hills, and offers some of the most scenic wilderness in our state. It is 4 miles from the highest point in Wisconsin (Timm's Hill, 1953 feet above sea level). ¶ Hultman Lake is a 190-acre lake and is best known for its large mouth bass, crappies, northern pike and panfish. Trout can be had within minutes within an area on a number of fine trout streams. ¶ Swimming is very good for old and young. ¶ Deer abound in this area for miles around. The Ogema area has always produced trophy bucks. Partridge hunting has been very good right on this property. ¶ The land is completely wooded, mainly birch and maple, and some evergreen, among others, with over 2,000 feet of private shoreline. ¶ This can all be yours for less than 20 cents a day. You can lease. |
| 3/4/1971 (cont) | Environment & Businesses (cont) | ¶ The purpose of Fish-N-Fun Acres is to provide privacy rather than accommodations, and to keep the land as unspoiled as possible. ¶ If you're looking for hot and cold running water, showers, heated swimming pools, etc., this is not for you. But if you're looking for the privacy, peace and quiet, a place you can treat as your own, make a fireplace, plant a garden, etc., then this is for you. And remember, you never need worry about a reservation. ¶ The lease will run from May 1 to April 30 of the following year. ¶ We encourage fall hunting and winter sports. The road will not be kept plowed in the winter, however, and grounds will be open and a short drive by snowmobile from the town road will take you to your site. ¶ Hultman Lake can be found on most Wisconsin road maps. Locate the Village of Rib Lake. Hultman Lake is 6 miles north of Rib Lake. It is 55 miles northwest of Wausau. ¶ There |
| 3/11/1971 | Hunting | BILL TO PROHIBIT DEER PARTY PERMITS "Senator Rueben LaFave introduced senate bill 234 Friday, which would prohibit the issuance of deer party permits during the 1971 deer hunting season. Senator LaFave said that upon learning that the Dept. of Natural Resources again anticipates having a party permit deer season, he found it absolutely necessary that the people of Wisconsin ban the killing of does by legislative act for the 1971 season in order to save Wisconsin's herd from total destruction..." |
| 3/18/1971 | Hunting & Environment | DEER LOSSES "Severe losses of deer to free running dogs, in many parts of the state, have prompted DNR secretary L.P. Voigt to ask all county board chairman to do what they can to control dogs and reduce the losses. ¶ In a letter addressed to the chairman, Voigt wrote, "I'm calling on your leadership to help control this needless loss of deer in your county." ¶ Voigt suggested that efforts by the chairman "to insure that local ordinances governing the control of dogs are being enforced, would be a big help. ¶ "Your name used in local publicity calling attention to the problem could help encourage owners to control their pets," Voigt added, remarking that it is not only the so-called "wild dogs" which create the problems, "but someone's family pet carelessly allowed to run at large." ¶ Noting that dogs can and do run deer at any season, Voigt pointed out that "the problem is particularly acute from |

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| 3/18/1971 | Rib Lake Herald | THE "GREAT SPIRIT" COUNTRY |
| 4/22/1971 | People & Politics | SATCH ELECTED TOWN CONSTABLE "Millard M. Kapitz, "Satch" to most Taylor County residents, spent 35 years in public office, beginning as a trustee for the Village of Rib Lake, and including representation on the county board, chairmanship of the county board, assemblyman from Taylor County, and vice president of the county board's association, and membership on advisory board of the county board's association. ¶ He recently retired from public office, and with his wife, Velva, owns and operates the Talbot's Resort in the Pier-Willow region of Oneida County. ¶ On April 6, Mrs. Kapitz was elected clerk of the Town of Lynne, Oneida County, and "Satch" was elected town constable, not to be outdone. So you see, he is still in there pitching." |
| 4/22/1971 | Spirit | GERMAN SETTLEMENT NEWS "The Easter Lily on the altar of the Zion Lutheran Church was placed there in memory of Gus Brietzke by his family. The floral bouquet was given by members of the Komarek family, who had attended the funeral of James Komarek at Phillips...¶ We are sorry to report that Mr. and Mrs. Max Scheller are going out of dairying, and are disposing of their cows this week. ¶ Earhart Erickson's lumberjack special pancakes with real maple syrup and pork sausage at Town Hall. Don't miss it. ¶ The river traffic was heavy on the south branch of the Spirit on Sunday, at least three different groups enjoyed the high water in boats and canoes. ¶ Many visitors at Ye Olde Sugar House the past week, including a busload of school children from Phillips. They were a member of Roy Nyberg's science class and were very interested in the syrup-making operation. One boy asked "How long does it take to drain a tree?"... |
| 4/22/1971 (cont) | Spirit (cont) | ¶ Of course, we know this doesn't happen because nature knows how much it can spare, and how much it needs for growth. If only man were as wise, there wouldn't be the ecological bind we find ourselves in at present, or the feeling of frustration. "There is no deeper trait in American character than that of ignoring a great problem beyond all reason and season, and then overnight, leaping, added with shrieks of frenzy and hysteria, and then - like children - with a short attention span, when the newness wears off, we eagerly look for a new crises." (Co-op building) Let us hope this isn't the case in the challenge we face now..." |

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| 4/22/1971 | Obituary | MARY REZUTEK "Mary Rezutek, 84, of Rib Lake, passed away April 13, 1971, at Memorial Hospital, Taylor County. Arrangements were handled by the Mannel Funeral Home, with the funeral held April 16, 1971. Fr. Girt of St. John the Baptist Catholic Church officiated, and burial followed in the Lakeview Cemetery. ¶ Born Mary Ciealik on March 8, 1887, in Poland, she came to the US in 1902 and settled on the east coast. On September 25, 1906, she married John Rezutek in Boston, Massachusetts. After their marriage, they moved to Minneapolis, and then to Phillips, before moving to Rib Lake in 1919. ¶ Mrs. Rezutek is survived by 4 daughters and 4 sons: Bernice, |
| 4/29/1971 | Rib Lake Herald | LAND OF THE GREAT SPIRIT |
| 5/6/1971 | Church - Catholic - St. John the Baptist | CHURCH GROUNDBREAKING "Ground was broken at 2:00 p.m. Sunday, May 2, for a new church and rectory at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church in Rib Lake. Construction of the new building was begun on Monday, May 3. The Urban Steel Company of Wausau is handling construction and should have the buildings completed in about 6 months. ¶ About 200 people attended the ground-breaking ceremonies on Sunday. Dirt was turned with a golden shovel by Fr. Richard Girt; the building committee, George Zondlo, George Tlusty, Carl Rhody, and Henry Gebauer, and trustees Stanley Resudek, Walter Wilhelms and Ed Bohte; the Christian Mothers, Joan Eisner, Emily Niggemann, Josephine Thums, Gladys Matyka, Ruth Peissig, and Lela Bokath; and representatives of grade school ¶ An honor guard for the ceremony was composed of Frank Yanko, Jr., Florian Turba and Ted Eisner. Benediction was held following the ground-breaking with Lillian Thums and Lucille Hanson, organist, providing the music...¶ Plans for the demolition of the old church and rectory have not been completed at this time " |
| 5/6/1971 (cont) | Church - Catholic - St. John the Baptist | |
| 5/13/1971 | Schools & Education | RIB LAKE HIGH SCHOOL COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES "Commencement exercises will be held in the Rib Lake High School gymnasium on Wednesday, May 26, at 8:00 p.m. for 59 graduating seniors...¶ Members of the graduating class are Gary Annala, David Bahr, Judy Becker, William Berwig, Jerald Blomberg, Randall Blomberg, Joan Bonde, Daniel Budimlija, Lee Clendenning, Terry Coleman, Gayle Czerniak, Faith Dyrzcz, Janice Eggert, Janine Ewoldt, Denise Fischer, Dennis Fuchs, Jerry Gilge, Jean Hanke, Kathy Hanke, Cindy Harder, James Hebda, James Hoefflerle, Luann Hoffman, June Jarchow, Carol Kutzke, Kathy LaBrec, Daniel Lechmaier, Diane Lind, Kim Mannel, Arthur Marschke, Diane Matyka, Janice Nauertz, Allen Niemi, Jean Niggemann, Donald Obenhoffer, Mary Ourada, Mark Peterson, John Pipkorn, Debbie Plude, Kay Powers, Diane Quednow, Phyllis Quednow, |
| 6/17/1971 | Businesses | SMALL ENGINE REPAIR SHOP TO OPEN "Future home of Pete Peterson's small engine repair shop. Pete handles snowmobiles, lawn mowers, and will fix anything that can run." |

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| 7/15/1971 | Rusch & Environment | TO EDITORS OF THE HERALD "Shown here are the pictures of the trash collected from Spirit point on Big Spirit Lake by Lisa Rusch of Eden Prairie, Minnesota, and her friend, Jenny Reinersen of Long Lake, Minnesota. ¶ Sorry I didn't get a picture of their operation. One rode along the shoreline as the other hooked the junk out with a modified fish pole and hook. Among the things hooked is a can with Mr. Arnold's boat license! ¶ Think of the sheer bulk of junk in a lake. This pile represents about one-half mile of shoreline to a depth of, perhaps, 6 feet. Looking at the jagged, rusting edges, I think a swimmer would be reasonable to include a pair of safety shoes among his swim things. ¶ What ethical considerations are involved. How long can the can manufacturers and others absolve ¶ Thank you for giving this publicity and commending the girls' efforts. By the way, Lisa Rusch is a granddaughter to Herman Rusch. Herman was, of course, born in the Village of Rib Lake and now has a summer home on Big Spirit. Sincerely yours, Robert Rusch, Box 291, Rib Lake, Wis." |
| 7/15/1971 (cont) | Rusch & Environment (cont) | |
| 7/15/1971 | Obituary | JOSEPH J. HEBDA "Joseph J. Hebda, 84, of Rib Lake, passed away at Memorial Hospital in Medford July 9, 1971. The funeral was held July 12 at 10:00 a.m. at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church in Rib Lake. Burial was in Lakeview Cemetery, with the Rev. Richard Girt officiating. ¶ Mr. Hebda was born Feb. 18, 1887, in Poland, and came to the US about 1908. He settled in Buffalo, New York, where he married Anna Kaczor June 1, 1909. After their marriage they moved to Kansas City; Minneapolis, and finally, in 1917, to Rib Lake, where they have made their home ever since. ¶ Surviving, besides his wife, are three daughters and three sons: Stanley and John of Rib Lake; Edward of Santa Suzanna, California; Julia, Mrs. Julia Schabel; Mary, Mrs. Howard Lamont, both of Rib Lake; and Stella, Mrs. Francis Krznick of Morton Grove, Illinois. Mr. Hebda is also survived by 16 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren." |
| 7/15/1971 | Harper Lake | SOUTH HARPER LAKE RECREATION DEVELOPMENT "Joint efforts of 4 units of government have expanded swimming facilities and installed a new boat ramp on South Harper Lake. ¶ Township officials from Rib Lake purchased the Carlson property immediately west of the beach in 1970, with 50% cost-sharing provided by the State Dept. of Natural Resources. ¶ The additional land has aided the growing multiple use of the South Harper Lake site. Green Thumb workers, a federal program for rural low-income men, furnished the labor for installing a new concrete plank boat ramp, beach improvement and seeding for erosion control. ¶ Conservation aid funds furnished by Taylor County and the State of Wisconsin covered the cost of improvements. ¶ Buehler Trucking from |
| 7/22/1971 | Businesses & Rib Lake - Village | BROTHERS TWO AND ASSOCIATES, INC. - NOW LOCATED IN RIB LAKE "Mr. Art Cooke is shown with one of the products of Brothers Two and Associates, Inc., and two members of the Rib Lake Development Foundation, Mr. Ed Martin and Mr. Gene Clifford. ¶ Through the efforts of the Rib Lake Development Foundation and the Village Board, assisted by Willard Vondrachek, executive director of the Medford Area Development Foundation, negotiations have been completed and the firm of Brothers Two and Associates, formerly of Wausau, have begun operations in the Rib Lake industrial building. ¶ Mr. and Mrs. Art Cooke of Wausau and Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Norberg, of Wilmette, Illinois, are co-partners in the business. At the present time, 5 people are employed in the operation that manufactures decorative wall plaques, framed pictures, wall shelves, shadowboxes and antique |

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| 7/22/1971 (cont) | Businesses & Rib Lake - Village (cont) | ¶ Brothers Two has made many improvements in the building, such as air conditioning in the upper floor, extra lighting, and carpeted office space. Visitors are always welcome." |
| 8/5/1971 | Camp Forest Springs & People | OUTSTANDING YOUNG MEN OF AMERICA AWARD "Mr. Richard L. Angelo, Route 1, Westboro, Wis., has been selected as one of the outstanding young men in America for 1971, and will appear in the annual biographical compilation "OUTSTANDING YOUNG MEN OF AMERICA." Mr. Angelo is program director at Camp Forest Springs in Westboro, and The Herald heartily concurs with the board of editors in their selection of Mr. Angelo as one of the outstanding young men of the year." |
| 8/5/1971 | Obituary | CHARLES GOJMERAC "Charles Gojmerac, 55, of 602 Empire Circle, Colorado Springs, Colorado, passed away at Fort Carson, Colorado, on July 23, 1971, after a year-long illness...¶ Mr. Gojmerac was born in St. Joseph, Missouri, Feb. 14, 1916. He was married Dec. 20, 1947, in Avesburg, Germany, and is survived by his wife, Stella. ¶ Also surviving are a daughter, Gisela, and two sons, Charles and John, all of whom reside at home; his mother, Mrs. Mary Gojmerac, of Rib Lake; three sisters, Mary Ceranski of Wausau, Christina Roelke of Hillington, |
| 8/5/1971 | Obituary | BERNARD M. CIHASKY "Bernard M. Cihasky, 60, a long-time Rib Lake resident, passed away at the Golden Age Nursing Home in Rib Lake on July 29, 1971...¶ Mr. Cihasky was born Oct. 14, 1910, at Hatley, Wis. He married the former Janet Kopke Feb. 17, 1931, in Hatley. Bernard Cihasky was a member of the Rib Lake Village Board, the volunteer fire department, Rib Lake Fish & Game Assoc., and the Holy Name Society at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church. ¶ Surviving, besides his wife, Jeanette, are three sons, Donald of Brookfield, Wis.; Michael and Steven of Rib Lake; two brothers, Vilas of Birnamwood; and William of West Allis; 5 sisters, Marcella, Mrs. Greenwood of Wauwatosa; Sally, Mrs. Herschel, and Caroline, Mrs. Arol, both of Robbinsdale, Minnesota; Eleanor, Mrs. Long of Stockton, California; and Florence, Mrs. Wildes of Cedarburg, Wisconsin. Also surviving are his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Max Cihasky of Hatley, Wis. He was preceded in death by two brothers and two sisters." |
| 9/2/1971 | Spirit | SPIRIT-HILL-OGEMA 4-H FAIR "The 29th annual Spirit-Hill-Ogema 4-H fair was held Aug. 28 at the Spirit Town Hall with record attendance. ¶ All together, there were 134 members of the various clubs showing exhibits. The Lucky Lakers had 30 exhibitors, the Wilson Workers 17, the Happy Hobos 22, the Hillbillies 24, the Busy Beavers 11, and the Prentice Pioneers 30. ¶ Morning activities included judging of cattle, horses, garden and field crop exhibits, mechanical and wood-working displays, baked goods, canning, flowers, clothing, knitting and photographic displays. ¶ Following the dinner in the basement of the hall, the activities became fun-filled for everyone, with various games and contests. Winners in a football punt contest were Bruce Nyberg, Tim Kring, Robert Schilling, Jeanne Erdman, Sue Schreiner, Debbie Nelson, Connie Feltz, Ginger Gin, and Nancy Hoffman. |

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| 9/2/1971 | Obituary & Westboro | RICHARD A. RINDT, SR. "Richard A. Rindt, Sr., 91, of Westboro, passed away at Memorial Hospital, Medford, Aug. 28, 1971. Funeral services were held at Trinity Lutheran Church in Chelsea, with Rev. Dennis Drews officiating, and burial in the Chelsea Cemetery. Services were held at 1:00 p.m. on Aug. 31. The Mannel Funeral Home of Rib Lake handled the arrangements. ¶ Richard Rindt was born in Pomerania, Germany, Jan. 3, 1879, and came to the USA in 1883, settling first with his parents at Luxemburg, Wis. In 1886 they moved to Westboro, where he married Clara Westberg Sept. 4, 1908. Mr. and Mrs. Rindt homesteaded on a farm west of Westboro. ¶ Mr. Rindt is survived by 4 sons, Albert, Westboro; Melvin, Fond du Lac; Richard, Jr., Westboro; and James, |
| 9/9/1971 | RLLC & People | FORMER LUMBERMAN, ALBERT PRAHL, 95, KEEPS VERY ACTIVE "It's no good for anybody to just sit and do nothing." ¶ That's the advice of Albert F. Prah1, 1325 Prospect Ave., Wausau, and he follows it to the letter. ¶ Mr. Prah1, who is 95 today, is hosting 70 relatives and friends at a dinner at the American Legion Clubhouse this evening. Besides his daughter, Dorothy, relatives attending will include 6 of his 12 nephews and nieces...¶ He worked for the RLLC when the new mill opened in 1917, worked there until 1928. When the mill reopened in 1934, he went back to work there until operations were terminated. He had the distinction of sawing the first log in that particular mill in 1917, and the last cut there in 1948, when he was 72. ¶ Between 1928 and 1934, he worked ¶ He thinks the largest amount of lumber he sawed in one day was 105,000 board feet of hemlock, and 60,000 feet of hardwood while working for the Barker & Stewart Mill in Wausau between 1912 and 1914..." |
| 9/9/1971 (cont) | RLLC & People (cont) | |
| 9/30/1971 | People & Railroad - Wis. Central | MARTIN DVORAK RETIRES "Martin Dvorak will retire Sept. 30 from the Soo Line service after working for them 48 years and 8 months. He started his career at the tender age of 12 years by learning telegraphy from Ed Clendenning of Rib Lake, who worked at Stanbury during the winter months. He spent much time at the Dvorak Store (it being a small town and not many places to go. And he bought his guitar and sang songs to pass the evening). ¶ When he was 15, Martin went to telegrapher school in Eau Claire, which lasted 3 months. Jobs were scarce, and the school was giving passes to ten telegraphers the following day. That night Martin grabbed the tender behind the locomotive, and rode from Eau Claire to Stevens Point, as he had no money; he saw the chief operator the next morning and got the job. This was in November, but he asked to start Nov. 30, 1923. His first station was at Hillcrest, Wis. ¶ In June, 1938, he drew the agency at Ogema, and remained there until April of 1952, when he drew the agency at Westboro. |
| 9/30/1971 (cont) | People & Railroad - Wis. Central (cont) | ¶ In April, 1968, he drew the traveling agent's position, with headquarters at Medford. He was assigned the stations of Ogema, Westboro, Chelsea, Whittlesey, Stetsonville and Dorchester. ¶ Charles W. Hafferman, manager of freight service center at Medford, and operator V.R. Schraufnagel, were a fine office force to work with, and the patrons of all the stations worked were of the best and made his work enjoyable. ¶ Martin will reside in Westboro with his wife, Ruth, and two step-children, Jeanette and Robert. ¶ He plans to do a lot of fishing, hunting, gardening and traveling. ¶ At his retirement, Mr. Dvorak held the rank of #1 telegrapher with 161 employees junior to him in |

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| 10/7/1971 | Businesses | CURIOSITY CORNER "Do you have any information concerning the above picture? This cigar box bearing the name "Ph.A.Goetz, Rib Lake," with the label of Little Rib, was found by Mr. James Rhody of Prentice. The date on the cigar box is 1907. If you have any information, please send it or call the Herald office." |
| 10/28/1971 | Businesses & Spirit | SWANS TREE FARM, OGEMA "Dave and Cliff Swan started 8 years ago to convert their dairy farm to a tree farm. In the pictures of this article you see 8 years of hard work and planning. ¶ Their first crop of trees will be realized this year, and to me it looks as if all their trees are winners. ¶ Taking pictures for this article was a very enjoyable experience as we drove around the fields in Dave's pickup, looking at the stands of trees segregated into age groups. ¶ Incidentally, this farm is just across from Tim's Hill, which is the highest elevation in the state. ¶ On the top of the hill behind Dave and Norma's home, you look down on what could be called the Jump River Valley. We could make out the Omark water storage tower, and it seemed that the top of that is lower than where we stood. |
| 10/28/1971 (cont) | Businesses & Spirit (cont) | ¶ Dave and Cliff have their own nursery, and in the seedling bed pictured are approximately 50,000 one-year-olds. ¶ Seedlings are kept in beds for two years before planting out in nursery beds. ¶ Dave and Cliff took top honors at the Ogema Tree Festival this year, and, of course, if you look at their plantation, you can really see why. ¶ Regarding the Ogema Christmas Tree Festival, we would like to see many more growers competing for top honors, which would make winning mean much more to the grower and the community. ¶ After our tour of the farm we had lunch |

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| 10/28/1971 | Obituary | FRED MARSCHKE "Fred August Marschke, 69, Rib Lake, passed away Oct. 21 at St. Joseph's Hospital at Marshfield. Services were held Sat. Oct. 23, at St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church at Rib Lake, with Rev. John Meyer officiating. Burial took place at Lakeview Cemetery. ¶ Mr. Marschke was born Dec. 14, 1902, at Rib Lake. His marriage to Helen Waldhart took place Nov. 9, 1932, at Medford. She preceded him in death in 1967. ¶ He is survived by two sons and one daughter: Fredrick of Milwaukee, Kenneth of Wausau, and Karen, Mrs. Timmers of Franklin, Wisconsin, and 6 grandchildren. One son, Donald, preceded him in death Feb. 18, 1968. ¶ Mr. Marschke is also survived by 4 brothers and 6 sisters: Herman, Albert, Arthur of Rib Lake, Edward of Chicago; Minnie, Champagne, Illinois; Ann, Mrs. Glen Hanifen, Rib Lake; Priscilla, Mrs. Inar Larson, Chicago; Lucene, Mrs. Dennis Leffel, Milwaukee. ¶ Four brothers also preceded him in death: Carl, Robert, Paul and William, and two sisters: Margaret and Martha." |
| 11/11/1971 | People & Spirit | STROMBOM'S CELEBRATE 50TH ANNIVERSARY "The 50th anniversary celebration was held at the Ogema Lutheran Church on Oct. 25 for Mr. and Mrs. Fred K. Strombom of Ogema. ¶ Fred Strombom and the former Hilda Lovendahl were married Oct. 29, 1921, at Messiah Evangelical Lutheran Church in Chicago. Margaret Lovendahl and Norman Williamson were their attendants, and the Rev. G.A. Eliot officiated. ¶ Mr. and Mrs. Strombom moved to the Town of Spirit from Chicago in 1948. They are now retired, but were previous owners of the Spirit store. There are three children: Fred A. Strombom of Ogema, Mrs. Junith Sundberg of Madison, Illinois; and Mrs. Ruth Dombrow of Oak Park, Illinois. ¶ Mr. Strombom is a member of the Lions Club, and Mrs. Strombom belongs to the |
| 12/2/1971 | Obituary & Rusch | ELMER CARL RADTKE "Funeral services were held Saturday, Nov. 27, 1971, for Elmer Carl Radtke, 57, of Rib Lake, who passed away suddenly Nov. 24, at his home. Services were conducted at St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church, with Rev. John Meyer. Interment took place in the Lakeview Cemetery, Rib Lake. Mannel Funeral Home had charge of arrangements. ¶ Mr. Elmer Radtke was born Nov. 25, 1913, at Rib Lake. His marriage to Barbara Beck took place Sept. 4, 1943, at Elim Lutheran Church, Duluth, Minnesota. He received his education in Rib Lake and Taylor County Normal School at Medford. He worked for the RLLC and at present was working for Hurd Millwork Corporation at Medford. Elmer was a member of St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church at Rib Lake. |

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| 12/2/1971 (cont) | Obituary & Rusch (cont) | ¶ Surviving Mr. Radtke, along with his wife, are two daughters - Kay, Mrs. Gordon Roseland, Milwaukee; Ruth, Mrs. Herbert Scheithauer, also of Milwaukee; three step-children - Ray Rusch, Reno, Nevada; Ronald Rusch, Wisconsin Rapids, Wis.; and Barbara, Mrs. Neal Habeck of Rothschild, Wis.; and 10 grandchildren. Also one sister, Adeline, Mrs. Erwin Haas of Milwaukee, Wis.; his parents and one brother preceded him in death. ¶ Pallbearers for the funeral were Robert Becker, Don Meyer, Elwood Bleck, Robert Bleck, Elmer Gilge and Alfred Knop." |
| 12/9/1971 | Westboro & Businesses | NEW CHEESE MAKER "Mr. John A. Happli has taken over cheese-making duties at Cooper Cheese Factory at Westboro Dec. 1. Formerly of Mosinee, Mr. Happli and his wife, Marlene, are making their home on the Cooper property. They have three children, John, 6, Carol, 4, and Pamela, age 2." |
| 12/9/1971 | Politics | DEMOCRATS HELD PARTY "The Democratic party and dance held Dec. 4 at the National Hotel was well-attended, in spite of the bad weather. Election of officers was held, with the following taking office: Ed Riegert, County Chairman; Paul Buehler, First Vice Chairman; Alvin Sova; Second Vice; Alphonse Mitchell, Third Vice; and Gust Kowalczyk, Fourth Vice Chairman. ¶ Donations for door prizes came from Gehrt's Bar, pint of brandy; Pete's Service, 5 gallons gasoline; National Hotel, 6-pack; Eagle Skelly, 4 car washes..." |
| 12/9/1971 | Spirit | GERMAN SETTLEMENT Mrs. Roy Meier "One really nice winter day the past week. Four inches of clean, white snow on Sunday morning. Maybe we'll get our sunshine for the holidays. ¶ Donna Rhody of Milwaukee was another student who spent Thanksgiving with her folks. ¶ Several members of the Homemakers Club attended the Christmas Tea at Phillips on Thursday. ¶ Almost perfect attendance at the Homemaker meeting at the Allen Blomberg home on Monday afternoon. It was a fun time with tape recordings taken of roll call response, candy-making demonstration by Mrs. Gene Meier, and cookie exchange, followed by refreshments. ¶ All the friends of |
| 12/9/1971 (cont) | Spirit (cont) | ¶ Wesley Meier returned on Friday from Buffalo, New York, where he had visited friends for several days. He has accepted the position of county forest administrator in Sawyer County, and began work there this week. ¶ It was a thrill to see one of our Price County 4-H girls on TV the other evening, she having won national honors, and was being interviewed at the 4-H Club Congress in Chicago. ¶ Legion and Auxiliary meets this Thursday evening to trim the tree and make other preparations for the annual community Christmas party at the town hall this Saturday evening, Dec. 11. This is sponsored by the Legion and Auxiliary members, and everyone is invited. ¶ Late hunting season news - Pete and Chester Brietzke, and some of their young folks, hunted in Spirit and stopped at the Ron Meier home one day." |

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| 12/16/1971 | Politics | BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEET "Harold Zielke, supervisor of the Village of Rib Lake, attended a public hearing to consider the reapportioning of the Taylor County Board's supervisory districts on Wednesday evening, Dec. 8, 1971, at the courthouse in Medford. ¶ The county has been informed by the Attorney General of Wisconsin that all counties must be re-districted by Jan. 1, prior to the filing for nomination papers. Each supervisor must represent, as nearly as practical, an equal number of persons. However, in re-apportioning, the county may consider such other factors as continuity of interest, compactness and continuity of existing town, village and lot lines. ¶ |
| 12/16/1971 (cont) | Politics (cont) | ¶ Harold Zielke presented the recommendation of the Rib Lake Village Board and the Rib Lake Commercial & Civic Club that plan for re-districting of the county to permit 20 supervisors be accepted. ¶ Other re-districting plans in which the number of supervisors varied from 14-17 were presented at the same time. If any plan for other than 20 supervisors is put into effect, the Village of Rib Lake would lose its supervisor and would be requested to |
| 12/16/1971 | Agriculture | BUTZ APPOINTED SECRETARY "Two weeks ago, on a close 51-44 vote, the US Senate confirmed the nomination of Earl Butz as Secretary of Agriculture. Few cabinet appointments have raised so much controversy as that of Mr. Butz, and the small 7-vote edge by which he was confirmed indicates that many senators were deeply disturbed by this nomination. I think their concern was justified. ¶ It has been clear from the day Mr. Butz was nominated that he has not changed his agricultural and economic philosophy very much since the days when he was an assistant to former Secretary of Agriculture Esra Taft Benson. ¶ During the hearings on his nomination, Mr. Butz said he supports present food grain programs, which have given us crop surpluses reminiscent of the Benson era. He |
| 12/16/1971 (cont) | Agriculture (cont) | ¶ In the 1950's this kind of attitude proved to be disastrous for farmers and for rural America. Huge crop surpluses built in warehouses. Farm income was low and millions of farmers simply didn't survive. It is not surprising that many people were leary of putting a man in office whose actions indicate he might let this happen again. ¶ There also was a great deal of concern about Mr. Butz because of his close ties with agri-business corporations. He held stock totaling over \$100,000, and earned over \$60,000 a year in salaries from agri-businesses firms, which have shown little concern in the past about the individual farmer. ¶ One of those firms is Tenneco, the 34th largest conglomerate in the nation. One researcher pointed out that while this conglomerate controls almost 2 million acres of farmland, it paid no federal income tax in 1969. It was simply able to write off its non-farm income against claimed farm losses..." |
| 12/23/1971 | Camp Forest Springs | SKIING PROGRAM - CAMP FOREST SPRINGS "Another skiing season is with us and as you see, an attempt is being made to get youngsters, and oldsters too, acquainted with one of the finest winter sports suited to this area. ¶ It is hoped that many more of our youth will take advantage of the ski program offered. In talking to Dick Angelo, we were somewhat set back when he said many boys and girls are really afraid to try skiing. We suppose the fear of injury is paramount, but with the proper coaching and instruction, this will be at a minimum. As in the Armed Forces, one pays attention to the art of self-defense, and if you do, your chances of coming through unharmed are |

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| 12/23/1971 (cont) | Camp Forest Springs (cont) | ¶ Anyway, let's make this area a great ski area. We have so many good ski hills that it's a shame not to take advantage of them. Skis do not cost as much as snowmobiles...Rental rates at the camp are as follows: \$1.50 for ski tow, instruction and insurance. \$1.50 for rental of ski equipment (boots, poles and skis). ¶ All personal equipment must have safety release bindings and regular ski boots are required. At begin or close of the day's activities, there |
| 12/23/1971 | Westboro & Utilities | SEWAGE TREATMENT PLANT PROPOSED FOR WESTBORO "Property owners in the Town of Westboro apparently will have a community sewage treatment plant if all goes well with the plan set in motion at a well-attended special meeting in the Town of Westboro Town Hall Wednesday evening, Dec. 15, 1971. ¶ The subject was the possible construction of community sewage treatment facilities in the unincorporated community of Westboro. The Wisconsin DNR had ordered the Town of Westboro to stop all private sewage disposal systems |
| 12/30/1971 | Obituary & Rusch | JULIUS GILGE "Julius Gilge, age 83, Rib Lake, passed away Monday, Dec. 27, 1971, at the Golden Age Nursing Home, Rib Lake. Funeral services are being held today (Thursday) Dec. 30, at 3:00 p.m. from St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church in Rib Lake. Burial took place in Lakeview Cemetery. ¶ Mannel Funeral Home had charge of arrangements where the body reposed after Wednesday noon, and at the church on Thursday from 10:00 a.m. until the time of service. ¶ Mr. Julius Gilge was born Oct. 15, 1888, in Germany, coming to this county in 1895 with his |
| 12/30/1971 (cont) | Obituary & Rusch (cont) | ¶ Surviving Mr. Gilge are the following children - 2 daughters, Mildred, Mrs. William Landshaft, Naperville, Illinois; and Bernice, Mrs. Conrad Roder, Rib Lake; and sons - Elmer Gilge, Rib Lake; Hugo, Alvin and Walter of Phillips; Herman and Julius Gilge, Jr., of Milwaukee; 31 grandchildren and 8 great-grandchildren. Also surviving are one brother and one sister, William Gilge of Cudahy, Wis., and Ida, Mrs. Ed Kelnhofer, Rib Lake. Two sisters and three sons preceded him in death." |
| 12/30/1971 | Rib Lake Fish & Game Assoc. & Environment | RIB LAKE FISH & GAME "The Rib Lake Fish & Game Assoc., in cooperation with this district's fish management department, has been considering the installing of a new and improved type of aerating system for Rib Lake. ¶ Last winter the oxygen content of the water in the lake was down to the very near critical point with our present aerators, which were in operation for three months, 24 hours a day. ¶ The department directors believe that the new pump-type system would require less than half the hours of operation, and with much greater results. ¶ After the freeze-out two years ago, the Dept. of Fish Management planted 2,300,000 walleye, and last year another 600,000 in Rib Lake. If we can eliminate a similar disaster, as like two years ago, we should, in the future, have the best walleye fishing in this entire area. ¶ The officials of the Rib Lake Fish & Game Assoc. ask all sportsmen interested in the management of our lake to attend the Jan. 3 meeting at 7:30 p.m. in the library room. Rib Lake Fish & Game, Ed Martin, President." |
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| 1/6/1972 | Health & Rib Lake - Village | AMBULANCE ARRIVES IN RIB LAKE "At long last, the northern end of Taylor County has an ambulance which will provide them with quick, efficient emergency service. In the picture above are the men who did the footwork necessary to make it a reality. This is no small undertaking because of all the regulations to be met and forms to be submitted, besides convincing a host of other county board members of the feasibility and need of this vehicle. ¶ One member whose picture doesn't appear above, but who can take equal credit with the others, is Ernest Tervi of Westboro. Ernie was not available to photograph that day, but we don't think he should be able to duck out of the honor. ¶ The ambulance will be housed in the new Taylor County garage built this last summer in Rib Lake, until the new fire barn is completed to house the vehicle. The members of the Rib Lake Volunteer Fire Dept. have taken the Red Cross first aid training and will be responsible for the service calls and maintenance." |
| 1/6/1972 | Railroads - Wis. Central | OGEMA DEPOT MOVED "A landmark for many years is no more at Ogema. Lawrence Tlusty moved the Ogema Soo Line depot to Westboro on his cattle ranch." |
| 1/6/1972 | Obituary | AUGUST OTTO ZIELKE "August Otto Zielke of Spirit passed away January 4, 1972, at the age of 88 at the Golden Age Nursing Home, Rib Lake, where he had been a resident for the past three months. His funeral will be held today (Thursday, Jan. 6) at 1:00 p.m. from Zion Lutheran Church in Spirit, with Rev. John Meyer, Rib Lake, officiating. Burial will take place in Hillcrest Cemetery, Spirit. ¶ Mr. Zielke was born Oct. 16, 1883, in Germany, coming to the USA at the age of 17, settling in the Town of Spirit where he farmed and logged and was a part-time road patrolman. He was married to Emma Henrichs, who preceded him in death in 1944. He was a member of the Lutheran Church, Spirit. ¶ Surviving Mr. Zielke are three sons and three daughters - Henry, Fred and Robert Zielke, all of Spirit, Elsie, Mrs. James Zeman, Phillips, Wis.; Alma, Mrs. Phillip Ernst, Coon Rapids, Minnesota; Marie, |

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| 1/13/1972 | Health & Rib Lake - Village | RIB LAKE AMBULANCE INFORMATION "The telephone number to call for the new Rib Lake ambulance is 427-6755. The phone is located at the new Golden Age Nursing Home in Rib Lake, so someone will always be on hand to take your call. Ambulance service is being handled by the Volunteer Fire Dept., who have received special Red Cross training. ¶ After our article of last week, we received the following from Wayne Bullis, village president, "I think there are some names that were omitted in helping to get ambulance service for our area. They are former Village president, John Eckhoff, and Village trustees Vernon Bruegl, John Schreiner, Ray Becker, Bernard Cihasky, Eugene Clifford, and Mrs. Elsa Juse, as well as Tom Talbot, Deputy Sheriff of Taylor County. The original applications were made by the former Rib Lake board, and I think these people should receive mention..." |
| 1/13/1972 | Obituary | ELSA JUSE DIES "Rib Lake was saddened to learn last Friday of the death of Mrs. Elsa Juse, former clerk-treasurer of the village. Mrs. Juse passed away at St. Joseph's Hospital in Marshfield, following a long illness. ¶ A complete obituary for Elsa M. Juse will be found on the church page." |
| 1/13/1972 | Clubs/Orders | HORSEMAN'S ASSOCIATION ANNUAL MEET "Mr. and Mrs. Ray Voemastek, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Thums, Westboro; and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Deml, Medford; attended the North Central Wisconsin Horseman's Association annual meeting Sunday afternoon held at the Sky Club at Plover.." |

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| 1/13/1972 | Obituary | MINNIE BOKATH "Mrs. Minnie Bokath passed away on Thursday, Jan. 6, 1972, at the Golden Age Nursing Home at Rib Lake. She was born at Titusville, Pennsylvania, April 26, 1895. She, with her parents, as a small child, moved to Gleason, Wis., where she lived until her marriage to William Bokath at Merrill on Jan. 19, 1913. They moved to Rib Lake and resided there until death. They had 6 children, of whom three survive - Verl of Rib Lake; William and Mrs. Alvira Viola, both of Milwaukee; also two sisters, Mrs. Tillie Prueser, Gleason; Mrs. Walter Hintze of Oshkosh.. ¶ The body lay in state at the Mannel Funeral Home at Rib Lake, with burial in Lakeview Cemetery. The pallbearers were Herman Monske, Ed Kelnhofer, Ed Martin, August, Schopper, Francis Schaack and Richard Upjohn. ¶ Church services were held Saturday, Jan. 8, at St. John's Lutheran Church, with the Rev. John Meyer officiating." |
| 1/13/1972 | Obituary & Rib Lake Herald | FLOYD R. NEHLS "Floyd R. Nehls, 66, of Tomahawk, passed away suddenly January 5, 1972. Services were held at the Heindl Funeral Home of Phillips January 8. Rev. F. Norman Barthel officiated, and interment followed at Lakeside Cemetery in Phillips. ¶ Floyd Nehls was born Feb. 19, 1905, at Phillips, and lived there until he moved to Prentice to work for the Prentice paper. He served two years in the military during WWII and was a past commander of the Rib Lake Legion Post. On April 26, 1943, Mr. Nehls married the former Mildred Wright in Milwaukee. ¶ For 25 years Mr. Nehls was a member of the staff of The Herald in Rib Lake, retiring on June 26, 1962..." |
| 1/13/1972 | Clubs/Orders | ORDER OF EASTERN STAR OFFICERS INSTALLED "The officers of the Medford chapter of the Order of Eastern Star were installed at the Masonic Temple at Medford. Approximately 50 members, friends and relatives attended. Installed as Worthy Matron and Patron were Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Magnuson of Rib Lake. They will succeed Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Thielke of Medford. ¶ The ceremony began with the entrance of the 1971 officers. The flag was presented by Franklin Harris, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and the National Anthem. The |
| 1/20/1972 | Entertainment & Rib Lake Fish & Game Assoc. | RIB LAKE'S 21ST ANNUAL ICE FISHING CONTEST "One of northern Wisconsin's oldest winter sporting events will be continued Saturday, January 30, when the Rib Lake Fish & Game Association presents its 21st annual ice fishing contest on Rib Lake. ¶ The premium prize for this year will be an electric sewing machine. Other major prizes will include a .28 caliber shotgun, a .22 caliber rifle, and a snowmobile suit. ¶ In addition, there will be prizes for fishermen and many attendant prizes for those who attend. ¶ Headquarters will be the Lakeside on the north shore of the lake. The Club's favorite chicken booyah will be served there from 11:00 a.m. until the supply of nearly 100 gallons is exhausted. There will be cards at the Lakeside all afternoon for those who don't care to fish. ¶ |
| 1/20/1972 (cont) | Entertainment & Rib Lake Fish & Game Assoc. (cont) | ¶ Proceeds from the event will be used for the purchase and maintenance of three electrically-operated aerators on the lake, to keep up the oxygen content and thus preserve the fish life. The club has operated a couple of the aerators for the last 8 years, and this year has purchased two newer models. Dr. S.F. Hesse also has bought an aerator and the three have been installed on the lake. ¶ Frank Yanko, president of the sportsman's group, is general chairman for the event, and had charge of procuring the prizes for fishermen. Other committee chairmen are Duane Warner, kitchen serving; Gene Clifford, tickets; Ed Thums, checking lake; Carl Seidel, cards; Joe Pertmer, |

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| 1/27/1972 | Law & Politics | DECISION ON REAPPORTIONMENT "STATE OF WISCONSIN, EX REL, City of Medford, a municipal corporation, and Joe Pawelko, Clarence Smith, Robert Friedenfels, Edmund Tylor, Ken Fischer, Joe Emmerich, Neil Smith, Lavern Schroeder, Stanley Kowalewski, George Meyer, Vincent Wojcik, Charles Heglund, William Van Larhoffen, John Gebert and Glen Doyle, versus HAROLD RUESCH, Taylor County Clerk, and the TAYLOR COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, Taylor County, Wis. ORDER REMANDING RECORD: and enjoining nomination and election of supervisors; retention of jurisdiction and order directing adoption of new plan of reapportionment and conduct of special election thereunder. At the regular September, 1971, term of the circuit court for Taylor County, Wis., held at the circuit courtroom in the courthouse, in the City of Medford, Taylor |
| 1/27/1972 (cont) | Law & Politics (cont) | ¶ A Writ of Certiorari having heretofore issued by this court, on the petition of Relators, City of Medford, a municipal corporation, et. al (names appearing in the caption thereof), and the said Harold Ruesch, county clerk of Taylor County, Wis., having duly certified and filed his return thereto with this court; and the court having heard and considered the evidence presented in support for the application, the arguments of counsel, and being fully advised in the premises. ¶ On motion of Raymond H. Scott, attorney for the Relators, ¶ THE COURT FINDS AND DETERMINES THAT the plan of reapportionment adopted by the Taylor County Board of Supervisors on Jan. 11, 1972, does not fulfill the mandate of Sec. 52.03(2)(b) Wisconsin Statutes, which specifies that the county board in each county shall establish a number of supervisory districts, after a public hearing, in such manner that each |
| 1/27/1972 (cont) | Law & Politics (cont) | 1972, in respect to the representation, by each supervisor thereunder of an equal number of persons. ¶ IT IS THEREFORE ADJUDGED AND DECREED that the plan of apportionment of the county supervisory districts adopted by the Taylor County Board of Supervisors on Jan. 11, 1972, and duly certified to the Secretary of State of the State of Wisconsin, is invalid and contrary to the requirements of Sec. 59.03 of the Wisconsin Statutes. ¶ IT IS FURTHER ADJUDGED AND DECREED that the entire record herein be and the same is hereby remanded to the county clerk of Taylor County, Wis., and the county clerk be and he hereby is restrained and enjoined from publishing any notice of election, and from accepting any nomination papers for the election of supervisors under the plan of apportionment of county supervisory districts adopted by the Taylor County Board of Supervisors on Jan. 11, 1972; the persons presently holding office as supervisors shall continue in office until their successors are elected and qualified..." |
| 2/3/1972 | Obituary | MARGARET KOBIELUSH "Margaret Kobielush, 92, Westboro, passed away at the Golden Age Nursing Home, Rib Lake, Jan. 28, 1972. Funeral services were held Sunday, Jan. 30, at 2:00 p.m. from Mannel Funeral Home. Burial followed in the Mount Olive Cemetery in Westboro on Jan. 31, with Mr. John Ritter of Morton Grove, Illinois officiating. ¶ Margaret Kobielush (nee Johnson) was born Dec. 14, 1879, at Chicago. She was married to |

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| 2/11/1972 | Westboro & Clubs/Orders | WESTBORO FRIENDLY FIFTIES "The Friendly 50 Club met at the Elementary School at Westboro Feb. 2 at 2:00 p.m. with 19 members present. ¶ The election of officers found Mrs. Viola Premeau voted in as president; Louis Kaye, vice president; Anna Lucia, secretary; and Mrs. Buchmiller as treasurer. The business session consisted of appointing a funding committee. They plan to buy a pool table in the near future. They also are planning a public card party to be held in February. ¶ Mrs. Shirley Sloniker will be present at our next meeting, to be held March 8, with the homestead tax relief forms. ¶ A cordial welcome is extended to anyone, age 55 or over, in the surrounding area from our club, to come join us and get acquainted. Lunch was served." |
| 3/16/1972 | Highways & Politics | STUDDERED TIRE DEADLINE "James O. Peterson, administrator of the Division of Motor Vehicles, has announced to Wisconsin motorists that March 15 is the last day that studded snow tires may be legally used this winter. ¶ And the administrative rule regarding use of the studded tires was amended last fall, and the time period for the use established as November 10 to March 15. ¶ Wisconsin is one of 26 states which now limit the time in which studded tires can be used. Five states and Ontario, Canada, have banned studded tires entirely, while 10 states have no |
| 3/23/1972 | Schools | RIB LAKE NAMES TOP TWO "Darlene Annala, daughter of Mrs. Walter Annala, has been named valedictorian of the 1972 senior class of Rib Lake, Darlene has been active in the band, pep club, music festival, forensic competition, annual staff, newspaper staff, and class play. She has also been awarded the Betty Crocker award by the Home Economics Dept. ¶ Darlene plans to attend Baptist Memorial Hospital School of Nursing in Memphis, Tennessee, in the fall. ¶ Kathy Fischer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Vlach, has been named salutatorian. She has been active in band, pep club, forensics, annual staff, newspaper staff, librarian, class play, and has been a delegate to the youth contest. Kathy plans to go to North Central Technical Institute in Wausau to study for a secretarial job." |
| 3/23/1972 3/23/1972 (cont) | Politics Politics (cont) | FOOD STAMP PROGRAM "Needy persons in Taylor County are being urged to apply to the Taylor Co. Dept. of Social Services for food assistance under the USDA's food stamp program for low-income families. The new food program is scheduled to get underway in Taylor County April 3, 1972. Applications are now being taken by the Taylor Co. Dept. of social Services. ¶ The food stamp program is administered jointly in Wisconsin by the Wis. Dept. of Family Services and USDA's food and nutrition service. ¶ The Taylor Co. Dept. of Social Services points out that families do not have to be receiving welfare assistance to be eligible for food stamp held. ¶ Food coupons will be issued to families determined by the welfare department to be in need of food assistance. This includes a ¶ Other low income families also may receive food coupons provided their family income does not exceed specified amounts. The amount of income permitted to such families is worked out by the Taylor Co. Dept. of Social Services, with the food and nutrition service. ¶ The Taylor Co. Dept. of Social Services is responsible for interviews and certification of eligible families in Taylor County...The food stamp program has two basic purposes - safe - regarding the health of the nation's low income families through better nutrition, and - increasing the flow of |

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| 3/23/1972 | Utilities | ONE PARTY LINE IS COMPLETED "John Eckhoff, president of the Rib Lake Telephone Company, today reported on the company's progress towards converting all subscribers to one-party service. ¶ The new and much larger dial switchboard is being installed in the new telephone office building. ¶ Installation of new buried cable is complete. They have been tested and are ready for service. Conversion to all one-party service will be done in two stages. The first would be to connect all subscribers to the new switchboard. This will be done simultaneously for all subscribers. At this time, most subscribers will have a new number, and the new temporary directory will be used. Subscribers will also be requested to put the sticker with their new number, which will be mailed to them, over the old number in the center of the dial. ¶ The second stage will be changing subscriber's service from the old cable and wires to the new underground cable..." |
| 3/23/1972 | Obituary & Greenwood | ANNA MARTHA FRANZ "Funeral services for Anna Martha Franz, 82, who passed away at St. Joseph's Hospital March 20, are scheduled for Mar. 22 at 2:00 p.m. Rev. Gordon Fuerstenau of Goodrich will conduct the services at St. Peter's Lutheran Church, Town of Greenwood, with the burial to follow in the church cemetery. ¶ Anna Franz was born Anna Scheithauer on May 5, 1888, in the Town of Greenwood. She was married to Robert Franz on May 7, 1907, in a double wedding ceremony with her sister, Selma, and Louis Mohr. Mr. Franz preceded her in death May 14, 1956. ¶ Mrs. Franz is survived by 8 children, Edward, Albert, Fred and Anna, Mrs. Victor Meyer, all of Rib Lake; Mrs. Lillian Hippe and Melvin Franz of Medford; Irma, Mrs. William Hippe, Millville, Minnesota; and Ruth, Mrs. Robert Johnson, Milwaukee..." |
| 3/23/1972 | Spirit | GERMAN SETTLEMENT By Mrs. Roy Meier "Spring came to Zion Church the previous Sunday when Mrs. Carl Meier brought her petunia plant, covered with pink blossoms, to place on the altar. Potted plants from the florist are beautiful, but they can't compare with those raised with your own tender, loving care....¶ We want to welcome the George Nivers, formerly of Plainfield, Illinois, as new permanent residents of Spirit. They have spent their vacations for several years here at their home on the County Line Road, but from now on they will be Spirit folks. ¶ A trip to Aniwa on Sunday showed that Reynold's maple syrup operation has not begun yet. As here, the snow is still too deep for sap gathering, but it is settling fast today, Monday. We also attended an interesting historical meeting at the Merrill Library." |

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| 3/30/1972 | Obituary & Greenwood | JOSEPH MATYKA, SR. "Joseph Matyka, Sr., 95, of Route 1, Rib Lake, passed away at Memorial Hospital of Medford March 25, 1972. Burial services were held on Tuesday, Mar. 28, at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church in Rib Lake, with burial following at St. Ann's Cemetery in the Town of Greenwood. Fr. Richard Girt of Rib Lake officiated. Arrangements were handled by the Mannel Funeral Home. ¶ Mr. Matyka was born in Czechoslovakia on Jan. 3, 1877, and came to the United States in 1907. He and his wife, Agnes, were married on Nov. 10, 1908, at St. John the Baptist Church, and lived on a farm in the Town of Greenwood until the present time. ¶ Surviving, besides Mrs. Matyka, are 12 children, Joseph, Jr., James, Agnes (Mrs. Herman Maager), Ann (Mrs. Joseph F. Erl) and Lucy (Mrs. Marvin Liske), all of Medford; John, Milwaukee; Paul, Charles, Peter, and Frank of the Town of Greenwood; Betty (Mrs. Harold Gauger), Baileys Harbor, Wis.; and Sister Catherine Matyka, Jefferson, Wis.; 39 grandchildren and 20 great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by an infant daughter." |
| 3/30/1972 | Politics | PAID AD AUTHORIZED AND TO BE PAID FOR BY HENRY J. GEBAUER, RIB LAKE "Your candidate for county supervisor of District 8, Township of Rib Lake, Greenwood, and Village of Rib Lake. Signed Henry J. Gebauer. ¶ Many thanks to those who signed my nomination papers, and your support on April 4 will be greatly appreciated." |

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| 3/30/1972 | Politics | DEAR VOTER "Once again we come to that time, when it becomes necessary for me to humbly ask you for your valuable vote. As most of you folks already know me, for goodness sakes, we should know each other after all these years, I won't try to introduce myself to you. ¶ But I would like to ask you all to support me once again when you vote next Tuesday. And please remember that I have worked hard to get our ambulance up here - have worked for highway improvements - helped get the county garage up here - and it won't be long and we'll have food stamps. These are just a few of the many improvements and the new advantages we have up here in God's country, and a |
| 4/6/1972 | Businesses & People | RIB LAKE IGA UNDER NEW MANAGEMENT "Ed and Mary Zondlo are the new managers of the former Bud's IGA store in Rib Lake. They assumed management from Mrs. Crystal Freeck on Apr. 1. Ed's IGA will provide Rib Lake with the same fine service they have shown in the past, and we will see "Opie" at her stand behind the cash register." |
| 4/6/1972 | Obituary & Westboro | FRANK J. NOZISKA "Funeral services were held April 1 at the Mannel Funeral Home in Rib Lake for Frank J. Noziska, 88, who passed away suddenly at his home in Westboro March 28. Mr. Noziska was born in Budeyac, Czechoslovakia, Oct. 10, 1883, coming to this country in 1907. In June of 1911 he married Anna Simek in Chicago, and later moved to Westboro, where they homesteaded on a farm east of Westboro from 1911 to 1968, at which time they moved into the Westboro community. He had been employed by the Soo Line Railroad during the years 1920 until 1946. ¶ Mr. Noziska is survived by his wife, Anna, one daughter, Mildred, Mrs. Frank Baier, Chelsea; 4 sons, Adolf, Charles and Gerome, all of Milwaukee, and Richard of Westboro..." |
| 4/13/1972 | Church - Catholic - St. John the Baptist | ST. JOHN'S CHURCH IS SEEKING PICTURES, HISTORICAL INFORMATION "St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, Rib Lake, is looking for help. The parish is celebrating their 75th anniversary and the dedication of the new church will be on June 11. They are in the process of compiling a dedication booklet, and are looking for pictures of the old church, former priests, or historical information..." |

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| 4/13/1972 | Rib Lake Herald | THE HERALD IS SOLD; JOINS WISCONSIN NEWSPAPER CHAIN "Sale of The Herald to J.A. O'Leary, owner of the TP Printing Company, Abbotsford, was announced recently. ¶ The TP Printing Company is the publishing company which presently publishes the Tribune-Phonograph for Abbotsford and Colby area, and the Record-Review for the Athens and Edgar area, and now The Herald, for the Rib Lake and Prentice area. ¶ Newspaper printing facilities are in Colby, where all three of the papers will be printed. ¶ Commercial printing facilities are located in Colby, Abbotsford, and still at Rib Lake, though those at Abbotsford and Rib Lake will be used only on a part time basis. ¶ Some changes are planned for The Herald. ¶ One took place with the edition of today. The |
| 4/13/1972 (cont) | Rib Lake Herald (cont) | ¶ Also beginning with this issue is the classified pages, which is now circulated in all three publications covering over 5,000 homes in the Central Wisconsin area. ¶ This over 5,000 homes and over 17,000 readers (national surveys say weekly reader papers are read by 3.5 persons) indeed made classifieds in the Herald a tremendous bargain. ¶ More expanded coverage and greater use of pictures is also in store for The Herald. "We will endeavor to make The Herald one of the best little papers in Wisconsin," the new owner stated..." |
| 4/20/1972 | Businesses | RIB LAKE DRIVE-IN REOPENS - REMODELING NOW COMPLETED "Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Reinhardt, Rib Lake, have opened for the second season at the drive-in with a complete new look. The customer service area has been enlarged and remodeled, and the kitchen facilities have been modernized. ¶ Mrs. Rinehardt is in charge of the kitchen operation, and their daughter, Cheryl, serves as waitress. The three older boys, Charlie, Kevin and Don, also help when the need arises. ¶ The Rinehardts also have three younger children Tony, Carmen and Jerry, Jr. " |
| 5/3/1972 | Businesses & Rib Lake - Village | NEW LAUNDROMAT STARTED "Sunderlin's Thermogas of Rib Lake has started construction of a new laundromat to replace the one currently in use. The foundation of the new building is being dug by Armin Buehler of Medford, and construction will be done by Wayne Schabel Construction of Rib Lake, and Rib Mountain Builders. The 24 x 48 foot structure will be a steel building and will contain 17 washers, 7 dryers and one dry- |
| 5/3/1972 | Businesses | MORE PROGRESS "Construction is started on the building for Northern Cabinet Company. The 80 x 126 foot steel structure will house a factory for the manufacture and assembly of steel kitchen cabinets. The work is being done by Wicks Building and Richard Williams Construction of Medford. Tentative completion date is June 1, 1972." |
| 5/11/1972 | Rib Lake Herald | THE HERALD "Published every Thursday at Rib Lake, Wis. Entered as second class mail at the post office at Rib Lake, Wis., 54470. Subscription is \$4.25 per year. Single copies 10 cents each. J.A. O'Leary, editor and publisher." |

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| 5/11/1972 | People | CELEBRATE 50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY "The Club Florena at Medford was the scene of an immediate family gathering in honor of the 50th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Mike Schwartz of Rib Lake. ¶ Mr. Schwartz was born in Lithuania in 1890, the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Schwarzrock. He came to the United States with his parents and sisters when he was 12 years old, with his brother following later. They homesteaded on a farm east of Rib Lake. Prior to his marriage and taking over the farm, Schwartz was a logger in Oregon and Canada. ¶ His bride of 50 years, the former Margaret Frank (the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Frank Frank) was born and raised in Rib Lake. ¶ The honored couple was married Aug. 2, 1922, in Milwaukee. |
| 5/11/1972 (cont) | People (cont) | ¶ To the union was born two children, a son Walter of Jackson, and a daughter, Mrs. Florine Buksa of Rib Lake. They have six grandchildren. ¶ The honored couple resides in retirement on their farm east of Rib Lake. Both have been blessed with good heath, with Mrs. Schwartz enjoying sewing and crocheting as a pastime, and Mr. Schwartz still looking forward to fishing in the summer, and the hunting of next fall. Both enjoy watching television and having old friends and neighbors stop in for an hour or two of reminiscing about the days gone by." |

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| 5/11/1972 | Clubs/Orders | LAKEVIEW CEMETERY ASSOCIATION MEETS "The annual meeting of the Lakeview Cemetery Association was held May 3 at the village hall. Due to the fact that the Town of Greenwood does not have a community cemetery, it was voted at their annual meeting to join the Lakeview Association, and Donald Bartelt was appointed as a director on the board. ¶ Ed Christianson and Ernest Tetzlaff were re-elected to the board, and Mrs. Edna Martin was appointed to serve as financial secretary. The board of directors now consists of President Ed Martin, Secretary Verl Bokath, Treasurer George Zondlo; Ed Christianson, Ernest Tetzlaff, Ed Kelnhofer and Donald Bartelt. ¶ Joe Heisler and George Erdman were re-appointed as sextons. ¶ The board voted to adopt the rule, as established by many area cemeteries, to allow no more than one plant or ornamental piece to be planted on each grave. Any in excess of this must be removed by two weeks after Memorial Day. ¶ The board will meet at the cemetery on May 15, at 6:30 p.m." |
| 5/18/1972 | Schools & Education | 8TH GRADERS OF RIB LAKE TAKE CLASS TRIP "The 8th grade class of Rib Lake Junior High took their annual class trip to Duluth-Superior area on May 13. ¶ Included in the day's activity was a boat tour of the Duluth-Superior harbor area. While on the boat the students observed ocean-going vessels from Japan, Brazil and several Scandanavian countries. Other highlights of the trip were close-up looks at the world's largest coal and oar docks and grain elevators, and a chance to see the various bridges, such as the aerial lift bridge, and the interstate bridge in he harbor area. ¶ For dinner, the students enjoyed a smorgasboard-style meal at a restaurant in Superior. Following the dinner, the students were given a tour of the Douglas County Historical Museum, which is the |
| 5/18/1972 (cont) | Schools & Education (cont) | ¶ Also enjoyed as part of the day was a trip along Duluth's Skiline Drive, which overlooks the City of Duluth and the harbor area and Bong Memorial. ¶ Teachers that accompanied the group were Mr. Fischer and Mr. Blomberg. <u>Bus drivers were Mr. Hanke and Mr. Rhody, and Mrs. Leonhard. Mrs. Blomberg and Mrs. Rhody accompanied the</u> |
| 5/18/1972 | People & Rib Lake Herald | RIB LAKE LOCALS "Mr. and Mrs. Earl Thums and daughters, Westboro, and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Voemastek, Rib Lake, attended the annual Manawa Lions Club horse show Sunday. Mrs. Thums took a 5th place ribbon showing Sully's Son-E-Side in the Appaloosa Stallion Halter Class, and 6th place ribbon showing Reno Kate, in the Appaloosa Mare Halter Class. Mrs. Voemastek merited 5th place ribbons in costume class, and a 3rd place ribbon in parade class riding Nugget, her Palomino gelding. ¶ Mrs. Dorothy Haas, sons Alan and Edward, and daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Lester Judnic, attended the ordination service for their nephew and cousin at St. Raphel's Church in Madison on Friday evening. On Sunday, Fr. Michael Trainor performed his first mass at Beloit. ¶ Among |

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| 5/18/1972 (cont) | People & Rib Lake Herald (cont) | ¶ Mrs. Albert Smedegard, Medford, Mrs. John Steen of Rib Lake, and Mrs. Clarence Leischer, Westboro, were Saturday afternoon visitors at the Edward Ziemke home, east of Rib Lake. ¶ Mr. and Mrs. Larry Walter and two children, Milwaukee, are spending their two-week vacation at the Ed Ziemke home. Mrs. Walters is the former Janice Ziemke. ¶ Mr. and Mrs. William Krueger and son, Gary, attended the horse show held at the horse center, Wausau, on Saturday, and the Manawa Lions show held at Manawa Sunday. Showing (Fadjurina) purebred Arab mare, (Pan Am Fleecy C.) purebred Appaloose mare, and (Showdown Joe) quarterhorse gelding. ¶ Their combined winnings for the two days were a first place trophy, second place award and three fourth place awards in the halter |
| 6/8/1972 | Businesses & Rib Lake - Village | WORK PROGRESSING ON NEW NORTHERN CABINET COMPANY "Workmen have been in the process of putting up a large building which will house the Northern Cabinet Company in the Village of Rib Lake. ¶ H. Roger Johnson, president and organizer of the company, has been confined to the Wessly Memorial Hospital in Chicago for some time. His condition was considered serious, but he is now improving, and work on the building will be continued and machinery installed. However, the operation will be held up for an indefinite period of time, until Johnson's health has improved. ¶ Johnson is a native of Ogema, and has been a commercial airline pilot, flying out of O'Hare Field in Chicago. He has purchased the Joe Spoke farm in the Town of Hill, and plans on making it his year-round home. He had several inducements from nearby communities, but decided to come to Rib Lake because he likes it here. ¶ The Rib Lake Development Foundation had conferred with him for some months before he made his final decision." |
| 6/8/1972 | Obituary | HERBERT MONSKE RITES HELD "Herman Monske, Rib Lake, age 80, died May 30 in Memorial Hospital at Medford. ¶ Born in Oshkosh April 13, 1892, he moved to the Fawn Valley area in 1896, then into the Village of Rib Lake in 1920. He was employed by the RLLC and was married to Ann Berzloff. She preceded him in death Oct. 28, 1928. After the close of the lumber mill in 1948, he worked for the Laddish Company at Cudahy as a mill worker. He returned to Rib Lake after his retirement in 1958. ¶ Herman Monske is survived by two sons, Arthur (Bud) of Villa Park, Illinois; and Anthony (Tony) of Posen, Illinois; 6 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren. Seven brothers and a sister preceded him in death. ¶ Funeral services were held Friday from St. Johns Evangelical Lutheran Church, Rib Lake, with the Rev. John Meyer conducting. Interment took place at Lakeview Cemetery. |

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| 6/15/1972 | Church - Catholic - St. John the Baptist | DEDICATION AND DIAMOND JUBILEE CELEBRATED "The Most Reverend George A. Hammes, Bishop of the Superior Diocese, celebrated a solemn high mass Sunday, June 11, at the new St. John the Baptist Catholic Church in Rib Lake. The dedication included the blessing of the church and consecration of the altar. ¶ The Rev. Charles Froelich of Park Falls sang the litany; the Rev. Werner Hemmelgarn, former pastor, now of St. Bonifus parish, Grenora, read the first lesson; the Rev. Louis Cernak, O.S.B., of St. Patricks at Phillips, read the second lesson. ¶ Seminarian Eugene Zondlo, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Zondlo, was a leader of readings; the Rev. Lawrence Cyr, Provincial of the Society of the Precious Blood, Kansas City, read the Gospel. He was also the Arch-Priest for the ceremonies and mass. The Rev. Bertram Niggemann and the Rev. James Hoffman, Assistant |
| 6/22/1972 | Politics & Rusch | ROBERT RUSCH ANNOUNCES HIS CANDIDACY FOR DISTRICT ATTORNEY "Robert Rusch of the Town of Rib Lake today announced his intention to seek the office of District Attorney of Taylor County. ¶ Rusch is a graduate of Brown Deer High School, Brown Deer, and Concordia Senior College, Fort Wayne, Indiana. He has a Master of Arts degree and a Doctor of Law degree from UW-Madison. Rusch's parents are former residents of Taylor County. His mother, the former Martha Gebauer, was born in Whittlesey and taught at the old Spirit Lake school for several years. His father, Herman Rusch, was born and reared in Rib Lake. His wife, Karen, has taught |
| 6/22/1972 (cont) | Politics & Rusch (cont) | ¶ For the past three years, Rusch has been working on his home and tree farm, which is located northeast of the Village of Rib Lake. At the same time he has been active in a variety of sportsman and conservation groups, including the Southern Wisconsin Wetlands Association, the Nature Conservancy, the Wisconsin Society for Ornithology, and the Wisconsin Citizens Natural Resource Council. He is an avid sportsman and enjoys camping, hiking and canoeing with his wife. ¶ Prior to June, 1972, graduation from the University of Wisconsin Law School, the candidate was employed by the Terran Services Company of St. Louis, as well as working in a Medford law office last summer. In addition, while attending law school, he was employed by the Wisconsin Home & Family |
| 6/22/1972 (cont) | Politics & Rusch (cont) | ¶ If elected, the Rib Lake Democrat pledges to use the office to develop creative solutions to crime prevention and enforcement problems. ¶ "The county District Attorney should make himself available to speak to any group, class, or gathering on current legal problems and opportunities. Most important, he should spend time listening," Rusch emphasized. ¶ A strong believer in public access to legal aid, Rusch pledges prompt responses from the District Attorney's office to all citizen complaints and inquiries." |
| 6/22/1972 | Obituary | RITES HELD FOR BEN GACEK "Ben Gacek, age 87, Route 1, Rib Lake, died at Memorial Hospital on June 14. ¶ Funeral services were held on Saturday at 10:00 a.m. from St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, Rib Lake, with the Rev. Richard Girt officiating. Burial took place in Lakeview Cemetery. ¶ Mr. Gacek was born March 6, 1890, in Poland, coming to this country about 1905, settling in Minneapolis. He was married to Tekla Niemiec September 30, 1907, in Rib Lake. They lived for some time in Milwaukee, moving back to Rib Lake in 1916. He was self-employed in farming and carpentry. ¶ His wife preceded him in death in July, 1968. ¶ Surviving Mr. Gacek are 7 daughters and one son, Mrs. Helen Magnus, Chicago; Mrs. Stanley (Sophia) Kroll, Mrs. Emily Niggemann, Mrs. Frank (Gladys) Matyka, all of Rib Lake; Mrs. Carl (Marie) Szmania, Mrs. Joseph (Eleanor) Posanski, both of |

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| 7/6/1972 | Businesses | LITTLE BOHEMIA HAS NEW OWNER "Jimmy Bunk and his wife, Clarice, have purchaed the Little Bohemia from Frank Hilbert. The change in ownership took place on July 1. The couple has three children, Sue 9, Matt 5, |
| 7/20/1972 | Utilities & Westboro | WESTBORO APPROVES SANITARY DISTRICT "Westboro residents and members of the Town Board attended a meeting at the town hall Monday evening for the purpose of approving the establishment of a sanitary district for a sewer system that is in the planning stages. ¶ District Attorney Robert Brandner, Medford, representing the town board, was on hand to explain any legal questions that were raised, and he listened to views, pros and con. ¶ A |
| 7/20/1972 | Obituary | ELMER STREBIG "Elmer Strebig, 59, died at Memorial Hospital July 14, after an extended illness. Born Feb. 26, 1913 at Medford, he lived in Chelsea for many years. He was married to Eleanor Leischer Sept. 2, 1936. ¶ Employed by the Taylor County Highway Department until 1966, the couple moved to West Allis where he worked for the Kock Bonness Construction Company of Milwaukee. He retired in March of 1971 due to ill health. They then moved to Rib Lake. ¶ Mr. Strebig, known to everyone as "Cheynnee" was a member of the Local 138 Engineers Union at Milwaukee. ¶ Surviving, in addition to his wife, Eleanor, are 11 children, 7 daughters and 4 sons: Mrs. Ewald (Beverly) Graumann; Mrs. Frank (Shirley) Hamm, Mrs. Norman (Judy) Vlach, all of Chelsea; |
| 7/20/1972 (cont) | Obituary (cont) | ¶ Pallbearers for the funeral were Robert Lang, Waterford; Glen Leischer, Spooner; Leslie Bown, Chicago; Ronald Brandner, Medford; and Mervel Leischer, Waterford; and Thomas Leischer, Medford." |
| 7/20/1972 | Forest Fires | PLANTATION THREATENED "On July 11, at 3:18 p.m. William Meier reported a fire, located 2 miles south of Prentice along the railroad tracks, to the Prentice Ranger Station. ¶ This fire threatened 30 acres of pine plantation on the L.B. Shaw property. Due to extremely dry conditions, the fire burned into the ground, causing considerable mop-up to extinguish fire. ¶ Action was taken by Forest Ranger Connie Waterman and crew, who were dispatched to the scene. Forest fire control assistance, Kenneth Johnson and Ray Ploof, plowed control lines with heavy-duty |
| 7/27/1972 | Camp Forest Springs | FORMER WESTBORO CHURCH TO RE-OPEN "The former Westboro Methodist Church will re-open Sunday as the Forest Springs Community Church, with regular worship services at 9:30 a.m., according to the Rev. Richard M. Neale, director of Camp Forest Springs, Westboro. The public is cordially invited to attend all services of the church. Preaching at the opening services will be the Rev. John H. Stoll, Dean of Camp Forest Springs Counselor Training Program, and Chairman of Bible Department of Grace College, Winona Lake, Indiana. The subject of Rev. Stoll's opening address to the congregation will be "something new and something old." ¶ The former Methodist congregation discontinued services some months ago, at which time they offered to donate their property |
| 7/27/1972 (cont) | Camp Forest Springs (cont) | ¶ The new church has been incorporated as the Forest Springs Community Church, and will be prepared to serve those who do not have a church home. During the opening months of the new church ministry, the work will be under the direction of the Rev. Richard W. Neale and volunteers from the camp staff. ¶ Pastor Neale announces |

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| 7/27/1972 | Politics | JOE SWEDA WILL SEEK 6TH TERM "Veteran State Legislator Joe Sweda (Democrat, Lublin) announced he will seek a 6th term as state representative to the Assembly. Under the reapportionment plan recently adopted by the Wisconsin Legislature, Representative Sweda will seek re-election from the new 34th Assembly District, which includes the counties of Rusk and Taylor, and parts of Clark and Price Counties. ¶ Among his many key |
| 8/3/1972 | Obituary | LOUIS MENNING "Louis Walter Menning, 71, Rib Lake, was pronounced dead at Memorial Hospital, Medford, July 25, after suffering an apparent heart attack in his car en route to Medford. ¶ Funeral services were conducted July 28 from St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church, with the Rev. John Meyer, Rib Lake, conducting the services. Burial took place at Catawba in the Catawba Cemetery. ¶ Pallbearers for the funeral were Alfred Gillett, Clem Heinzl, Roy Brandenburg, Norman Pecor, Dean Pecor and Gerald Moore. ¶ He was born Mar. 17, 1901, at Mattoon, Wis. In 1920, after his schooling, he worked in the Mattoon Barbershop, and in 1922 moved to Catawba for a short time, and then to Rib Lake, where he has operated a barbershop for the past 52 years. ¶ His marriage to |
| 8/3/1972 (cont) | Obituary (cont) | ¶ In addition to his wife, Maude, Mr. Menning is survived by 4 brothers and 2 sisters; Edward, Rhinelander; Walter, Milwaukee; Gustav, Mukwonago; and Paul of Muskego, Wis.; Molly, Mrs. Foster, Maryville, Louisiana; Bernice, Mrs. L. I. Stehberger, Germantown, Wis. The couple had no children " |
| 8/10/1972 | Law | ZONING PERMITS ARE UP IN 1972 "Earl Kilby, Taylor County Zoning Administrator, reports that as of July 31, a total of 87 zoning and sanitary permits have been issued for the first 7 months of 1972, which is more permits than were issued in the first 9 months of 1971. ¶ Permits were issued for 29 new homes, 21 mobile homes, 20 house remodeling, 13 replaced septic tanks and extended drain fields, 2 garages and 2 utility structures. ¶ Property owners are reminded that the required zoning and sanitary permits are obtained at the Zoning Administrator's office at the courthouse in Medford, and that help with any land use problems is available." |
| 8/17/1972 | Environment | EDITORIAL - TRAILING OPPORTUNITY "With the advent of the abandonment and dismantling of the Abbotsford to Athens branch of the Soo Line railroad tracks, it seems that Marathon County now has a unique opportunity for the advancement of recreation facilities in the county. ¶ It is an ideal location for a summer bike-hiking trail and winter snowmobile trail. ¶ The grading and building of an embankment for the trail is already there, and the small cost of wooden bridges for lightweight vehicles, and possible grading, is all that would be needed. ¶ |
| 8/17/1972 (cont) | Environment (cont) | ¶ The ease of such acquisition of land, while still owned by the Soo Line, should also influence the county board. Dealing with one owner is much easier than attempting to deal with many owners, should the land revert to farmland, or whatever. ¶ Such a trail may prove of much more economic benefits to the area than the railroad line has been for many years. ¶ Those interested should let the members of the Marathon County Board know of your |
| 8/24/1972 | Spirit | OGEMA CHURCH TO CELEBRATE 80TH ANNIVERSARY "The Spirit Baptist Church, Route 1, Ogema, will be observing its 80th anniversary Sept. 3 at 2:30. The service will be held at the church with Bob Kobielush, Youth Pastor at Trinity Baptist Church at St. Paul, as the main speaker. ¶ The Rev. Carl Grothkob, Medford, is serving the congregation as its full-time pastor. Pastor Grothkob and the members of the church extend an invitation to the |

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| 8/24/1972 | Westboro | COUPLE WED FOR 25 YEARS ARE HONORED AT WESTBORO "Mr. and Mrs. Earl Grittner entertained relatives and friends at their home in Westboro Saturday evening, honoring Mr. and Mrs. Harold "Bud" Odau on their silver wedding anniversary. Refreshments and lunch were served to 25 guests. ¶ The Odaus were married Aug. 20, 1947, at First Lutheran Church in Ogema. The Rev. Clemmons Peterson performed their wedding ceremony. They have four children, Jamie, 21, employed with Dr. Greg Schoofs, M.D., Medford; Susie, 18; Brian, 13; and Kelly Ann, 20 months. ¶ Mr. and Mrs. Odau, "Bud & Gladys) owned and have operated the "Phillips 66" station in Westboro for the past 22 years. After their marriage in 1947, they were employed in Chicago for three years prior to making their home in Westboro. |
| 8/24/1972 (cont) | Westboro (cont) | ¶ Helping celebrate their day were their children, Jamie, Susie and Brian, Mr. and Mrs. Ross Peterson, and Mr. and Mrs. George Hanson, Prentice; Mrs. Anita Heninger and Tom Heninger, Lake Geneva; Mr. and Mrs. Barney Graveen, Milwaukee; and Mr. and Mrs. Martin Niemi, Ogema. ¶ Mr. and Mrs. Carl Holsworth, Rib Lake; Mrs. John Hansen; Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Tervi; Mr. and Mrs. Herman Grittner; Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Grittner Lundeen; Mrs. Mayme Jaquith; Mrs. Rosemary Rindt; Mrs. James Rindt; and Mrs. Jody Rumberg, all of Westboro; Harvey |
| 9/7/1972 | Obituary & Spirit | HERMAN ERNST, 87, DIES "Herman Ernst, 87, Route 1, Ogema, died at Sacred Heart Hospital in Tomahawk August 30, 1972. Services were held Sept. 2 at 2:00 p.m. from Mannel Funeral Home, Rib Lake, with the Rev. John Meyer officiating. Burial took place at Hillcrest Cemetery, Spirit. ¶ Mr. Ernst was born April 20, 1885, in Germany. His marriage to Emma Rhody took place September of 1906 at the Lutheran Church, Spirit. He was a former town clerk of Spirit, former member of the Spirit School Board, and had been engaged in farming. ¶ Surviving him are his wife, Emma, and four sons; Robert, Willis, Phillip and Delwin; 26 grandchildren and 19 great- |

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| 9/21/1972 | Forest, Wood | DUTCH ELM IDENTIFIED IN PRENTICE "The Dutch Elm disease, which has been fairly common in southern Wisconsin, has been positively identified as infecting many trees within the Village of Prentice. Ron Herman, county forester, stated that the infection within the village is widespread and severe. He has urged local ordinances be adopted to combat this disease." |
| 9/21/1972 | Obituary | STANLEY HEBDA, SR., DIES THURSDAY "Funeral services were held September 18 from St. John the Baptist Church in Rib Lake for Stanley J. Hebda, Sr., 62, who died Sept. 14 at the Golden Age Nursing Home. Burial took place in Lakeview Cemetery, Rib Lake. Fr. Richard Girt officiated at the services. ¶ Mr. Hebda was born April 3, 1910, at Buffalo, New York, moving to the Rib Lake area in 1919. He was married to the former Dorothy Everett September 27, 1947. He was a member of the American Legion Post 274, Rib Lake. ¶ In addition to his wife, Dorothy, survivors include his mother, Mrs. Ann Hebda, Rib Lake; 9 children, Joseph and Theresa, Milwaukee; Stanley, Jr., Thomas, Richard, Edward, Jean and Mary, all of Rib Lake; and James with the US Navy; two brothers, |
| 9/21/1972 | Camp Forest Springs | PROGRAMS AT CAMP FOREST SPRINGS "Two annual community-wide programs are scheduled at Camp Forest Springs - Mens Day for all men and teenage fellows this Saturday, Sept. 23; and Ladies Day, which is planned for September 28. ¶ Mens Day is open to the public starting this Saturday at 9:45 a.m., featuring varied recreation, including archery, .22 rifles, trap shooting, softball, volleyball, horseshoes, plus checkers and fishing contests and sharing sessions. We have equipment, including guns and ammo; also archery, bows and fishing tackle. ¶ Ladies Day opens with registration at 9:15 a.m. Meals are scheduled for 12:15 and 5:15, and sharing sessions with Mrs. Stewart will be at 10:15, 2:00 and 6:15. A varied program of recreation will be provided by the camp staff during the day's activities. All women and young women are cordially invited to attend these activities..." |

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| 9/28/1972 | People | TWO AREA GIRLS COMPETE IN MISS MEDFORD MINK PRINCESS PAGEANT "The annual Miss Medford Mink Princess Pageant was held Sept. 21 in Medford municipal auditorium. ¶ Miss Jayne Quednow, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. John Quednow of Rib Lake, vied for the 1973 title. The pageant featured Mary Sackmann, Miss Medford Mink Princess for 1972, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Sackmann of Westboro." |
| 9/28/1972 | Westboro & Law | WESTBORO CHEESE FACTORY COMPLETES ORDERS OF DNR "The Environmental Protection Division of the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) has announced that 13 water pollution abatement orders were satisfied during July and August. This included the Cooper Cheese Company in Westboro, which was ordered to direct waste to a land disposal system. ¶ Most of the orders were issued to correct inadequate waste disposal systems, and |
| 10/5/1972 | People & Law | FORMER RIB LAKE MAN KILLED IN BREAK-IN "A former Rib Lake High School teacher was killed when he tricked his way into a Spirit home, hit the homeowner over the head with a blackjack, who in turn killed the intruder when he fired his 12 gauge shotgun and struck him in the side of the face. The dead man has been identified as Steven Kreamer, 30, single and from Minneapolis. He had been a teacher at Rib Lake for one year a few years ago. ¶ The name of the homeowner has not yet been released by Price County authorities, who gave the following account of what happened Saturday. ¶ "The homeowner reported that he heard a moaning and groaning outside his door," the sheriff stated. ¶ "The homeowner got up and picked up his 12 gauge shotgun to go and |
| 10/5/1972 (cont) | People & Law (cont) | ¶ Then the visitor threw a \$10 bill on the floor and said, "That is for your trouble." ¶ Then the visitor lunged toward the phone and said "Let me talk." ¶ The visitor started moving in on the homeowner and the homeowner realized something was wrong. ¶ The visitor suddenly hauled a homemade blackjack out and slugged the homeowner over the head. The blackjack was a piece of iron clamped and taped into a handle. ¶ The visitor then lunged for the phone and cut the connection by pressing down on the receiver button. ¶ The homeowner splattered with his own blood from the blackjack, aimed his shotgun at the intruder and shot him in the side of the face, killing him instantly. ¶ The homeowner then called an acquaintance to get help in getting to a doctor himself. ¶ Authorities stated that the shooting had every appearance of "justifiable homicide" and that no charges are being made at this |
| 10/12/1972 | Schools & Education | SPECIAL EDUCATION PROGRAM AT RLHS ""Mainstreaming" is the name of the new program for special education students in the Rib Lake School District, the program involves shifting the special education students from a self-contained classroom to a regular classroom situation. ¶ The students now obtain training in such classes as art, music, home economics, industrial arts and science. Their reading and mathematics are taught by the special education teacher. ¶ Advantages in the program include a better social atmosphere, as the students are able to be among more children in their peer group. There is also a chance for better social and emotional growth. ¶ The 9 students in the program - whose ages range from 8-16 - attend either Clearview or the junior high school. Freda Anderson, the special education teacher, spends a half day at each school teaching the students reading and |

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| 10/12/1972 | Obituary | EVALD NELSON BURIED AT RIB LAKE "Evald Nelson, 72, of Mendota, Illinois, died at Mendota Hospital Sept. 30. Funeral services were held Wednesday, Oct. 4, at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church in Rib Lake, with Fr. Richard Gift officiating. Burial took place in Lakeview Cemetery, Rib Lake. ¶ Evald Nelson was born Oct. 3, 1897, in Virginia, Minnesota. Survivors include his wife, Hermana, 4 children; Charles of Chelsea; Mrs. Anna Brietzke of Neenah; Mrs. Wilbert (Sandra) Hare of Washington, Illinois; and Mrs. Robert (Barb) Moon of Stetsonville. ¶ Thirteen grandchildren and 5 great-grandchildren also survive. ¶ Pallbearers were Tony Stiel, Leo Stiel, |
| 10/12/1972 | Clubs/Orders | COMMERCIAL AND CIVIC CLUB MEETS "A monthly meeting of the Commercial & Civic Club was held Oct. 3 in the Little Bohemia meeting room. ¶ The men had dinner at 6:30 p.m. President Ed Martin called the meeting to order at approximately 7:00 p.m. 16 members were present. ¶ The secretary, Frank Yanko, read the minutes of last month's meeting. The treasurer's report was given. There is \$755.86 in the treasury. ¶ President Martin has appointed chairmen for several committees: standing committee - Commercial, Leroy Stewart; public relations - Duane Warner and Eugene Clifford; membership - Elmer Taylor; and Lakeview Park - Verl Bokath; special |
| 10/12/1972 (cont) | Clubs/Orders (cont) | ¶ A discussion was held about this year's Christmas program. Dick Upjohn said the 4-H was well received last year, and the program should continue. It was suggested to pay 4-H \$25. A motion was made and seconded to leave the purchase of hams up to the promotional committee. Butch Ward will be in charge of this. The purchase of candy and popcorn would be made by another committee. ¶ President Martin suggested having a Halloween party for the children of the community. Discussion was held on how this had been successful in other communities because it made "trick or treating" much safer. A motion was passed to work with the Twentieth Century Club and the school board about a Halloween party. ¶ Verl Bokath suggested that a "welcome" sign be put up on Highway 13. It would |
| 10/12/1972 (cont) | Clubs/Orders (cont) | ¶ Other items covered were: preserving scenic drives in the area, old cars left on the streets, and the favorable opinion of the club to keep Bill Vondrashek as full-time development man. ¶ Members reported that John Eckhoff could not join the club Tuesday night. He was in the hospital." |
| 10/19/1972 | Businesses & Camp Forest Springs | FUTURE OF OLD BANK BUILDING IS DISCUSSED "Richard W. Neale and Ronald Reynolds, representing Camp Forest Springs, appeared before the Rib Lake Village Board Oct. 10 to discuss the future of the building formerly occupied by the Rib Lake branch of the State Bank of Medford. ¶ Neale and Reynolds stated that the building had been purchased from the village by Camp Forest Springs with the hope of establishing a youth center for the young people of the area. It is a prime objective of the camp and its leaders to serve the people of this community. ¶ However, after long and careful consideration, two problems face the camp administration - namely the shortage of full-time personnel to staff a youth center project adequately, and the cost of remodeling the building for a program which might be of a temporary nature. ¶ Forest Springs representatives further stated that |

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| 10/19/1972 (cont) | Businesses & Camp Forest Springs (cont) | The village officials expressed interest in discussing the matter further with the view of reaching a decision at the next board meeting. ¶ While it has not been thought feasible to pursue the proposed youth center project at this time, Camp Forest Springs will continue to increase its public service through such avenues as the high school ski club, the summer community swim program, the family night programs, Youthspiration - the monthly activity day for children ages 8-12, and teen time for all teenagers. ¶ Camp director Richard W. Neale states, "all of us here at Camp Forest Springs deeply appreciate the enthusiastic response which our friends of this area have shown towards the camp program. It is our desire to be a real service to both youth and adults in this community, as well as to serve the many groups who come to us as from an area covering several states." |
| 10/19/1972 | Westboro & Railroad - Wis. Central | LUNDEEN RETIRES FROM SOO "After 30 years with the Soo Line, Clarence Lundeen, a life-long Westboro resident, retired. Lundeen has been a railroad brakeman and conductor since March 17, 1942. He retired Oct. 2, 1972. ¶ Lundeen served in WWII, and went back on the Soo Line in January of 1946. He worked on lines in Minnesota, Michigan and Illinois, but always worked out of Wisconsin. Eight years on the line from Ladysmith to Superior to Ladysmith (the 143 and 144), was the longest time he spent on one line. Lundeen was one of the crew members on the last train out of Rib Lake. For the past 5 years he worked out of Marshfield, Stevens Point and Park Falls. ¶ Lundeen and his wife, Mildred, were both raised in Westboro, and moved back to the small community in |
| 11/2/1972 | People | MARRIED 46 YEARS "Mr. and Mrs. Ray Herman were pleasantly surprised by their three children and families on their 46th wedding anniversary, with dinner at Club Florena. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Carl Duenkel, Kris, Mike and Niky of West Bend; Mr. and Mrs. Al Krueger, Peggy, Pete and David of Jackson; Mr. and Mrs. Lee Krueger, Laura and Russell, also of Jackson; Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Herman, Pam, Sue, Kay and Amy of Jackson; |
| 11/9/1972 | People & Post Office | RURAL MAIL CARRIER ENDS CAREER "Raymond Voemastek, who was the rural mail carrier on Rural Route 1, Rib Lake, for over 28 years, retired from the postal service October 31, 1972. He had been on leave from his duties for the past year, during which time the mail was carried by sub, Raymond Becker. ¶ He began his career with the post office as a clerk on April 12, 1940. He was appointed postmaster at Rib Lake on July 15, 1942, and transferred onto the rural route June 1, 1944. When he started carrying the mail, the route was 53 miles long. This was gradually increased by extensions until it got to be 66 miles in length, and then on July 1, 1963, it was extended to approximately 100 miles per day when the Whittlesey Star Route was discontinued in the area south of Frombach's store on CTH C, east into Lincoln County to what was known as Fink's Hill on CTH M, and the |
| 11/9/1972 (cont) | People & Post Office (cont) | ¶ "My route took me mostly in the Towns of Rib Lake and Greenwood, but also I had patrons in Lincoln and Price Counties. At one time there were five rural schools on the route, namely, Highland, Rib River, Fawn Valley, Mud Lake, and Spirit Lake. There are none today." ¶ "In the first years, rural patrons did quite a lot of shopping by mail. I knew that certain items, especially at Christmas time, should not be left at the mailbox on Saturday, but only during the week when the kids were in school, or were to be left at a neighbor's place so the kids didn't see what Santa was bringing them for Christmas. When it was raining, I would always drive into the yard with parcels too large for the mailbox. Also, at some places, where there was no one home during the day, so I put the parcels in the |

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| 11/9/1972 (cont) | People & Post Office (cont) | ¶ "I was fortunate to have good substitute carriers. My first sub was the late Louis Menning. Art Schultz was sub for a while, then Seldon Patrick carried for a time. My sub for many years now has been Raymond Becker, and he also carried for the past year, during which time I was on leave from my duties. When I transferred onto the route, Verl Bokath became postmaster, and still is. There has been good cooperation between the postmaster, the clerks and myself, and subs, which has helped to get the job done." ¶ It just doesn't seem possible that I have put in over 32 |
| 11/23/1972 | Law & Rib Lake - Village | FULL-TIME POLICE OFFICER VIEWED FOR RIB LAKE "Chief Deputy Ray Meier and Deputy Frank Filas were present at the Nov. 14 village board meeting to discuss the need for a full-time police officer in the Village of Rib Lake. It was estimated that a full-time officer would have to be paid at least \$500 per month. ¶ Community opinion on whether police protection is needed would help the board in making a decision. Five applicants for police officer were reviewed by the board. Paul LaBrec and Frank Bieniek are to appear at the next board meeting for an interview. ¶ An ordinance regulating the new village dump was discussed and adopted by the board. The old dump |
| 11/30/1972 | Obituary | MARY DUMS DIES NOV. 23 "Margaret Mary Dums, 80, Rib Lake, died at the Golden Age Nursing Home on Nov. 23. ¶ Funeral services were held Nov. 27 at 10:30 at the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Catholic Church, Chelsea. Burial took place at St. Ann's Catholic Cemetery, Town of Greenwood. Fr. Thomas Conway, Westboro, officiated at the services. ¶ Margaret Mary Kolecheck was born Sept. 4, 1892, in Columbus, Nebraska. She moved to Rib Lake at the age of 4 with her parents. Her marriage to John H. Dums took place Oct. 30, 1917, in St. John's Catholic Church, Rib Lake. ¶ Mrs. Dums was a former member of St. Ann's Society and the National Council of Catholic Women, and a present member of the Ladies Sodality of Assumption Catholic Church of Chelsea. ¶ |
| 11/30/1972 (cont) | Obituary (cont) | ¶ Two brothers and four sister also survive. They are Frank Kolecheck, Westboro; John Kolecheck, Medford; Ella, Mrs. Mark Headstream, Excelsior, Minnesota; Edith, Mrs. Sluis, Hamilton, Michigan; Mary, Mrs. Hill, and Annie Kolecheck, both of Chicago, Illinois. ¶ Mrs. Dums is also survived by 27 grandchildren and 1 great-grandchild. She was preceded in death by her husband, John H., one brother and one sister. ¶ Pallbearers were Bernard Dums, Jr., |
| 12/7/1972 | Fire & People | FIRE KILLS AREA MAN "A rural Rib Lake man, Joseph Bonde, lost his life early Saturday morning in a fire at his residence. The farm home, located on CTH C, north of Hwy 102, was owned by Mr. and Mrs. Isadore Bonde, parents of the victim. The house and its entire contents were destroyed. ¶ Rib Lake Fire Chief, Frank Yanko, said the Rib Lake Fire Dept. responded to the 2:00 a.m. call and were at the scene of the fire until 6:00 a.m. Mr. and Mrs. Bonde, a son, William, and a daughter, Joan, were sleeping when they smelled smoke and escaped from the blaze. The family was unaware that the victim was in the building. The body was discovered about 5:00 a.m. in the bathroom. ¶ Fire Chief Frank Yanko estimated that the damage would be set at about \$14,000. The fire started in the kitchen area, but the cause has not yet been determined. ¶ At the scene with the Rib Lake Fire Dept. was county |

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| 12/7/1972 | Politics & Rib Lake - Village | NO ONE PRESENT FOR ANNUAL BUDGET MEET "The public hearing for the annual budget of the Village of Rib Lake was held Nov. 28 with no Rib Lake residents present. Education claims the greatest share of the tax dollar with a total levy of \$44,321. \$37,058 is for Village purposes, \$22,588 for the county, and \$569 for the state, make up the rest of the total tax levy, which is \$104,537. ¶ Appearing at the meeting was the library board. All phases of library operations were discussed, and wages for 1973 were set as follows: Lillian Thums - \$2 per hour; Star Powers - \$1.75 per hour; Veronica Schaack and Donna Walbeck - \$1.65 per hour. ¶ Frank Bieniek and Paul LaBrec |
| 12/7/1972 (cont) | Politics & Rib Lake - Village (cont) | ¶ A bid of \$450 by Ray Pendergast was accepted by the board for sale of the old dump site. The sealed bid was higher than those submitted by Paul Shimkus, Leonard Seidel, Alfred Thums or Marlin Walbeck. ¶ Terry Schultz requested that the village approve him going on relief. He stated he needed assistance now, as he has no place to live and no job. After a lengthy discussion, the request was denied because the board feels he is capable and could |
| 12/14/1972 | People & Fire | CONTRIBUTIONS FOR BONDE FAMILY TO BE LEFT AT VILLAGE HALL "Residents of the Rib Lake area were shocked to learn of the tragedy which struck the Isadore Bonde family when their son, Joseph, lost his life in the fire which completely destroyed their home, household and personal belongings. ¶ The Rib Lake Commercial & Civic Club has established a center at the village hall where organizations and individuals who wish to aid the |
| 12/14/1972 | Entertainment (cont) | BENEFIT HELD FOR SKATING RINK "Otto Holz won the prize of the Mixmaster at the benefit dance held Saturday evening, November 25, at Zondlo's Ballroom. The Prentice Ramblers furnished the music. ¶ This was to raise money to build a skating rink in the Village of Rib Lake again this year. The dance was sponsored by the Rib Lake Junion Womens Club. ¶ Mrs. Rolland Thums was Master of Ceremonies for the raffling of prizes that were all donated by area businessmen. A total of 36 door prizes were distributed. ¶ A double skating rink has already been ¶ Mrs. Rolland Thums, president of the Junior Womens Club, has stated that everyone is welcome to use the rinks, and she urges everyone to also please remember how many people are hurt when the ice is deliberately chipped and broken and when smaller children are bullied on the rink. She also stated that no one should walk on the ice or throw snow or debris on it after it is freshly flooded and not solidly frozen, as this will ruin the ice. ¶ Plans are being made to build benches for the rink, and hopefully a warming shed. The rink is lighted. If anyone else is interested in helping with the rink, either by shoveling or helping with the flooding, or if you would like to make a financial contribution, you may contact Mr. and Mrs. Rolland Thums, or Mrs. Ed Zondlo, Rib Lake." |

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| 12/14/1972 | Businesses | BUSINESSES REPORT PROGRESS "A joint meeting of the Rib Lake Commercial & Civic Club and the Rib Lake Development Foundation was held Dec. 5 at Northern Kitchens, Inc., building. Despite the inclement weather, there was a good attendance. ¶ Guests attending were William Vondrasek and Vince Eggert of Medford, representing the Medford Area Development Foundation and the Medford Chamber of Commerce, respectively. ¶ Art Cooke of Brothers Two brought as a guest his business associate, Gordon Nordberg, of Wilmette, Illinois. ¶ Roger Johnson reported that by spring the operations at Northern Kitchens, Inc., should be greatly increased. At the present time, there are four people employed and the future looks very bright. ¶ Mr. Cooke of Brothers Two announced that they now have six people employed, and they expect to increase this number to 12 in the near future." |
| 12/14/1972 | Rib Lake Herald | EDITORIAL "This year all of our subscribers will be shorted one paper. You will be receiving only 51 issues of the Tribune-Phonograph, Record-Review or Herald, depending on which paper you subscribe to. ¶ The reason for this shortage is that the TP-Printing Company, the printing and publishing company which produces the papers, will be moving to one central location, consolidating equipment from its various plants, and getting all of its production equipment into a single location. ¶ This move is caused by the sale of the old Tribune-Phonograph building in Colby, where the newspaper offices have been located for the past approximate 10 years. ¶ The new facilities will be located at 401 W. Spruce Street, Abbotsford, the former White House Dairy building, more recently the location of Abco. ¶ Remodeling of the structure has been underway for several weeks. Subscribers will be shorted issue #52, which is generally produced between Christmas and New Year's Day, the final weekly edition of the year..." |
| 12/14/1972 | Law & Rib Lake - Village | FULL-TIME POLICE HIRED "George Thums, Jr., was hired as the new full-time police officer for the Village of Rib Lake at a special board meeting called on Dec. 5, after negotiating for some time. Thums will also be responsible for the operation of the sewer and water utility plants, and it is requested he keep his time spent on village projects to a minimum. He is authorized to work on village projects as he sees fit and needed. This will eliminate one man from the village crew. ¶ George Thums, Jr., accepted the proposal with the stipulation, agreed by the board, that there be a relief policeman one night a week. This proposal took effect Dec. 1, on a trial basis." |
| 12/14/1972 | Clubs/Orders | ROYAL ROUGH RIDERS MEET "Mr. and Mrs. Ray Voemastek, Mrs. William Krueger, Rib Lake, and Mr. and Mrs. Earl Thums, Westboro, attended the monthly meeting of the Royal Rough Riders Club at Medford Dec. 5. ¶ The club's Christmas party will be held Dec. 17 at the Lamplighter Supper Club at Medford, at which time the awards for the 1972 Gymkhanas will be presented after the 7:30 banquet " |
| 12/14/1972 | Obituary | JOSEPHINE PONCEK SERVICES HELD "Funeral services were conducted Dec. 9 at 10:30 a.m. at St. Theresa's Catholic Church, Westboro, for Josephine Poncek, 75, of Route 1, Westboro, who died Dec. 6 at St. Joseph's Hospital, Marshfield. Burial took place in Mt. Olive Cemetery, Westboro. Fr. Thomas Conway officiated. ¶ Josephine Kojacek was born Dec. 15, 1896, in Galicia, Poland. She was married to Bruno Poncek in Poland July 10, 1905. They came to the U.S. in the fall of 1913, and lived in Minneapolis for 7 years. They then moved to the |

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| 12/14/1972 (cont) | Obituary (cont) | ¶ Surviving Mrs. Poncek are her husband, Bruno, 9 daughters and two sons: Nelly, Mrs. Merwin Krause, Westboro; Annie, Mrs. Harold Wennerstrand; Bernice, Mrs. Paul Johnson; Mary, Mrs. John Korienek; Sophie Poncek; Margaret, Mrs. Carl Boyd; Evangeline, Mrs. George Sliva, all of Chicago; Betty, Mrs. Lenny Lennartz, Milwaukee; Julie, Mrs. Roy Kampa, Greendale; Joseph B. Poncek and John Poncek, Westboro. She was preceded in death by one son and two granddaughters, Jacqueline and Ellen Poncek. ¶ Pallbearers for the funeral were Robert Wennerstrand, Dwaine Krause, Henry Krause, Gordon Johnson, Michael Poncek and James Poncek." |
| 12/14/1972 | Obituary | JOSEPH BONDE DIES IN FATAL ACCIDENT "Joseph Bonde, 21, of Route 1, Rib Lake, died at his home Saturday, Dec. 2, due to accidental death. Funeral services were held Tuesday Dec. 5 at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church in Rib Lake. Burial was made in Lakeview Cemetery, with the Fr. Richard Girt officiating. ¶ Joseph Edward Bonde was born Feb. 18, 1951. He attended Rib Lake area grade school and graduated in 1969 from Rib Lake High School. Mr. Bonde attended one semester at the Medford branch campus in Medford. He was employed as a pulp cutter at the time of death. ¶ Survivors include his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Isadore and Clarissa Bonde, one brother, William, and one sister, Joan, both living at home. ¶ Mr. Bonde was preceded in death by his |
| 12/21/1972 | Rib Lake - Village & Politics & Library | WEST STREET TO BECOME ONE-WAY "At a regular meeting of the Rib Lake village board held Dec. 21, members voted to make West Street a one-way street. Effective January 1, 1973, the street will run one way from the high school south to Fayette Avenue. ¶ Many complaints have been received recently concerning the existing snowmobiling ordinance in the Village of Rib Lake. If the ordinance is not abided and further complaints are received, the privilege of snowmobiling in the village will be revoked. Copies of the ordinance can be obtained at the village hall. ¶ Ralph Burlam has turned in his resignation as assessor for the village. The board accepted his resignation and approved the appointment of Carl Holzwarth as assessor for the Village of Rib Lake. ¶ A letter from |
| 12/21/1972 | Environment | DNR CHRISTMAS TREE REPORT "Using a fresh evergreen for a Christmas tree is no more harmful to the environment than eating an ear of corn, say forest management officials at the DNR. ¶ There are plenty of evergreens available on the commercial market, and the DNR advises tree hunters that it is against the law to take trees from public property. Trees in state parks and forests are in no way meant to be used as Christmas trees. Those who desire to cut their own trees can do so in any number of private tree plantations throughout the state. ¶ Some people are purchasing imitation Christmas trees in lieu of fresh evergreens, feeling that in at least some small |
| 12/21/1972 (cont) | Environment (cont) | ¶ Nowadays, Christmas trees are planted, grown and harvested as a crop, much like corn or beans. Practically all Christmas trees are raised on privately-owned tree plantations, generally located on soil so poor that it is best suited for Christmas tree production. ¶ On poor soil, evergreens grow slowly, and slow growth produces the classic dense, symmetrical Christmas tree. If the trees continue to grow in this type of soil, they would reach their maximum size |
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| 1/4/1973 | Politics & Rib Lake - Town | NOTICE OF ELECTION "Notice is hereby given that an election will be held in the Town of Rib Lake on the first Tuesday of April, and that the officers named below are to be elected: a chairman to succeed Marlin Walbeck. ¶ A supervisor to succeed Clayton Kauer. A supervisor to succeed Raymond Ziembo. ¶ A clerk to succeed Lavern Zuege. ¶ An assessor to succeed Joseph Knorn. ¶ All elected for the 2-year term will expire on the first Tuesday in |
| 1/4/1973 | Rib Lake Herald | THE HERALD "Published every Thursday at Rib Lake, Wisconsin. Entered as second class mail at the post office at Rib Lake, Wis. 54470. Subscription \$4.25 per year. Single copies - 10 cents each. J.A. O'Leary, editor and publisher. Marv Lundeen, advertising; Merle Tervi, bookkeeping and typist." |
| 1/4/1973 | Businesses | LITTLE BOHEMIA "Daily specials, January 8-12: Monday - polish sausage and sauerkraut; Tuesday - boiled dinner; Wednesday - chop suey; Thursday - beans and frankfurters; Friday - Spaghetti and meatballs." |
| 1/11/1973 | People | RL HIGH CHOOSES DAR RECIPIENT "Linda Rindt has been chosen from three candidates to Rib Lake High School's 1973 Daughters of the American Revolution of War. ¶ The recipient of this award must possess qualities of leadership, dependability, service and patriotism. Selection is made by the senior class, nominating three candidates, who were Mary Thieme, Janis Donaldson and Linda Rindt. Faculty members made the final selection from these candidates. ¶ Marshfield is the sponsoring DAR chapter and will present the award this spring. Linda will not write a test for state competition. State winners receive savings bonds, and the national winners receive a \$1,000 scholarship. ¶ Linda is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Rindt of Westboro. |
| 1/11/1973 | Clubs/Orders | LUCKY LAKERS 4-H "The first meeting of 1973 was held at the Catholic Social Hall January 4. The new officers are: President - Nancy Meyer; Vice President - Barbara Schreiner; Secretary - Debra Gordon; Treasurer - Chris Cihasky, and Reporter - Nancy Melaski. ¶ The club calendar will be planned Thursday, January 18, at 7:00 p.m. at the Rev. Meyer home. The members elected the junior leaders and officers to plan the calendar, general leaders assisting. Members suggested ways in which they could improve their club. ¶ Junior leaders were advised to let the general leaders know if they wish to fill out KAM forms. Drama try outs are to be held January 31 at 7:00 p.m. at |
| 1/11/1973 (cont) | Clubs/Orders (cont) | ¶ Plans were made for the winters sports carnival at Perkinstown on Feb. 10. Chairman is Barb Schreiner. ¶ The club was asked to manage the Heart Fund campaign. The club accepted and a committee was chosen, Mary Melaski, chairman. ¶ It was decided to have a communications committee. Nancy Meyer is chairman. ¶ Suggestions on how to correctly fill out our record books were given by Mrs. Meyer. ¶ The next general meeting will be held Feb. 1, at the Catholic Social Hall. Lunch committee is Dolezalek, Cihasky and Christianson " |

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| 1/18/1973 | Highways & Rib Lake - Village | TRAFFIC ON WEST STREET STAYS TWO WAY "A decision by the Rib Lake Village Board has rescinded the making of West Street a one-way street. Several Rib Lake residents appeared at the January 9 board meeting to question the board's previous decision of making West Street one way from High Street to Fayette Avenue. [Police Chief] George Thums explained that the decision had been made because of safety reasons. After a lengthy discussion, the board approved leaving the street open to two-way traffic, but there will be no parking on the west side, and no school buses allowed on West Street. ¶ More complaints about snowmobiling have been received by the board. The matter is under further investigation. ¶ Questions were brought forth by John Schreiner and Alphonse Mitchell as to why the sidewalk snow and ice removal ordinance was not being enforced..." |
| 1/18/1973 | Banks | LAKEWOOD CREDIT UNION "Now paying 7-3/4% interest on savings. All savings insured up to \$20,000 by Fed. Gov. Life savings insurance and loan protection service at no extra cost to member. Preferred interest rates on new car loans. Credit disability insurance available. Office hours: daily Monday thru Friday - 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.; 7:00-9:00 p.m. Friday nights. Saturday loan service by appointment." |
| 1/18/1973 | Agriculture | ATTENTION MR. FARMER "CASH. We buy LIVE down, disabled and crippled cows. Paying around 2 cents per pound. We also buy crippled, lame and sick cows that can walk. Paying up to 6 cents per pound, depending upon condition. Easy rubber man loading. C&I Dog Food. Call collect 387-1347. Marshfield CASH" |
| 1/25/1973 | Politics | CANDIDATES TO SEEK AREA COMMUNITY OFFICERS "Nomination papers turned into the village clerk-treasurer, Carl Holzwarth, Tuesday were John Eckhoff, George Buksa, and Wayne Bullis for president; Carl Holzwarth, clerk-treasurer; Duane Warner, Gordon Gehrt, Vernon Bruegl, Phillip Schwartz and Walter Wilhelms for trustees. ¶ A primary will be held for the presidency. ¶ TOWN OF RIB LAKE: Town clerk Lavern Zuege stated the following persons have filed nomination papers with him. Chairman-Marlin Walbeck and Adolph Vlach; supervisors - Clayton Kauer, Raymond Ziembo and Stanley Rezutek, Sr.; assessor - Kenneth Hein; treasurer - Steve Olah; and clerk - Lavern Zuege. Mrs. Minnie Arkola, treasurer, and Mrs. Audrey Kennedy, clerk. ¶ TOWN OF WESTBORO: Filing nomination papers with clerk Margaret Grittner at the deadline Tuesday were Earl Thums, for chairman; Arvid Arkola and James Tlusty for supervisors; Harold Logeman for assessor; Joelle M. Rumberg for treasurer. |
| 1/25/1973 (cont) | Politics (cont) | ¶ Five candidates have filed with the clerk, Violet Melaski, for the Rib Lake School area board, District 1, spring election. They are Allen Zondlo and Joseph Schmidtfrenz, Town of Rib Lake; John Hanson and Violet Thums, Town of Westboro; and Vernon Hanke running as a member at large. ¶ Hanke is the incumbent president. Other incumbents not seeking re-election are Andrew Holzl, Town of Rib Lake; and Roger Johnson, Rib Lake. ¶ Clerk, Violet Melaski, and treasurer, Michael Cihasky, Rib Lake; Wilbert Blomberg, Town of Spirit, and Joseph Dums, Town of Greenwood, hold terms which do not expire. ¶ There will be no primary in the school district elections because there are no more than two seeking each position. However, there will be a space on the ballot for a write-in candidate." |

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| 1/25/1973 | Businesses & Rib Lake - Village | "Leroy Stewart appeared before the village board to inquire about the purchase of village property located between Northern Kitchens, Inc., and Emery Peterson. A motion was carried to sell the property to Stewart for \$100. He plans to build and move his present business to the new location." |
| 1/25/1973 | Obituary | PHILLIP ZIEMBO RITES HELD MONDAY "Phillip Arthur Ziembo (known as Phillip Ziembo), 57, died at the home of his son at 858 Lakeshore Drive, Rib Lake, January 26, at 4:00 a.m. Services were conducted Monday at 10:00 a.m. from St. John's Catholic Church, Rib lake, and burial was made in the Lakeview Cemetery. Fr. Richard Gift officiated. Mannel Funeral Home, Rib Lake, had charge of arrangements. There was a rosary service held at 8:00 p.m. Sunday. ¶ Phillip Ziembo was born April 25, 1915, at Minneapolis, Minnesota. He moved to Rib Lake with his parents in 1917. His marriage to Emma Gerstberger in 1938, took place in Rib Lake. He was self-employed in farming and carpentry. |
| 1/25/1973 (cont) | Obituary (cont) | ¶ Surviving Mr. Ziembo, in addition to his wife, Emma, are two sons, Leroy and Larry, both of Rib Lake; 4 brothers, George and Bill Ziembo, Medford; Tony and Ray, Rib Lake; one half-brother, Leo Ajke, Minneapolis; 4 sisters, Frances Hebda, Marcella Yusta of Los Angeles, California; Christina Borman, Medford; and one half-sister, Margaret Bloomquist, also of Los Angeles, and 5 grandchildren. ¶ Pallbearers for the funeral on Monday were Clarence Schreiner, George Zondlo, Sr., George Goimerac, Walter Wilhelms, Norbert Schreiner and Duke |
| 2/8/1973 | Sports & Schools | GIRLS BASKETBALL TEAM WINS "Coach Karen Anderson and the Rib Lake girls basketball team have been hard at work preparing for the Marawood Conference play. The next game is tonight at 6:30 against Pittsville. The girls have played two games, beating Athens by a score of 33-11, and they were victorious over Spencer 53-9. ¶ Although the first two games were wins, they expect to face some tough competition when meeting Pittsville, Nekoosa, Marathon and Auburndale. Nine games are scheduled, with the remaining six to be played by the end of March. ¶ This is the first year for WIAA girls basketball. The rules are very similar to boys basketball, with only four minor rule changes. ¶ In response to Coach Anderson's concern that girls' sports are often not given the same publicity as boys sports, a report was shown on WAOW-TV Channel 9 from Wausau, several weeks ago. Karen |
| 2/8/1973 | Agriculture & Environment | AREA MAN IS GIVEN AWARD "Taylor County Soil and Water Conservation District Supervisors held their monthly meeting in the agriculture building, Medford, February 1. ¶ Present were supervisor George Lewandowski, Gus Kowalczyk and Vernon Brecke. ¶ ...In a brief ceremony, Isadore Bonde of Rib Lake was presented a plaque by George Lewandowski, Chairman of the District Supervisors, for his outstanding work in carrying out a wildlife |

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| 2/8/1973 | Businesses | NOW OPEN - COIN-OPERATED CAR WASH "Self-service with wax, open 7 days a week during regular working hours. Located on corner of 102 and Main Street at Roger's Service Center, Rib Lake." |
| 2/8/1973 | War - Soldiers & Spirit | GERMAN SETTLEMENT GOSSIP "Once again our nation is at peace, and our young men are not subject to a military draft. It is a good feeling. ¶ A cloudy Groundhog Day means 6 more weeks of winter, which we are sure of every February 2, cloudy or not...¶ At Zion church Monday, Rev. Meyer gave a very inspiring sermon on "the women at the well." The choir was present to sing. A prayer of thanksgiving for peace was offered. The newly-elected councilmen were installed, and the congregation welcomed Mrs. Dennis Lind as a newly-confirmed member of the church. Sunday school has been organized, and Mrs. Darrell Lind and Mrs. Carl Meier will serve as teachers." |
| 2/8/1973 | Clubs/Orders | RIB LAKE NEWS - ROYAL NEIGHBORS MEET "The regular monthly meeting of the Royal Neighbors was held last Tuesday evening at the Emil Miller, Jr., home. Thirteen members were present. After the business meeting, bingo was played. Mrs. Mike Schwartz won the black-out prize. Mrs. Gertrude Marschke is a new member." |

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| 2/15/1973 | Sports & Schools | IN OVERTIME - REDMEN DOWN MARATHON "In thrilling overtime, the Redmen came through to win their 4th ballgame of the season. Four free-throws and field goal, while holding their opponents scoreless in the extra minutes of play, allowed Rib Lake to defeat Marathon by a score of 67-61. ¶ It was close and exciting throughout the game, with the Redmen out-rebounding Marathon 66-30. This large advantage probably made the difference, as the Redmen were able to get many second and third shots. ¶ Mark Stibbe had a record-tying 29 rebounds, while Bill Becker had 16. Kevin Klemm and Gary Thums came off the bench to play three good quarters of ball." |
| 2/15/1973 | Rib Lake Herald & Politics | EDITORIAL - SEEKING DEATH "A bill was introduced in the Wisconsin State Senate last week seeking a mandatory death penalty for those convicted of killing policemen, firemen or state correction employees. Another bill was also introduced into the assembly seeking a state-wide referendum on the death penalty. ¶ The bill in the Senate calls for the death penalty for murder of public officers: contract murderers, death by explosive, assassination; while attempting rape, arson, robbery or burglary; during the course of kidnapping or hijacking. ¶ It is hard to prove that the death penalty was ever a deterrant to a crime. However, it is hard to conceive that this is "cruel or usual punishment" since the victim may also have considered it cruel to die as an overt act of such a criminal. ¶ The real cause of many murderers may be greatly reduced by another bill introduced last week calling for the end of sale of handguns with barrels under 4 inches. |
| 2/15/1973 (cont) | Rib Lake Herald & Politics (cont) | ¶ The big problem is that this bill does not go far enough. The greatest single cause of murder in the United States is the handgun. 80% of all violent deaths are caused by this one weapon. It was a handgun that struck down Senator Robert Kennedy, and crippled Governor George Wallace. ¶ The handgun has no place or need in this society. It serves little or no usefulness to the sportsmen, and only provides a concealable weapon for the criminal or would-be criminal. ¶ Banning the handgun in total would not seriously threaten any sportsman's use of firearms, or rifles and shotguns that come in a category to be concealed. The handgun contributes so little to the sport of shooting that its danger to society outweighs any pleasure so derived. ¶ Any so-called infringement on the sportsman brings |
| 2/15/1973 | Rib Lake Herald & Rib Lake - Village | RIB LAKE NEWS By Mrs. George Thums; Phone 427-5735. "The Holy Name Society of St. John's Church held elections Feb. 8 at the church hall. Elected president was Robert Eisner, vice president - Donald Dums; treasurer - Wayne Bullis; and secretary - Frank Yanko. The Society again hosted a public card party Feb. 11. ¶ Members of 4-H club gathered at the Lutheran Church Saturday morning where they left by cars to attend an outing at the Perkinstown Recreational Center. Other 4-H clubs in Taylor County also attended. Joining the St. John's CCD group last Wednesday evening were the Westboro and Chelsea groups. Volunteers accompanied them and served lunch. ¶ Mrs. Oscar Olson is a patient at St. Joseph's Hospital, Marshfield, after falling at her home and breaking |

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| 2/15/1973 (cont) | Rib Lake Herald & Rib Lake - Village (cont) | ¶ The shoe factory employees have hosted two pink and blue showers during their noon-hours recently. Guests of honor were Geri Brahmer and Jeff Thums. ¶ Sally Strebe is the new office girl working at the village hall, assisting Clerk Carl Holzwarth. ¶ Mike Hales, son of Dick Hales, who is in a medical unit of the Marine Corps, and stationed in North Carolina, and Marjery McGowen, Boise, Idaho, were married last Saturday in the Marine base chapel. ¶ The regular monthly meeting of the Legion Auxiliary was held Wednesday evening in the library basement. Hostesses were Lucille Hanson and Evelyn Leonhardt. ¶ A surprise birthday party for Jerry Gilge was held at his home Saturday evening. ¶ Mr. and Mrs. George Thums, Jan and Jayne, visited the Arnold Genglers at Medford Sunday. ¶ The Dorset Neighbors will host the Ekman's birthday party at the Golden Age Nursing Home Feb. 15. |
| 2/15/1973 (cont) | Rib Lake Herald & Rib Lake - Village (cont) | ¶ Merle Ingram, sales representative for Universal Machine Company, was a guest at the Feb. 6 meeting of the Rib Lake Civic & Commercial Club, being introduced by H. Roger Johnson. The meeting was held at Bob & Bette's Spirit Lake Tavern. Douglas Thums, Rib Lake Trailer Court, was also a guest for the evening. ¶ Fred Mielke is a patient at the Marshfield Hospital, being admitted Friday, Feb. 9." |
| 2/15/1973 | Obituary | FANNIE NORLIN, 86, DIES "Funeral services were held Feb. 13 at the Ogema Baptist Church for Mathilda (Fannie) Norlin, 86, who died Feb. 9 at Taylor County Memorial Hospital. Rev. Dennis Sundeen officiated at the 1:30 services and burial, which took place in the Garden of Memories Cemetery, Town of Hill. ¶ Mathilda S. Levine was born Apr. 30, 1886, in Sweden. She came to the Ogema area in 1893, where she lived with her parents on a farm. Her marriage to Oscar Norlin took place Sept. 2, 1907, at Prentice. They resided on a farm in Ogema until the time of his death in 1965. Since that time, Fannie Norlin has lived with the Bruce Carlson family of Ogema. ¶ Survivors include three brothers, Gust Levine, Rib Lake; Joseph Levine and Harry Levine of Ogema; 3 sisters, Ebba, Mrs. Herman Nelson; and Esther, Mrs. Frank Olson of Ogema; and Edith, Mrs. Bert Wickstrom of |
| 2/15/1973 | Law | STATE HIGHWAY SIGN LAW IS CLARIFIED "According to D.E. Gordon, chief maintenance engineer, at District 6 Division of Highways, Eau Claire, many questions have arisen regarding the new Wisconsin highway law that went into effect March 18, 1972. ¶ A permit application form is required to be submitted to the Wisconsin Dept. of Transportation, Division of Highways, and a fee is to be charged for every sign that is erected along interstate and primary highway routes outside of incorporated areas, regardless of the size or owner of the sign. |

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| 2/15/1973 | Businesses | MARLIN WALBECK "Invitation to Beauty, Tri-State Homes ¶ "Home ownership made easy the Tri-State way, 10 designs and 40 floor plans. ¶ Tri-State Homes is dedicated to giving you the best efficiency, comfort, convenience, beauty and satisfaction you can get for your home investment. ¶ It's quick and it's easy. You can choose from 10 basic living-tested designs - choose from a large combination of features and options - and get that "custom touch." ¶ Add to the quality afforded by factory-supervised construction - plus the material savings from buying in factory quantities - and you are sure to get more for your home investment." ¶ Contact Marlin Walbeck, Phone 427-5843." |
| 2/22/1973 | Highways | HIGHWAY PLANS ARE OUTLINED "Plans for improvement of STH 13 from one mile south of Chelsea to north of the Taylor County line are nearing completion, as announced by the Eau Claire district office of the Wisconsin Division of Highways. ¶ The new highway will remain on or near the existing roadway where possible, so that social, economic and environmental effects are minimized. This will allow use of nearly all of the existing right-of-way, and reduce the amount of additional woods and farmlands that must be acquired. Developed properties were avoided wherever possible. To avoid damage to the heavily-developed area in the community of Westboro, a bypass will be constructed around the west side of Westboro (see map). Access to Westboro will be provided by existing STH 13 from the south and north, and CTH D from the west. The existing Silver Creek bridge will remain in place while the bridge over the Soo Line Railroad will be removed. The town road south of Silver Creek bridge will be improved..." |
| 2/22/1973 | Obituary & Westboro | SUSIE FRANCK "Susie Alvira Franck, 79, died at the Golden Age Nursing Home, Rib Lake. Funeral services were conducted Monday at First Lutheran Church, Westboro. Burial took place in Mount Olive Cemetery. ¶ Susie Armstrong was born Apr. 23, 1893, at Barron, Wis. In 1920, she moved to Tripoli and was employed in the veneer mill. She was married to Claude Franck July 31, 1924. They moved to Laona and later made their home in Rhinelander before moving to Westboro in 1939. ¶ Survivors include one daughter, Violet, Mrs. Earl Thums; two |
| 2/22/1973 | Obituary & Greenwood | JAMES MCCLUSKEY "James Joseph McCluskey, 66, Route 2, Medford, died Friday, Feb. 16, at St. Joseph's Hospital, Marshfield. ¶ Funeral services were conducted Feb. 19, from Assumption Catholic Church, Chelsea. Burial took place in St. Ann's Catholic Church Cemetery in the Town of Greenwood. ¶ James Joseph McCluskey was born Nov. 8, 1906, in the Town of Greenwood. He was married to Christina Schabel Dec. 4, 1928. Employed as a woodsman until 1950, they then moved to Milwaukee, where he worked with the Continental Can Company as a lift-truck operator. He retired and move to Chelsea in 1972. ¶ Surviving are his wife, Christina; one daughter; Sherry McCluskey, Milwaukee; four sons, Roger, Livingston, Montana; Robert, Wausau; Raymond, Grafton; and |

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| 3/1/1973 | J.J. Kennedy & family | KENNEDY DIES IN OREGON "Elbert C. Kennedy passed away Feb. 18, 1973, at the Benedictine Nursing Center, Mount Angel, Oregon, where he had made his home for the past 8-/12 years. ¶ Rib Lake was founded by his father, John J. Kennedy, who started a mill in the town. Elbert C. Kennedy was the first child born in Rib Lake, Jan. 5, 1884. He is the last of his generation. ¶ Mr. Kennedy is survived by a nephew and a niece, Mr. Jack McDougall, Los Altos, California; and Mrs. Joseph Herron, from Portland, Oregon. ¶ Funeral services were Feb. 22, 1973, in Portland, Oregon. Vault interment will be in Riverview Cemetery, Portland, Oregon." |
| 3/8/1973 | Politics & Rib Lake - Village | VILLAGE PRESIDENT PRIMARY REVEALS CLOSE RACE "Results from the primary election in the Village of Rib Lake were totaled by approximately one-half hour after polls closed on Tuesday evening. ¶ In the race for president of the Rib Lake village board, the incumbent, Wayne Bullis, received 89 votes. George Buksa trailed very close behind with a total of 88 votes, while John Falkhoff received 68 votes. ¶ Bullis and Buksa will compete in |
| 3/8/1973 | People | MARTIN TO SPEAK AT APPRECIATION DINNER "Amos Martin, St. Paul, Minnesota, will be the main speaker March 15 at the Florena Supper Club, where a dinner will be held in appreciation of Rib Lake area business development. Martin, executive vice president of the St. Paul Chamber of Commerce, and a member of the Board of Regents of the US Chamber of Commerce, is a graduate of the Rib Lake High School and the University of |
| 3/8/1973 | Library | MRS. L. THUMS ON ADVISORY COMMITTEE "The Wisconsin Valley Library Service has appointed Mrs. Lillian Thums, Rib Lake, to serve on the advisory committee of librarians. This appointment is made for one year, March 1, 1973, through Feb. 28, 1974. The responsibility of this committee is to act in an advisory capacity on planning and policy to the service staff, the executive committee and the board of trustees..." |
| 3/8/1973 | People | RIB LAKE NEWS "Irwin Stelling drove to Eau Claire over the weekend and visited his son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. John Stelling, Mrs. John Stelling was hospitalized in Eau Claire Hospital. ¶ Mrs. Fritz Knop is caring for Angela Stelling while her mother is hospitalized. ¶ Weekend visitors at the Fritz Knops were Mr. and Mrs. George Sterzinger, Colby; the Al Knops, Marshfield, and Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Unich and daughters, Susie and Mary |
| 3/8/1973 | People | DELORR HAYWARD RETIRES "Miss DeLorr Hayward, Green Bay, a former Rib Lake resident, has retired Feb. 2 after spending 40 years in social service and placing adopted children. ¶ She was employed as county welfare director at Medford before WWII. ¶ Upon her retirement early this month, her direct service unit has published 4 writings under the title: "Adoption...Conversation with DeLorr Hayward" and presented her with a bound copy and reserved 100 paperbacks for distribution. ¶ She was awarded a certificate of merit from the governor, and received a letter from the Department's secretary, who was an acquaintance while working in Medford, Dec. 9. She was chosen by the Green Bay Baha'i Community to receive the human rights award for "over 25 years of extensive work for the welfare of adopted and foster children, especially those hard to place, of mixed racial background, and those |

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| 3/8/1973 | People | GEORGE ZONDLO CELEBRATES BIRTHDAY ON SUNDAY "George Zondlo, Sr., was honored Sunday afternoon with a surprise birthday party by relatives and friends at their establishment. ¶ A beautiful cake was baked by Sandra (Polacek) Hanson, Tomahawk, who, with her husband and children, and the Tom Polaceks, made this happy occasion for George possible. ¶ The Zondlo children present were James Zondlo and family, Eugene Zondlo and Joe Slotoski, Minneapolis; George, Jr., of Milwaukee; Bob Gumz's of Marshfield, and Dr. Joseph Zondlo and family, Green Bay. Unable to be present were Jerry Zondlo, Superior; and John Zondlo, who are stationed in the Phillipines. ¶ The establishment was, of course, Zondlo's Bar and Ballroom. George, Sr., and his brother, Frank, and their spouses were the proud proprietors. It was the center of 'rough figurin'." |
| 3/15/1973 | Clubs/Orders | LUCKY LAKERS CLUB PRESENT 4-H PLAY "THE CUP OF STRENGTH" "This Thursday, Mar. 15, at 2:00 p.m. the Lucky Lakers 4-H Club will present their drama entry, "A Cup of Strength," at the junior high school at 8:00 p.m. at Medford in county competition. ¶ The March 1 meeting was held at the Methodist social hall. Roll call was taken, with everyone naming their favorite winter sport. ¶ Nancy Meyer informed the club that the speech contest will be held in November each year due to many other activities in spring...¶ Members of the club decided |
| 3/15/1973 (Cont) | Clubs/Orders (cont) | ¶ The club decided as a new community project to individually "adopt a grandparent" at the Golden Age Home, preferably one who does not receive many visitors. ¶ The "grandparents" will be visited and will have cards sent to them on their birthdays and holidays. ¶ The speaking contest participants were reminded to start thinking of their topics for the April 13 speaking contest. They will be given at the next meeting. ¶ Dave Schirmer was welcomed as a new member of the club. His father, Herb Schirmer, was a guest for the evening. ¶ The meeting concluded with |
| 3/15/1973 | Agriculture & Businesses | DEMAND FOR GINSENG HIGH IN RECENT YEARS "Demand for ginseng roots has exceeded the supply in recent years, resulting in a significant price increase and renewed interest in growing ginseng commercially. ¶ However, UW plant pathologist E.K. Wade, advises against growing ginseng. It is very difficult to grow and production costs can be exceedingly high. Ginseng must be grown under shade, and it takes 5-7 years to grow the roots to maturity. ¶ A half dozen or more diseases can attack and destroy the crop, and plants must be sprayed at regular intervals with a fungicide to check infections. Dampening off of small seedling plants by organisms in the soil is very common. There are also at least 4 root diseases that can take their toll. Add to this list two foliage blights and wilt disease, and there is a formidable array of infections that can reduce root yield and quality. ¶ |
| 3/15/1973 (cont) | Agriculture & Businesses (cont) | ¶ Most ginseng in the United States is grown or dug in Wisconsin and exported to the Chinese and Koreans, who believe the dried root has medicinal value. American ginseng is a freshly-rooted herb, native to cool and shady hardwood forests. Wisconsin plants furnish roots of good size, weight and shape, and are generally considered the best breeding stock. Cultivated roots are heavier and more uniform than wild roots, but they command a lower |

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| 4/5/1973 | Politics | NEW PRESIDENT IS ELECTED IN VILLAGE "Village of Rib Lake. ¶ In the race for president of the Village of Rib Lake: George Buksa with 196 votes won over incumbent Wayne Bullis, who had 157 votes. Village trustees elected were Gordon Gehrt-195, Vernon Bruegl-205, and Walter Wilhelms-218. Duane Warner had 177 votes and Phil Schwartz 155. Carl Holzwarth, unopposed, was elected clerk-treasurer with 264 votes. ¶ TOWN OF RIB LAKE "Winning the race for town chairman was Marlin Walbeck-142 votes. Adolph Vlach had 58. The two supervisors elected were Clayton Kauer-128, and Stanley Resudek, Sr.-107. Dick Gordon had 74 votes. Kenneth Hein holds the assessor duties, he received 178. Steve Olah received 178 votes to remain treasurer, and Lavern Zuege-169 votes to remain clerk. ¶ SCHOOL BOARD DISTRICT 1 "School board members from the Town of Rib |
| 4/5/1973 | Rib Lake - Village | NEW POLICE CAR ARRIVED IN THE VILLAGE THURSDAY AFTERNOON MARCH 29. "When the necessary paperwork is completed and the police equipment is transferred from Police Chief George Thums' car, the new car will be used for police duties. ¶ Up until this time, all cars used by present police officers had been purchased and maintained solely by Thums, and he was reimbursed with a car allowance. Thums stated that on several occasions the car allowance had been called incorrectly by the village clerk and published as wages. ¶ Under the new setup, the village will pay all expenses involving the car, which will be used on a 24-hour basis." |
| 4/5/1973 | Obituary & Westboro | MRS. RADEMACHER "Florence O. Rademacher, a former Westboro resident, died April 5 at Stanford University Medical Center, Palo Alto, California. ¶ Mrs. Rademacher, 76, (Florence Von Oldershausen) was born Aug. 17, 1896. She came to the Westboro area about 1918 from Oconomowoc, Wis. Her marriage to Oscar Rademacher took place Oct. 2, 1915, at Milwaukee. During the time she made her home in Westboro she was a music instructor, giving piano lessons in the Westboro-Ogema area, and was a legal secretary for her husband, who was a lawyer at Medford for many years. He preceded her in death in 1964. She moved to California to make her home there in July, 1971. ¶ Surviving children include two daughters and two sons: Dr. Hanse, Mrs. Stuart Patience, Willmette |
| 4/5/1973 (cont) | Obituary & Westboro (cont) | ¶ In addition to her husband, she was preceded in death by two daughters, 1 grandchild and one sister. ¶ Funeral services were conducted Apr. 10 from the Mannel Funeral Home. ¶ Burial was in the Westboro Cemetery. Rev. <u>Luther Jacobson conducted the services. Pallbearers were Louis Zimmermann, Darrell Rademacher and Duane</u> |
| 4/19/1973 | Fire & Environment | FIRE TO BE USED TO IMPROVE HABITAT "Fire will be used as a management tool within the next few weeks for the improvement of habitat for sharp-tail grouse and waterfowl, and for the reproduction of balsam fir and aspen. The Wisconsin Dept. of Natural Resources is planning to burn approximately 770 acres within the Pershing wildlife area, and the US Forest Service, together, will be burning about 15 acres within the vicinity of the Beaver Creek portion of the Chequamegon waters. ¶ Controlled fire benefits wildlife by maintaining desirable vegetational stages that are most productive for birds and mammals. Sharp-tail grouse and waterfowl depend on |

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| 4/19/1973 | Law | ZONING IS DISCUSSED "Earl Kilby, Taylor County Zoning Administrator, reminds property owners of the existing county and state rules to regulate building, sanitary waste disposal systems, shoreline development, and creation of subdivisions. ¶ Reasonable land use controls to protect the environment have been formulated in the 1968 Taylor County Sanitary Code, and subdivision control ordinance in the 1971 Shoreland Zoning Ordinance. Certain permits are required and are obtained from the office of zoning administration in the county courthouse. ¶ Before deciding where to build or where to locate mobile homes on land presently owned, soil borings and water percolation tests must be made to determine if the soil will support a sanitary waste disposal system. ¶ Before buying land, soil boring and percolation tests should be made. The Wisconsin DNR advises prospective buyers of |
| 5/3/1973 | Politics & Rib Lake - Village | PAUL HOHL NAMED VILLAGE TRUSTEE "At the April 24 meeting of the village board, Paul Hohl was sworn in as a new board trustee. Hohl is taking the seat of Douglas Polacek, who had resigned at an earlier date. ¶ President Buksa appointed 7 committees; they are: streets and utilities, Wilhelms and Melaski; finance, ways and means, Melaski and Hohl; parks, lakes and recreation, Clifford and Gehrt; health and social services, Gehrt and Bruegl; industrial development, building and grounds, Bruegl and Clifford; fire and police, Hohl and Wilhelms; library, Clifford. ¶ The Board approved a motion to have village-owned gas pumps installed for the use of all |
| 5/3/1973 (cont) | Politics & Rib Lake - Village (cont) | ¶ The Rainbow Lodge on Lake Cochran near Boulder Junction has purchased the village weed cutter. Representatives from the lodge appeared at the board meeting to discuss leasing or buying the cutter, and after a lengthy discussion, it was the board's decision to sell the cutter for \$6,200. The village will also have a 5-year retaining period in contract for free use of the weed cutter, if needed, for use in Rib Lake. ¶ Nine applications for alcohol and malt beverage licenses were approved; they are: Swiantek's, Inc.; Butch's Bar; Lakeside Tavern; |
| 5/3/1973 | Schools & Education | MARY MELASKI IS SPELLING WINNER "Mary Melaski became the champion of the 9th annual spelling contest Thursday evening, April 26, at Rib Lake Junior High School. Phillip Meyer is the runner-up. He misspelled the word proscenium. Miss Melaski spelled the word correctly, went on to spell catamaran, and was presented with the championship trophy. Phillip was awarded the runner-up trophy. ¶ "Twenty-four students participated in the contest. Brad Klemm, Dorothy Becker, Donna Biesiek, Phillip Meyer, Peggy Carroll, and Jeff Koch represented grade 5. From grade 6 the spellers were Dean Rhody, Gayle Peterson, Laurie Koch, Kenneth Matyka, Patti Berger and Bonnie Acker. 7th-graders in the contest were: Julie Scott, Rhonda Miller, Joleen Klemm, Danny Blomberg, |
| 5/3/1973 (cont) | Schools & Education (cont) | ¶ Mrs. Rolland Thums served as pronouncer, and judges were Miss Bernice Stellick and Mrs. Dick Upjohn. Musical entertainment was presented during intermission by the junior high choir, under the direction of Mrs. Joan Magnuson. ¶ Mrs. Carol Kobielush was Mary Melaski's coach, and Mrs. Curtis Patrick coached Phillip Meyer. |

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| 5/3/1973 | Camp Forest Springs | CAMP FOREST SPRINGS INSPIRATIONAL RETREAT "A weekend retreat for in-depth Bible study will be offered May 4-6 at the inspirational retreat to be held at Camp Forest Springs this week. One may attend either the entire weekend, or individual sessions. These non-sectarian Bible studies and group discussions will center around the Bible book of Romans. ¶ According to Richard W. Neale, director of Camp Forest Springs, Rev. John Stoll, the teacher for the retreat, is one of the most popular Bible expositors in the United States. Rev. Stoll has a wide background of experience as a pastor, college professor, and college administrator. He currently serves as head of |
| 5/3/1973 | Rib Lake - Village & Politics | LEGAL NOTICE - VILLAGE OF RIB LAKE BOARD MEETING MINUTES OF MEETING APRIL 10, 1973 "Meeting called to order at 6:30 p.m. by President Bullis. ¶ Motion by Thums, second by Clifford to dispense with reading minutes of last meeting. Motion carried. ¶ Treasurer's report: General fund-\$25,962.24; Savings account-\$6,000; Water fund-\$1,257.40; Sewer fund-\$1,884.95; General bills paid-3/15 to 3/30/1973 - Joint school district #1-\$46.26; Larry's Mobil-\$5.65...¶ With the recommendation of President Bullis, it was the board's decision to re-hire Stanley Hebda, Jr., on the village crew. He had resigned to accept other employment. ¶ President Bullis reported that after one day on the other job, Hebda was advised by his doctor not to stay on that job. ¶ Motion by |
| 5/3/1973 | Businesses & People | GOLDEN AGE HOME NEWS "Winning blackout prizes in Tuesday's bingo were Elsie Golder, Exxie Schauss and William Gessert. ¶ A 4-H group, under the direction of Mrs. Edwin Thums and Mrs. Emery Peterson, put up Easter decorations in the lobby and also handed candy to the residents. ¶ Easter tray favors were given by the Business and Professional Women's Club of Medford. ¶ Mr. and Mrs. Edward Wilson, Ashland, visited his sister one day last week, Olga Wilson. ¶ Among numerous visitors who were here the past week were Mrs. Val Holz, Ed Prien, Clara Abbeglen, and sisters Bertha and Hilda; William Bientker, Mr. and Mrs. Augie Krueger, Mrs. Bernice Scott, Mrs. Lois Blumster and children, Mrs. Ernest Gerstberger, Clifford Peche, Spike Clendenning and Dee Donaldson.." |
| 5/3/1973 | Spirit & German Settlement | GERMAN SETTLEMENT By Mrs. Roy Meier, Phone 564-2698 "It was a busy time for maple syrup collectors, and for those who cooked it down. It brings many visitors to the area who are interested in watching this process. ¶ Scott Lind was baptized at services Sunday morning at Zion Lutheran Church. Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Lind were sponsors. ¶ The boys who went to Eagle River "Trees for Tomorrow" camp on Spirit youth forest scholarships, were Michael Nyberg, Mike Nelson, who lives on the former Borman place, and Mark Blazel, who lives on the former Wilfred Dahl place. Don Rhody took them and was their counselor. ¶ Mrs. Anna Brietzke, who made her home with the Chester Brietzke's at Irma, is a patient in the Sacred Heart Hospital in Tomahawk. ¶ Mr. and Mrs. |

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| 5/3/1973 (cont) | Spirit & German Settlement (cont) | ¶ The Easter lilies on the altar at Zion Lutheran Church were placed there in memory of Mrs. Lena Johnson by her family. ¶ Mr. and Mrs. Carl Meier visited her sister, Mrs. Roy Hirsch at Merrill on Thursday. ¶ Mrs. Eugene Erickson and Douglas, Prentice, Mrs. Andy Borg and Mrs. Roy Meier, visited with Mrs. Carl Meier Wednesday afternoon. ¶ Mr. and Mrs. Chuck Rhody and Brent, Eau Claire; the Gary Hansons, Poinette; and Mr. and Mrs. Russel Sarkinen, Stevens Point, spent the previous weekend at the Harold Rhody home. ¶ Mrs. Sadie Meier returned to her home here recently after spending the past three months at the Owen Meiers at Winneconne. ¶ The 8th class at Tripoli grade school will present their class play there Thursday evening, April 26, at 8:00 p.m. ¶ Mr. and Mrs. Laurie Blomberg and girls, Whitewater, Wis., were Saturday evening visitors at the Roy Meier home." |
| 5/3/1973 | People & Rib Lake Herald | RIB LAKE NEWS By Mrs. George Thums; Phone 427-5735. "Mrs. Marcella Rizzi is a patient at St. Joseph's Hospital in Marshfield, having been admitted on Monday of last week; she expects to be there another week. ¶ Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gibbons, Grafton, and Joseph Hebda, Milwaukee, spent the Easter holidays at the home of their mother, Mrs. Dorothy Hebda. ¶ Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Ford and Brian, Milwaukee, visited her parents, the Howard Lamonts, over the weekend. ¶ Kay Daniels, daughter of Joe Daniels, returned to Menomonie on Monday after visiting her parents for a week. Kay attends Stout Institute there. Also visiting here were Mr. and Mrs. Tom Daniels. They also visited her parents, the Clarence Meyers. ¶ Visiting the George Thustys, over the weekend, were ¶ Mrs. Edward Zondlo, Roger and Susie, accompanied Mrs. Opie Freeck to Montana, where they will visit Mrs. Freeck's mother. They plan to be gone for several weeks. Mrs. Ray Parks is filling in at the store in the absence of Mrs. Zondlo. ¶ The Rib Lake Volunteer Fire Dept. answered a fire call Thursday about 5:15, when a truck, belonging to Ray Becker, was reported on fire..." |
| 5/3/1973 (cont) | People & Rib Lake Herald (cont) | |
| 5/3/1973 | Agriculture | POLE BUILDINGS "Garages, machine sheds, barn additions or a new barn. Only one contract is needed to build, insulate, do all concrete and electrical work, and install the finest in ventilating and steel barn equipment. No crew to feed. Get a special price and a whole package deal. Matthews Implement Company. On Highway 64 in downtown Medford. Phone 748-4245. Residence 678-2010." |

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| 5/3/1973 | Rib Lake Herald | THE HERALD "Published every Thursday at Rib Lake, Wisconsin. Entered as second class mail at the post office at Rib Lake, Wis. 54470. Subscription \$4.25 per year. Single copies - 10 cents each. J.A. O'Leary, editor and publisher." |
| 5/3/1973 | Law | DISTRICT ATTORNEY ACTS ON CHECKS "Robert Rusch, District Attorney for Taylor County, has announced that his office has prepared a mailing for each Taylor County businessman concerning worthless checks. Mr. Rusch noted that a rising number of businesses are being victimized by those who write checks which the check-writing intends to be dishonored. The District Attorney said that he makes every effort to separate those who overdraw their account by mistake and those who actually intend to defraud. ¶ Section 943 of the Wisconsin Statutes provides it is a crime to write a check when it is intended not to be dishonored. But the District Attorney, in his letter to area businessmen, pointed out there are additional conditions that must be fulfilled before he can prosecute. A check must have been given for something furnished the check writer at the time he wrote the check. In addition, the District Attorney will prosecute checks only where the businessman himself has made reasonable efforts to gain collection." |
| 5/10/1973 | People | FORMER LAKER RESIDENT JOINS AUGUSTA BANK " Jack Budimlija, former Rib Lake resident, will soon be joining the staff at the Peoples State Bank in Augusta, Wisconsin. ¶ Budimlija was born and raised on the farm in Rib Lake. He served in the United States Navy for four years, after which he owned and operated the Gamble Store in Rib Lake. In 1962, he moved to Augusta, where he has owned a Gamble Store until recently. ¶ Working as a teller until he becomes acquainted with banking procedures, Budimlija will then be assisting in the loan department. He and his wife, Betty, have two daughters, Cindy, 16, and Melani, 15. Budimlija is the son of Mr. and |

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| 5/10/1973 | Environment & Schools | 8TH GRADE PARTICIPATES IN CONSERVATION PROGRAM. "All 8th grade students at the Rib Lake Junior High School will be participating in a scheduled conservation day program slated for May 10. ¶ Special instruction at the forest will be given by James O. Evrard, assistant area game manager; James Lealos, assistant area fish manager; Connie Waterman, district forest ranger. ¶ Planned as a culminating activity to broaden the conservation curriculum, the program is designed to provide students with first-hand experiences in our outdoor laboratory. Specialists in various conservation areas will provide expert knowledge related to their respective fields. ¶ Mrs. |
| 5/10/1973 | Clubs/Orders | TC HISTORICAL SOCIETY PLANS RIB LAKE MEETING "The Historical Society of Taylor County will meet at Rib Lake for its next meeting, scheduled for May 23 at 8:00 p.m. in the Rib Lake High School Cafeteria. A program has been planned by program chairman, Professor Donald D. Dennis of the university campus at Medford. ¶ Officers and directors recently elected Mrs. Duane D. Powers, president; Ellen Niblink, vice president; Frank Krueger remained in office as secretary, and Mrs. Evangeline Griesbach, treasurer. Directors at large are Bert Amiker, Don Dennis, Louis Kaye, Mrs. Edward McCarron, George Ruesch, Robert Rusch. Alternatives are Mrs. Edwin Thums and Mrs. Ludmilla Nixdorf." |
| 5/10/1973 | Rib Lake - Village | CEMETERY ASSOCIATION HOLDS ANNUAL MEETING MAY 2 "The annual meeting of the Lakeview Cemetery Association was held May 2 in the Rib Lake Village Hall. ¶ Officers re-elected were: President-Ed Martin; Clerk-Verl Bokath; Treasurer-George Zondlo; Directors, Donald Bartelt, Ed Christianson, and Ed Kelnhofer. ¶ A new board member, Elwood Bleck, was elected to fill the position of Ernest Tetzlaff. Tetzlaff has resigned after 20 years on the board. ¶ Edna Martin was reappointed financial secretary, and Herbert Heintz, sexton. ¶ Among other business, it was decided to allow only one ornament per grave starting two weeks after memorial day." |
| 5/10/1973 | Spirit & Obituary & People | rites HELD FOR LYDIA OLSON "Mrs. Lydia Olson, 71, a former Spirit resident, died May 5 at Rockford, Illinois, where she had made her home for the past 15 years. Funeral services were conducted May 8 from the Spirit Baptist Church, with Pastor Carl Grothkob conducting the rites. Burial was made in Hillcrest Cemetery, Spirit. ¶ Lydia Sommer was Nov. 14, 1901, at Spirit. She was married to Victor W. Olson. He preceded her in death. Mrs. Olson was a member of the Kilburn Avenue United Brethren in Christ Church in Rockford. ¶ Surviving relatives are her mother, Senzie Sommer, Beloit; one daughter, Geraldine Carpenter, Rockford..." |
| 5/10/1973 | Business | LITTLE BOHEMIA CAFÉ "Every Friday, starting May 11, all the fish you can eat, \$1.75. Includes French fries, coleslaw, buns and coffee or milk. 5:00-9:00 p.m." |

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| 5/10/1973 | Westboro | WESTBORO NEWS - SMELT FRY HUGE SUCCESS "Approximately 200 persons were served at the VFW clubhouse Sunday for the annual smelt fry. Merle Tervi, publicity chairman, stated everyone commented the meal was delicious. Serving started at 11:30 a.m. and continued throughout the afternoon. ¶ Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Vogt and son, Todd, Madison, attended the Rib Lake prom Friday evening. Mrs. Vogt is a sister of Miss Debbie Kobielush, who reigned as prom queen. ¶ Mrs. Alfred Kobielush drove her father, George Zutavern, Sr., to Marshfield Tuesday, where he had a checkup. ¶ Archie Hebert was released from the Medford Hospital Saturday. ¶ Joining Mr. and Mrs. Ken Smedegard at their farm property at Route 3, Medford, Saturday afternoon, were Mr. and Mrs. James |
| 5/10/1973 (cont) | Westboro (cont) | ¶ Inar Arkola is on vacation this week from the Hurd Millwork, Medford. ¶ Mr. and Mrs. John Rossi and Ernie Tervi, Jr., spent Monday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Olie Elstrom in Colby. They were supper guests and enjoyed an evening of cards. ¶ There was an evangelism workshop at St. John's Lutheran Church at Phillips, starting at 10:00 a.m. ¶ Phyllis and Mary Lundeen and Jody Rumberg were Wausau shoppers Saturday " |
| 5/10/1973 | Schools & Education | RL GRADUATION IS SET "Rib Lake High School will graduate 52 seniors at commencement exercises on Tuesday evening, May 22, at 8:00 p.m. Commencement exercises will be held from the high school gymnasium. ¶ The Rib Lake High School band will play the processional and recessional, the invocation and the benediction will be delivered by Rev. Richard Girt, pastor, St. John's parish of Rib Lake. ¶ Addresses will be delivered by the class valedictorian, Janis Donaldson, the class salutatorian, Deborah Olson, and by honor students Mary Hanke, Nancy Meyer and Mary Thieme. ¶ There will be musical numbers by members of the graduating class, and the class will sing the class song. The class will be presented by Robert C. Becker, school administrator, and diplomas will be presented by Andrew Holzl, member of the board of education. |
| 5/10/1973 (cont) | Schools & Education (cont) | ¶ ..Members of the class are; Carol Acker, Rick Anderson, Sharon Anderson, Ronald Becker, William Becker, William Bleck, Joanne Blumenstein, Daniel Carroll, Deborah Coltas, Eugene Cummings, Janis Donaldson, Jeffrey Dyrcez, Donald Eggert, William Eisner, Susan Fleischmann, Bruce Fuchs, Mary Hanke, Susan Hanke, Damon Harder, Lynn Heisler, Cynthia Judnic and James Klimeck. ¶ Deborah Kroll, Kevin Mannel, Debra Marschke, Nancy Meyer, Myron Miller, Karen Mohr, Paul Niggeman, Joseph Obenhoffer, Deborah, Karen Olson, Terrance Patrick, Richard Peterson, Russell Pfefferle, Gene Polacek, Jayne Quednow, Linda Rindt, Stephen Schrader, |
| 5/10/1973 | Library | LIBRARY SURVEY UNDERWAY "Questionnaires are being circulated through elementary, parochial and high schools by the Taylor County Library Planning Board, who is presently making a survey. In Rib Lake, the junior English classes will be sampled to determine how much is known about library services offered in Taylor County, and whether they should be improved to include telephone reference service, or book mailings, book-mobile, or other services. Questionnaires are also available at the local public libraries in Rib Lake and Westboro for those adults who will take the time to fill one out. This survey is for users as well as non-users of library. ¶ Members of the county library planning board were appointed by the county board of supervisors and are as follows: Mrs. Duane D. Powers of Rib Lake, Chairman; Miss Frances Hacewicz of Gilman, Vice Chairman; Mrs. Walter Meyer |

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| 5/10/1973 | Schools & Health | RL SCHOOL LUNCH MENU "Monday, 14-pizza, potato chips, buttered peas, carrot sticks, peach sauce, milk. ¶ Tuesday, 15-turkey roll on bun, potatoes, corn, celery sticks, cherry crisp, milk. ¶ Wesnesday, 16-macaroni, ground beef casserole, lettuce salad, bread, peanut butter, cookie, milk. ¶ Thursday, 17-beef stew, orange juice, cinnamon roll, apple sauce cake, milk. ¶ Friday, 18-oven fried chicken, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, carrot sticks. |
| 5/10/1973 | Westboro & Roads | RANCHO BAR SOLD "Many were on hand for the public sale of Rancho Bar, located north of Westboro, on May 2. The building and its contents were sold for \$350 to Loyal Nelson of Ogema. ¶ The building was sold by the Dept. of Transportation, Division of Highways, who had purchased it from Richard Noziska because of new highway plans for the location. ¶ Although the sale is subject to commission approval because of a \$1,000 minimum on pubic sales, the Division of Highways stated that the \$750 sale price will be accepted." |
| 5/10/1973 | German Settlement | GERMAN SETTLEMENT By Mrs. Roy Meier "Mr. and Mrs. Ed Schueller and girls, Tomahawk, spent last weekend with his folks, the Max Schuellers. ¶ Roy Meier attended an AMPI local meeting at the Dick Rindt home near Westboro, and Mrs. Meier was a guest at the Bible study group at the Inar Arkola home in Westboro. ¶ Dick Kring has again rounded up his crew for a short run of lumber sawing at the Albert Johnson mill. He does custom sawing and fills orders.¶ Roberta Heljen of Montelle, Iowa, has spent Easter weekend with her sister, Mrs. Marie Hoffman, and Nancy. ¶ Mr. and Mrs. Art Prochnow, Gilman, were brief callers at the Roy Meiers, and were supper guests at the Carl Meiers Wednesday. ¶ The Meier Road south of YY was flooded and badly washed out after the heavy rains last week. ¶ Roy Meier attended a Lincoln County Historical Society meeting at Tomahawk Sunday, and also called on Mrs. Anna Brietzke at the nursing home there. ¶ Handel Brothers of Medford have done some tree planting on their fields on the former Hogan place." |

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| 5/17/1973 | Rib Lake - Village & Politics | VILLAGE PLANNING COMMITTEE CHOSEN "At the May 8 meeting of the Rib Lake Village Board, President Buksa appointed the following to the village citizens planning committee; Jeanette Clendenning, Gene Eckhoff, Elizabeth Johnson, Judy Cihasky and Star Powers. The committee's main duties will be to search out and plan improvements needed for the village in the future. ¶ Robert Becker and Ray Schreiner appeared before the board, requesting permission for the American Legion to re-wire the village-owned building at the park. ¶ The board made a decision to terminate the employment of Krueger and Thums as village attorneys, effective June 30. Robert Rusch will be the village attorney, effective July 1. ¶ The board has decided to look into the possibility of having separate police, water, sewer and sanitation departments. The Rib Lake Cemetery Association's annual report was presented to the board by Edwin Martin. ¶ A motion was passed to replace the present outdoor lighting at the park with mercury lights." |
| 5/17/1973 | Schools | 8TH GRADE TO TAKE CLASS TRIP ON SATURDAY "The Rib Lake 8th grade class will be participating in their annual spring class trip on Saturday, May 19. ¶ This year the class will be visiting the Circus World Museum at Baraboo, Wisconsin. The museum houses much of the original Ringling Brothers equipment, and boasts live circus performance, along with steam and air calliope concerts. ¶ At noon the class will be picnicking at one of the Dell's area facilities. ¶ In the afternoon the trip will be concluded with an amphibious duck tour of the scenic Wisconsin River. This adventure takes in the land sites as well as the usual river tour. ¶ Accompanying the 8th |
| 5/17/1973 | Clubs/Orders | AREA 4-H CLUB NEWS - LUCKY LAKERS 4-H CLUB "Larry Bjork, Taylor County 4-H agent, was a visitor at the May 3 meeting of the Lucky Lakers 4-H club. Bjork spoke on his recent trip to Russia. ¶ The need for flowers in the 4-H planters was discussed. ¶ A 4-H community cleanup is scheduled for May 24 after school. Chris Cihasky is in charge of organization. Groups will meet at the Lutheran Church and return there later for refreshments. ¶ The next meeting will be held at the Methodist Social Hall. The lunch committee will be the Melaski and Meyer families. This news submitted by Nancy Melaski, club reporter. ¶ BUSY BEAVERS 4-H CLUB "At the May 1 meeting of the Busy Beavers 4-H club, members decided to plant trees at Hilbert's on May 5. If everyone was in agreement, they would visit the sawmill after their planting projects. ¶ A discussion was held about 4-H camp. Anyone planning to go must pay Darrell Lind \$2 by May 25. This news submitted by club reporter, Bonnie Quednow." |

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| 5/17/1973 | Library & Rusch | <p>LIBRARY RECEIVES NEW BOOKS "A unique mission effort was completed in north Wisconsin and upper Michigan on May 17. The Lutheran Women's Missionary League of the North Wisconsin District of the Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod, presented the following volumes of Christian literature to 152 public libraries: <i>This is Luther; Kitty, My Rib; Genes, Genesis and Evolution; The Book of Conquer; What Luther Says? - a 3-volume anthology; Little Visits with God; More Little Visits with God.</i> ¶ A few libraries did not receive all of the books because they already had some of them. These works were selected to fit into the various departments of the library. They include biographical, scientific, resource, theological, and children's materials. ¶ Mrs. Conrad Roder officially represented the league and presented the books to the Rib Lake Library in a special ceremony. The total retail value of the books distributed to the communities in north Wisconsin and upper Michigan exceeds \$9,000."</p> |
| 6/7/1973 | German Settlement & Spirit | <p>GERMAN SETTLEMENT "A large crowd attended the Memorial Day exercise at the town hall and cemetery. A very fitting program had been arranged. The young people in the band and others in the singing groups did well. We enjoyed hearing Paul Hedstrom sing. Fr. Girt, from Rib Lake, gave a meaningful address. It was the first peace-time observance in 10 years, with no boys overseas at this time. We are wondering who the first person or organization was to promote Memorial Day in Spirit? It has been an annual affair for over 75 years, we are sure, but have no way of knowing who helped organize the first one. ¶ The Kauer families of Milwaukee have been spending some</p> |
| 6/7/1973 (cont) | German Settlement & Spirit (cont) | <p>¶ Mr. and Mrs. John Skagerberg, Mrs. Andy Borg, and their house-guest brothers and sisters, and their brother-in-law from Washington, were coffee guests at the Roy Meier home late Monday, after a tour of the Yesterday House. ¶ Mrs. Marie Hoffman enjoyed a trip to Montello, Iowa, over the weekend, and attended her high school class reunion. ¶ Mr. and Mrs. Roy Meier called on Mrs. Ruth Stolle in Tripoli Monday evening. ¶ Tim Meier spent the</p> |
| 6/7/1973 | Obituary | <p>NORMAN CARL KUTZKE "Normal Carl Kutzke, Route 1, Rib Lake, died May 26, at Memorial Hospital, Medford, where he was taken that day by ambulance. He was 65. ¶ Mr. Kutzke was born Feb. 7, 1908, at Milwaukee, moving to Rib Lake as a small child, living on the farm where he made his home the entire time he lived in Rib Lake, except for a short time when he worked in Chicago and New York. He had been employed at the Harvey Company, Medford,1964. ¶ Mr. Kutzke was married to Mary Heindl Oct. 14, 1914, at Chicago. He was a member of the Lutheran Church. ¶ Survivors include his wife, Mary, 9 children - Rhonda Unick, Oshkosh; Alfred Unich, Wausau; Norman Kutzke, Eau Claire; Carol Kutzke, Milwaukee; Mary Lynn Kutzke, Rib Lake; Lauria, Mrs. William Schreiner, Rib Lake; Randy, Frank and Gary at home; and three grandchildren. ¶ Funeral services were</p> |

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| 6/7/1973 | Rib Lake - Village & Businesses | VILLAGE SHOWS BUILDING PROGRESS "The Village of Rib Lake has been showing progress lately with the addition of some new buildings. Four homes and a lumber company have been constructed in the past two months. All of the buildings are located west of McComb Ave., Rib Lake's Main Street. Three of the homes are a preconstructed type of building. ¶ The Lavern Olsons are now residing in the new Wausau home at 827 Front Street. The home, built on the original Olson homestead, arrived on April 13. Olson is employed by Cooper Cheese in Westboro; his wife, Shirley, is employed by Gem Products in Rib Lake. They have one daughter, Karen, who is a 1972 graduate of Rib Lake High School. Before moving to their new house, the Olsons lived on McComb Ave. ¶ The third home was put up by the Dennis Johnson family, formerly of Medford. The building arrived on May 10 and was erected by Danny Paul. Mrs. Johnson is the former Marion McGuire. ¶ Beda Gessert's three-bedroom home on Kennedy Street is being constructed by Stewart's Lumber Company. The home is expected to be completed this weekend, and a garage added at a later time. Mrs. Gessert moved to Rib Lake from Johnson Creek, Wis.; her husband, William, is a resident of the Golden Age Nursing Home. ¶ Stewart's Lumber Company, presently located on McComb Avenue, will soon be located on Kennedy Street. The lumber yard, owned by Leroy Stewart, will consist of a showroom, office, storage room, and storage sheds. The metal-covered, straight wall, rafter building is |
| 6/7/1973 (cont) | Rib Lake - Village & Business (cont) | |
| 6/7/1973 | Westboro & Highway & Railroads - Wis. Central | HEARING ON RR CROSSING TO BE HELD IN MADISON "On May 15, 1973, the Wisconsin Dept. of Transportation, Division of Highways, filed a petition with the Commission under Sec. 195.29, Wis. Stats., to establish a new crossing of tracks of the Soo Line Railroad Company by means of a highway overpass structure in connection with proposed relocation of STH 13, west of the unincorporated community of Westboro, Taylor |
| 6/7/1973 (cont) | Westboro & Highway & Railroads - Wis. Central (cont) | ¶ A notice has been given that the Commission will investigate the petition and hold a public hearing in Room 416, Hill Farms office building, 4802 Sheboygan Avenue, on June 27, at 1:00 p.m. Further notice is given that the Commission deems it necessary in order to carry out its duties herein to investigate the books, accounts, practices and activities of the Soo Line Railroad Company, and the expenses incurred or to be incurred by the Commission, which are reasonably attributable to such investigation, will be assessed against and collected from the Soo Line Railroad Company, in accordance with the provisions of Sec 196.85, Wis. Stats., and Chapter Pfc. 5, Wisconsin Administrative Code." |
| 6/7/1973 | Law & Environment | DNR PAYS IN LIEU OF TAXES "Checks amounting to over \$408,000 were mailed recently by the Wis. Dept. of Natural Resources (DNR) to 569 local communities in the state as payment in lieu of property taxes on game, fish and forestry lands. ¶ The DNR has been making these payments to compensate communities for losses in tax revenue, since 1964, when a total of \$198,000 was distributed. ¶ The Town of Winter in Sawyer County received the largest single share with \$15,319, followed by Millston in Jackson County with \$12,095. Three other state communities received shares in excess of \$10,000. They were Boulder Junction and Plum Lake in Vilas County, and Eagle in Waukesha County. ¶ The payments are made in two methods. On lands purchased by the DNR prior |

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| 6/7/1973 (cont) | Law & Environment (cont) | ¶ On lands purchased by the Department after July 1, 1969, a formula payment, based on assessed valuation of the property, is made as directed by the 1970 Orap-200 law. The formula provides for 10 annual payments starting the first year at 100%, and decreasing by 10% each succeeding year. ¶ A total of 14,520 acres of land were acquired by the DNR during the period of May 2, 1971, to May 2, 1972. Based on an assessed valuation of \$1,005,425, the current formula payments on these recently acquired lands totaled \$40,515 or \$21.41 per acre." |
| 6/7/1973 | Clubs/Orders | ROYAL NEIGHBORS MEET "The regular monthly meeting of the Royal Neighbors Lodge was held Thursday at the home of Mrs. George Russell. Ten members were present. After the business meeting, bingo was played with Mrs. Lillian Thums winning blackout. A delicious lunch was served by the hostess." |
| 6/7/1973 | People & Education | KAREN NIGGEMANN IS UW-MILWAUKEE GRADUATE "Karen Niggemann graduated May 27 from the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee Campus. She graduated as a member of the Phi Honor Society with Departmental Honors in Speech Therapy...Karen is the daughter of Mrs. Emily Niggemann, Rib Lake. She will be married June 8 to Kenneth Steinman, son of Herman Steinman, also of Rib Lake." |
| 6/7/1973 | Obituary | MRS. NICK CERANSKI RITES HELD IN WAUSAU "Mrs. Nick Ceranski, 61, of 827 Turner Street, Wausau (a former Rib Lake resident), died May 27 at Wausau Hospital. ¶ Funeral services were held Wednesday at 10:30 a.m. at Peterson Funeral Home, and at 10:30 a.m. at St. Michael's Church, both in Wausau. The Very Rev. John K. Krasowski, pastor of St. Michaels, and Rev. John Olson, assistant pastor in that city, officiated, and burial took place in Sacred Heart Cemetery, Town of Cassel, near Edgar. ¶ The former Mary Gojmerac was born May 10, 1912, in St. Joseph, Missouri, the daughter of Mrs. Mary Gojermac, Rib Lake, and the late George Gojmerac, Sr. ¶ She was married to Nick Ceranski Oct. 10, 1953, at St. Ann's Catholic Church, Town of Greenwood. He survives." |
| 6/7/1973 (cont) | Obituary (cont) | ¶ In addition to her husband and mother, survivors include 4 brothers: Joseph Gojmerac and George Gojmerac, both of Rib Lake; Dr. Walter Gojmerac, Madison; Albert Gojmerac, Thomasville, Pennsylvania; 2 sisters: Christina, Mrs. Leon Roelke, Millington, Tennessee; and Dorothy, Mrs. Wayne Kain, Neenah." |
| 6/7/1973 | People | HOSPITALIZED AT CHICAGO "H. Roger Johnson, owner of Northern Kitchens, Inc., is hospitalized at a Chicago hospital, where he underwent a kidney transplant last week. Johnson was called to Chicago May 21. He is reported to be doing very well." |

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| 6/7/1973 | Businesses & Rib Lake - Village | SUNDERLIN PURCHASES LAUNDRY "Mr. and Mrs. William Sunderlin have purchased the coin-operated laundry from his father, Ernest Sunderlin, taking possession May 18. The laundry will be known as "The Village Wash." ¶ William Sunderlin will continue to help with Sunderlin's Thermogas business. ¶ Mr. and Mrs. William Sunderlin reside at 600 Lake Street, have 2 children, Melvin, 4, and Marjorie, 2 1/2." |
| 6/14/1973 | Obituary & Greenwood | ALBERT SCHREINER DIES MONDAY AT AGE 85 "Funeral services were being held this Thursday, June 14, for Albert Schreiner, 85, Rib Lake, who died June 11 at Medford Hospital. Fr. Richard Girt will conduct services held at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church. Burial will take place in Lakeview Cemetery. ¶ Mr. Schreiner was born Aug. 4, 1887, in Menasha. He came to Rib Lake in 1902, at the age of 15. His marriage to Barbara Pfeiffer took place Sept. 25, 1917, in Rib Lake. They farmed in Rib Lake until 1962, when he retired and moved to the Village of Rib Lake. His son, Norbert, now operates the farm. ¶ Mr. Schreiner was a member of the Rib Lake School Board for 12 years, a member of the Greenwood board for 18 years, and was a health officer for the Town of Greenwood. He was also active in Farmers Union for many years, and was a member of the Catholic Church. ¶ |
| 6/21/1973 | Roads | BOARD DISCUSSED COUNTY TRUNK D "At the June 12 meeting of the Rib Lake village board, a motion was passed to set up a petition between the Village of Rib Lake, the Town of Rib Lake, and the Town of Westboro, to have County Trunk Highway D blacktopped. Blacktopping of County D would cover an area from where the present blacktop ends to where D meets Highway 102. The objective in mind is to keep the road scenic, along with blacktopping and making needed improvements." |
| 6/21/1973 | People | PIANO AND VOICE RECITAL AT MAGNUSON RESIDENCE "Saturday evening, June 9, the piano and voice students of Mrs. Herb Magnuson presented a recital at her home. ¶ Those taking part were Barbara Schreiner, Nancy Melaski, Debbie Dolezalek, Debbie Steen, Sandy Kauer, all of Rib Lake, and Janis and Grace Donaldson, and Bekki Bergeson, Ogema. ¶ Awards were presented to several of the students following the recital. Nancy Melaski was given one for acquiring the most points on her progress chart in the past year. Bekki Bergeson was the runner-up with the next most amount of points, and she received an award for this. Grace Donaldson was selected as the student who had improved the most this past year. ¶ Refreshments were served following the program." |
| 6/21/1973 | Obituary | MRS. SYNOL RITES HELD JUNE 21 "Funeral services were held Tuesday morning, June 12, at St. John the Baptist Church, Rib Lake, for Mrs. Bernice Synol, 56-year-old Rib Lake resident, who died Friday at Memorial Hospital, Medford. The Rev. Richard Girt, C.pp.s., officiated, and burial took place in Lakeview Cemetery, Rib Lake. ¶ The body lay in state at the Mannel Funeral Home, Rib Lake, where rosary devotions were held Tuesday evening. ¶ Bernice Berta Bertagnoli was born Nov. 16, 1916, at Rib Lake, and received her education there. She continued to reside at Rib Lake until the time of her death. She was, for some time, employed by the Golden Age Nursing Home, Rib Lake. ¶ Her marriage to Walter Synol took place June 27, 1938. ¶ A son, Kenneth, who died Feb. 1968, preceded her in death. ¶ She is survived by three sons, Raymond of Medford; Donovan and Richard of |

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| 6/21/1973 | Obituary | EMMA ZENTNER DIES JUNE 18 "Emma Zentner, 83, died June 18 at her home in Westboro, Wis. ¶ Funeral services are being held this Thursday, June 21, from Forest Springs Community Church at Westboro; the Rev. Henry Bahrenburg, Medford, will conduct the 2:00 p.m. service, and burial will take place in Mount Olive Cemetery, Westboro. ¶ Emma Braeger was born May 31, 1890, at Eldorado, Wis., in Fond du Lac County, to William and Amelia Braeger. She received her education in the Eldorado Public Schools. Her marriage to George Zentner took place Aug. 19, 1911, in the Town of Black Wolf, Wis., in Winnebago County. The couple resided in Madison for two years while her husband was an instructor at the University of Wisconsin Dairy School. They later moved back to Fond du Lac, and in 1917 moved to Wood County, where they operated a cheese factory at Pittsville |
| 6/21/1973 | Obituary | EMMA ST. CLAIR DIES IN ARPIN "Mrs. Emma Mathilda St. Clair, a former Rib Lake resident, 98, died June 22 at Arpin, where she was making her home. ¶ Born in Sweden March 8, 1875, she came with her folks to the United States at the age of 19. In 1896, she was married to Walter Scott St. Clair at Lakele, Indiana. They moved to Wisconsin in 1900, settling near Rib Lake. Her husband passed away in 1940 at Rib Lake, and Mrs. St. Clair then moved to Arpin. ¶ Survivors include 4 daughters and 5 sons, Mrs. Elizabeth Lyons, Orion, Illinois; Mrs. Emma Saxton, Tennessee; Mrs. Helen Moravetz, Gobles, Michigan; Mrs. Alice Johnson, Arpin; Ralph, Rib Lake; Grant, |
| 7/12/1973 | People | JOAN BONDE BECOMES BRIDE OF DARRELL KESTLER IN WESTBORO "Miss Joan Edith Bonde and Darrell Francis Kestler were united in marriage June 23 at St. Theresa's Catholic Church, Westboro. Fr. Thomas Conway performed the 6:15 ceremony. ¶ The new bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Isadore Bonde, Route 1, Rib Lake, and the groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kestler, Jr., Route 1, Westboro. ¶ For her wedding, the bride was seen in the yellow and white, street-length dress, and wore a corsage of yellow carnations accented with white. ¶ Mrs. Naomi Kestler, the groom's sister-in-law, was matron of honor, and Darrell Kestler, the groom's brother, acted as best man. ¶ A wedding reception for approximately 40 guests was held at the home of the Frank Kestler's, Jr. ¶ Both the bride and groom are graduates of Rib Lake High School in 1971 and 1968, respectively. |
| 7/12/1973 | People | THUMS-HEBDA EXCHANGE VOWS AT ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST "St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, Rib Lake, was the setting of the June 30 wedding of Miss Judith Thums, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Thums, Rib Lake; and Stanley Hebda, son of Mrs. Dorothy Hebda, Rib Lake, and the late Stanley Hebda, Sr., ¶ Fr. Girt conducted the 12:00 noon ceremony, with Lucille Hanson, Rib Lake, as organist, and Rolland Thums, cousin of the bride, vocalist. ¶ For her wedding day, the bride chose a floor-length gown with matching train, veil, styled with a molded empire bodice of organza, centered with a wide band of cluny lace trimmed with organza-covered buttons.....Attending the bride were Mrs. Nancy Andrasic as matron of honor, friend of the bride; and bridesmaids |

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| 7/12/1973 (cont) | People (Cont) | ¶ The groom's attendants were Richard Hebda, the groom's brother, as best man; George Zondlo, Milwaukee, cousin of the groom; Robert Gibbons, Grafton, the groom's brother-in-law; and Edward Hebda, the groom's brother, Rib Lake. ¶ The bride's brothers, Jeff and Gary Thums, served as ushers, and mass servers were the bride's cousins, Tim and Ken Thums. Three long-stemmed white roses were left at the Blessed Virgin statue by the bride...A dinner following the ceremony was served to 210 guests at the church hall, with supper being served to 75 guests at the bride's home. Mrs. Jeff Thums cut the wedding cake..A reception and dance followed at Zondlo's Ballroom. Music was provided in the afternoon by Rumberg and Pocek of Ogema, and Roger Allen and his band played in the evening..." |
| 7/19/1973 | Agriculture | BIG BALES CHANGE LIFE OF FARMING FAMILY IN HAYING SEASON THIS YEAR "Lawrence C. Tlusty and son, James L. Tlusty, operators of a beef cattle ranch located 2-1/2 miles....have procured the latest farm-saving equipment. It is a Vermeer 605-A hay baler manufactured by Vermeer Company of Pella, Iowa. The baler has the capacity of producing 1,500 pound bales that are 5 feet long and 6 feet in diameter, at the rate of approximately 8 bales per hour. ¶ Tlusty considered in the purchase of the new baler that it is a one-man operation to bale hay, and that the round bales successfully store outside whenever room for other crops is needed in hay barn and storage buildings. In addition, the lower investment and high-capacity operation features of the machine played a role in the purchase. ¶ Giant balers came on the scene only a year or two ago. Several different companies beside |
| 7/19/1973 7/19/1973 (cont) | Church - Catholic - St. John the Baptist Church - Catholic - St. John the Baptist (cont) | CHURCH OF THE WEEK "St. John the Baptist parish - this church is the house of worship for Rib Lake area catholics under the guidance of Fr. Girt. ¶ In May, 1971, the ground-breaking ceremonies were held. The Lord's blessings were evident on that May day as the day was bright and clear. Devotions of thanksgiving opened the ceremonies, with the first spadeful being dug by Fr. Girt, and then the trustees, with the officers of the various parish organizations following. Lunch was later served to the 380 that were present. ¶ Work on the new church complex progressed through the summer, fall and winter. Many parishioners, with the help and guidance of Fr. Girt, gave of their time and skills of the rough work and finishing process that went towards the successful completion of ¶ The first baptism performed in the new church were the twins, Kevin and Kathleen Collins, on March 26, 1972. ¶ The first burial service was that of Joseph Matyka, Sr., March 26, 1972. ¶ The first wedding ceremony was that of George Lukewich of Holy Rosary parish, Medford, and Elizabeth Fischer, St. John's, Rib Lake, on April 22, 1972. Fr. Girt officiated at all of these occasions. ¶ Dedication ceremonies and consecration of the altar were held June 11, 1972, by Bishop George A. Hammes of Superior Diocese. ¶ The placing of artifacts in the cornerstone took place the same day. During the year 1972, the parish observed their 75th anniversary. This event was also incorporated into the events of the day. ¶ According to the last count, the parish consists of approximately 250 families." |

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| 7/26/1973 | Highways & Westboro | HIGHWAY 13 CONSTRUCTION STARTED "Approval of the bid from the Hoffman Construction Corporation was officially signed by Governor Lucy...MACHINES AND MEN TACKLE EARTH MOVING "The tentative plan of the Hoffman Construction Corporation is to commence operation from Highway 13, working north to the Taylor County line, and going two miles south. ¶ The company utilizes 30 pieces of machinery and approximately 35 men. Tentative plans depend upon the weather, but the company hopes to have the highway completed by late fall to connect the new Highway 13 with the old Highway 13 in 1974. ¶ A separate contract should be ready for bridge construction on the bridge to go over Silver Creek and on the bridge to go over the railroad and Fischer Creek. The initial contracts for the bridges were reached in July and should be bid in August." |
| 7/26/1973 7/26/1973 (cont) | Highways & Environment Highways & Environment (cont) | PETITION OF AREA RESIDENTS CALLS TO RETAIN SCENIC BEAUTY OF D "Action of the Taylor County Board of Supervisors in response to a petition signed by 406 Rib Lake area residents will insure that County Highway D will retain its rustic beauty, although it will be given a blacktop surface in the future. ¶ The petition calls upon the County Highway Commission to promptly develop plans for surfacing of County D from the Rib Lake-Westboro town line eastward to STH 102. ¶ However, the board went further to instruct the commission to leave County D on its present location and to make every effort to preserve the scenic beauty of the highway. ¶ One member of the county highway committee stated that money would probably be appropriated in the next county budget for blacktopping of Highway D in the summer of 1974. ¶ The petition presented to the board reads ¶ I. Whereas, Taylor County Highway D was designated a county highway on Jan. 1, 1970; ¶ II. And whereas, a blacktop road would be of immediate and real value to the lake region of Taylor County; ¶ III. And whereas, the existing roadway, forest, lakes and scenic outlooks are outstanding natural resources; ¶ Now, therefore, be it resolved by the Taylor County Board of Supervisors: ¶ I. That, County Highway D be preserved largely in its present natural beauty, ¶ II. And that, the Taylor County Highway Commission present development plans, in conjunction with interested citizens, for the blacktopping and rebuilding of Highway D on its present site and the seeding of resulting roadbanks from Westboro - Taylor County line eastward to STH 102. ¶ III. And that the Wisconsin State Legislature be urged to pass the pending state scenic highway bill. ¶ IV. And that property owners |

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| 7/26/1973 | Environment | <p>WISCONSIN'S HIGHEST POINT "Tim's (sic) Hill, located in Price County, is 1,953 feet above sea level. To get to Tim's (sic) Hill (located 7 miles southeast of Ogema), go east on Highway 86 from Ogema until you reach County C. Follow County C south. You will come upon two signs, one "Swan's Tree Farm" and the other "Idle Acres." Follow either sign and you will come to the Ogema fire tower sign, where you can park your car and walk up. Pictured is Bass Lake from Wisconsin's Highest Point."</p> |
| 8/16/1973 | Church - Methodist | <p>CHURCH OF THE WEEK "The First Methodist Church services in Rib Lake were held in 1882 in the lumber company boarding house, and were conducted by the Rev. L.N. Sweet, who came up from Spencer once each month for that purpose. ¶ The Sunday school was organized the same year and met in the J.J. Kennedy home, Mrs. S. Hagen was the first superintendent, and Mrs. D. McLennan was the first teacher. For several years the services were held in the school house. The present Methodist Church, the first church building to be erected in Rib Lake, was built in 1892 by the M.E. Society under the direction of the Rev. H.P. Walden. ¶ The church is presently served by the Rev. Henry Bahrenburg, who is also pastor of the Methodist and Dorchester United Methodist Churches."</p> |
| 8/16/1973 | Westboro | <p>WANDERINGS IN WESTBORO By Mrs. Everett Edens "Mrs. A.H. Bay, of Wakefield, Michigan (formerly of Westboro) returned from her fourth trip to Finland. She was a houseguest at Mr. and Mrs. Heinrich August Schoellers, who are the parents of Rutger Schoeller, an exchange student who lived with Mrs. Bay in Wakefield. She spent a day in Brussels, Belgium, and toured the Netherlands, which, in her opinion, is the most beautiful and clean country. There was no litter - not even a small piece of paper - lying anywhere."</p> |
| 8/16/1973 | People | <p>MRS. THUMS, RIB LAKE BREATH OF LIFE CHAIRMAN "Mrs. George Thums has been named chairman of the Breath of Life campaign to fight children's lung diseases in the Village of Rib Lake area. Local volunteers will be recruited to raise funds to support research and care programs for children affected by lung-damaging diseases like cystic fibrosis, severe asthma, chronic bronchitis, bronchoiectasis, and a condition called "childhood emphysema." The campaign begins August 15 with a house-to-house appeal...."</p> |

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| 8/16/1973 | Education | NEW COURSES ADDED AT UW IN MEDFORD "Robert Larson, director of student services at the University of Wisconsin center in Medford, announced today the addition of several new courses for the 1973-74 fall term. ¶ Business 210 - Principles of Accounting - a 3-credit course including accounting fundamentals applied to individual proprietorships. ¶ Economics 200 - General Economics - a 3-credit course in basic economics, including elements of supply and demand. ¶ Music 55 - Chorus - open to all students - a 1-credit offering in choral vocal training. ¶ Speech 100 - Theatre Laboratory - a 1-credit course in practical application of the principles of acting, directing and stage craft through actual participation in dramatic productions. ¶ If you wish to learn more about the new courses at the University of Wisconsin center in Medford, contact Larson, Telephone 748-3600." |
| 8/16/1973 | Health | MARCH OF DIMES DANCE SATURDAY "The Taylor County March of Dimes will have the first official Wisconsin March of Dimes poster child present at their benefit dance to be held at Zondlo's Ballroom, Rib Lake, on August 18. ¶ Michael Lee Lokken, shown with his father [attached photograph], was born Nov. 7, 1969, at Sacred Heart Hospital at Eau Claire. Mr. and Mrs. Larry Lokken, his parents, live at 627 Lake Street, Eau Claire. The child's grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Lokken, Eau Claire, and Mr. and Mrs. Foster Will of Owen. ¶ Michael's condition at birth was very critical because of spina bifida, which is open spine. Since birth, his dismal future has brightened, as he now has developed some movement for riding a tricycle and a pedal car with the hopes |
| 8/16/1973 (cont) | Health (cont) | ¶ The benefit dance at Zondlo's Ballroom on Aug. 18 will feature the music of Roger Allen. Tickets can be purchased from any of the board members, who are Wayne Bullis, Ray Becker, Mrs. Edwin Thums, Mrs. Kenneth Scheithauer, and Mrs. Beverly Bartelt, Medford. ¶ The success of the March of Dimes and this dance depends upon your participation. The Taylor County chapter has funds available for any needy child who has incurred expenses |
| 8/16/1973 | Health | GOLDEN AGE HOME "Ed Prien visited with all of the residents over the weekend. ¶ Mrs. Rosa Schneider and two nieces visited at the home Tuesday. The two nieces from Switzerland, Erica Buehler and Mrs. Ida Buehler, were given a tour of the home, and they quoted "in Switzerland the homes are not as equipped or as nice as this one in Rib Lake." ¶ Bingo was played Tuesday, with Roy Elliot and Henry Hoffman winning blackout prizes. ¶ The physical therapist, Mr. Armstrong, still comes for therapy sessions. ¶ Movies were shown Thursday, namely |

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| 8/23/1973 | Environment | TIM'S HILL (sic), CLAIMED TO BE THE HIGHEST POINT IN THE STATE "Bass Lake has a surface area of 22.2 acres and a maximum depth of 33 feet. Fish were eradicated with chemicals in 1955, and Bass Lake has since been managed for trout and bass. Pumpkin seeds, white suckers, bullheads and golden shiners apparently survived the chemical treatment and currently are part of the fish population structure. As a trout lake, this lake has been successful. This lake is not noted for good growth rates; however, utilization of planted trout is excellent. Growth rates of large mouth bass are below normal, but good numbers of older fish (12-14" in length) are available to provide good bass fishing. ¶ The only shoreline development is a tavern and boat rental located just across the town road, adjacent to the lake. Public access is from the town road right-of-way. An improvement boat-launching ramp and additional car parking are badly needed. Outboard motors are not used on this lake, by local agreement, not by town ordinance." |
| 8/23/1973 | Agriculture | MILK PRICES TAKE HIKE "Milk prices have been announced by several dairy cooperative associations this past week. In Chicago, regular order 30 market, Central Milk Producers Co-op, which represents 16 Co-ops in the Chicago market, announced a 60-cent increase in Class I milk to be effective Sept. 1. This will bring the price to a record of \$18.19 per cwt. ¶ CMPC also disclosed a new premium price structure for fluid products in Class II, which will apply to items such as cottage cheese, dips, yogurt and ice cream mixes. ¶ Higher super-pools are expected to be announced in the Indiana market by the Hoosier Milk Marketing Agency. ¶ For the west, the Mid-America Cooperative announced a \$6.25 Class II price, and in the south, AMPI disclosed a \$6.50 Class II price..." |
| 8/23/1973 | Rib Lake - Village | DEVELOPER SELECTED FOR LOW-RENT HOUSING "The Dept. of Local Affairs and Development announced recently that the Madsen Development Corporation of Madison had been tentatively selected to construct 200 units of low-rent leasing housing in 10 communities throughout Wisconsin, of which 18 will be located in Rib Lake. ¶ Madsen is one of 8 developers who submitted proposals in July. The selection is subject to final agreement of lease terms and arrangement of mortgage financing at rates compatible with projected rent levels. ¶ The program will provide 120 housing units for low-income elderly persons and 80 units for low-income families scattered through ¶ According to Charles M. Hill, Sr., Secretary of the Dept. of Local Affairs and Development (DLAD), the housing will be the result of the pioneering effort of the federal and state government agencies, local housing authorities, and the private developer. ¶ Under this innovative program, the private developer will build, manage and retain ownership and DLAD will lease the housing. Federal funds from the Dept. of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) will be used to supplement rental payments by tenants. HUD has committed \$6.8 million to DLAD over the |
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| 8/23/1973 | Schools & Education & Westboro | 5TH GRADE CLASSES AT WESTBORO "All grade 5 students of the Rib Lake School District will be housed at the Westboro School site, effective with the start of this school this fall. All 5th grade students, those in the village and those riding buses, will report to the Clearview School in the morning, where they will be picked up "and transported to the Westboro site." ¶ Buses will leave for Westboro about 8:25 a.m. from Clearview. The same students will be transported back from Westboro to the High School by 3:30 in the afternoon, where bus riders can board the buses which will return them home. Village 5th grade students are excused to go home once they are returned to the high school. ¶ Three sections of kindergarten classes are scheduled for Clearview School. Basically, all students living south of the village are scheduled for the afternoon session, with the Village, Westboro and Spirit |
| 8/23/1973 | Entertainment & Spirit | SPIRIT-HILL-OGEMA 4-H FAIR OPENS SUNDAY "The 31st annual Spirit-Hill-Ogema 4-H fair will be held Saturday, Aug. 25, commencing at 10:00 a.m. at the Spirit Town Hall. ¶ Participants will be the Happy Hobos, Busy Beavers, Wilson Workers, Prentice Pioneers, Lucky Lakers, Hillbillies, and a new addition this year, the Brantwood Bombers. ¶ Ribbons will be awarded for cattle, horses, baking, sewing, woodworking, photography and other exhibits created by 4-H'ers. Other interesting events will be Roy Meier demonstrating the operation of a cream separator and the traditional hobby corner. ¶ In addition to other sporting events, there will be a frog-jumping contest about 1:00 p.m. At 4:00 p.m. the exhibits will depart from the town hall, and by 3:00 p.m. the final phase |
| 8/23/1973 (cont) | Whittlesey (cont) | CHURCH OF THE WEEK "The present Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church, Whittlesey, conducted their first mass June 11, 1967. ¶ The new church had its conception in 1964, when the parish faced the problem of enlarging the church. Meetings were held to discuss the advisability of remodeling or building a new church, Roderick Nelson, architect, of Wausau, was consulted on the costs of remodeling versus building. The results of his consultations were presented to Bishop Hammes by Fr. Froelich, pastor at that time. ¶ On May 26, 1965, at a parish meeting, Fr. Froelich discussed the various aspects of building or remodeling, stating that Bishop Hammes favored a new building, due to the excessive costs of remodeling. ¶ On June 2, another parish meeting was called, at which time the parishioners voted to build a new church. The building and finance committee were elected at the meeting. ¶ On June, 24, 1965, a meeting was held to select a site for the new church. it was decided to contact Mr. and Mrs. Walter Kraschnewski about purchasing several acres across from the present church. The Kraschnewskis generously donated the selected site. The bulldozing and leveling of the new site was completed in the fall of 1965, the cost of which was donated by Carl Brandner, Jr. ¶ During the winter and spring of 1966, the building and finance committees met several times with the architect and Fr. Hanchaw, who replaced Fr. Froelich as pastor. ¶ The plans called for a seating capacity of 250 in the nave and 150 in the adjoining catechistical center...The structure was completed in the summer of 1967. ¶ The present parish is continuing the spirit of cooperation and religious devotion that began with the meeting called in January, 1891, under the guidance of Fr. F.X. Wilms of |

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| 8/23/1973 (cont) | Whittlesey (cont) | ¶ The members agreed to contribute 25 cents a month towards the pastor's salary, and the first mass was held in the new church Sept. 8, 1891. Thereafter, services were held once a month on a weekday by a priest who came from Medford. ¶ The first child baptised in the church was Pauline Brandner on Sept. 8, 1891, a daughter of Henry and Anna Brandner. She is now Mrs. Paulina Dittrich; she is still a member. A child of Ferdinand and Anna Arbeiter on January 9, 1892, was the first funeral. The first adult funeral was Mrs. Margaret Schiefers, nee Pfahl, Nov. 16, 1892. The first wedding was the union of Michael Gallagher and Anna Steiner on Oct. 23, 1892. The first communion class was confirmed in 1893. ¶ As the community grew, the people realized the church was too small to accommodate all the members, and in 1903 it was decided to build a larger church. Under Fr. Birsner of Medford, a building fund was begun. Plans were drawn up for a new church, a structure 32 x 56, with a tower 82 feet high. |
| 8/23/1973 (cont) | Whittlesey (cont) | ¶ By the end of 1903, the parish had \$200 out on interest. In 1904, members pledged \$635 to the building fund, and by the end of the year, \$590 of this amount had been paid. After borrowing an additional \$700, the parish was ready for bids on the new church. The bid was let to Hugo Stamm for \$1,677. ¶ The new church was completed and ready for services Dec. 21, 1904. The old church was sold to Joseph Hammerschmidt for the sum of \$30, and is part of the home still standing on that farm. ¶ Services were still being conducted by a priest from Medford once a month on a weekday, but every Sunday the membership would gather at the church for "gebet Stunde" (prayer hour), led by Frank Kestler and singing led by Henry Brandner. In 1924, when the mission was turned over to the Fathers of the Precious Blood, services were conducted twice a month on Sunday. ¶ It wasn't until 1938 that the Bishop Revermann of Superior arranged for services every Sunday, and Holy Day, and the Fr. Roman Schwieterman was the first priest to serve in this capacity." |

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| 8/23/1973 | Rib Lake - Village | COST SHARING |
| 8/23/1973 | Church - Church of Christ & Rib Lake - Village | LEGAL NOTICES "Members or former members of the Church of Christ, Rib Lake, Wis., are urged to contact the Rib Lake village clerk, Carl Holzwarth, and to attend a meeting at the Mrs. Ruth Manville home at 7:00 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 11, 1973, to discuss the possiblity of deeding the church property to the Village of Rib Lake for use as a museum and senior citizens center." |
| 8/23/1973 | Schools | JOINT DISTRICT #1, RIB LAKE, BOARD MEETING AUGUST 9 "The regular meeting was called to order by Vice President Dums in the absence of President Hanke. All other members responded to roll. ¶ The clerk read the minutes of the July 23 meeting. Mr. Becker clarified the bid for driveway repairs submitted by Thums Brothers as being 90 cents per yard for excavating, \$1.15 per yard for fill, and \$1.70 per yard for crushed gravel, rather than combining the amounts in a lump sum. The corrected minutes were then approved by a motion by Cihasky and seconded by Blomberg. ¶ Vic Zentner and Don Bartelt, private bus carrier, were present to discuss adjustments in mileage rates for 1973-1974 school year, this being the third year of a 3-year contract, and thus eligible for negotiation. ¶ Blomberg moved to increase the per mile rate to 43 cents from the current 39 rate..." |

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| 8/23/1973 | Utilities & Westboro | WESTBORO SEWERS DOWN THE DRAIN? "On a priority issued by the Dept. of Natural Resources of 504 Wisconsin cities, villages and sanitary districts eligible for federal sewage treatment project grants, Westboro had the distinction of being 436th for the proposed new sewage system. ¶ The initial DNR budget is committed to provide a grant of 75% of the cost, which is \$300,000. ¶ Rib Lake fared much better with a priority rating of 44 for their consideration of chlorinating equipment for chlorinating facilities. ¶ The priorities were calculated for each |
| 8/30/1973 | Schools & Entertainment | REDMEN OPEN FOOTBALL SEASON AGAINST SPENCER ON FRIDAY "Rib Lake will open its 1973 football season with high hopes of improving last year's 1 win, 8 loss record, with a game away at Spencer. Game time is 8:00 p.m. Friday, Aug. 31. ¶ New head coach "Mike" Van Hecke had the first opportunity to watch the Redmen perform under game conditions this past Saturday when the team participated in a 4-way scrimmage held at Tomahawk. Other teams were Tomahawk, Laona and Prentice. The number of mistakes were as expected in this early part of the season, but overall performance by the Redmen was encouraging. ¶ The offensive backfield will be led this year with Fullback Mike Troiber, 217-pound fullback with good speed and hands, and break-away threat Denny Scheithauer at tailback. Greg Stibbe will be at the halfback slot to round out the running backs. The quarterback slot will be filled by either Sophomore Ed Mohr or Junior Rocky Jones, who will have both men performing well in pre-season workouts. |
| 8/30/1973 (cont) | Schools & Entertainment (cont) | Coach Van Hecke will watch both of these young men further before determining his starting QB. ¶ The offensive line is to be comprised of Tommy Blomberg at center, flanked by guard Billy Niggemann and Dan Flihs. At tackle are Bill Schwarz and Gary Nelson. Gary Thomas and Ed Hebda are ends. ¶ The coaching staff feels that, although the offensive line lacks size and depth, its speed and aggressiveness will compensate in moving the bigger opponents. The line should be particularly effective through the middle and off-tackle ¶ Inexperience will be the major obstacle on defense, but returning veterans led by hard-hitting senior linebacker Ed Hebda, should soon remedy this. Past defense standouts should be Gary Scheithauer and Ed Mohr, who both possess good speed and coverage. Other experienced offensive men are Matt Troiber, Gary Thomas, Denny Scheithauer and Gary Nelson." |

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| 8/30/1973 | Harper Lake & Environment | KNOW YOUR AREA LAKES - THIS WEEK IS NORTH HARPER LAKE "A soft-water seepage lake with an intermittent outlet to Silver Creek, North Harper Lake has a fish population consisting of muskellunge, walleye, large-mouth bass, perch, bluegills, black crappies, black bullheads and white suckers. ¶ The shoreline vegetation is mostly upland hardwood, but there are scattered areas of hemlock, ash, tag alder and fresh meadow. The littoral bottom material is approximately 70% rubble, 15% sand and the remainder is comprised of small amounts of cover for fish. ¶ Four brush shelters were installed in 1956 to provide shelter for fish. Muskrat use is not significant, but beaver are present. Waterfowl use is limited to migrating puddle and diving ducks. There is no public access. Private development consists of two resorts and 17 cottages on the lakeshore. ¶ The lake was last stocked in 1954 with 1,880 walleyes." |
| 8/30/1973 | Highway & Westboro | HIGHWAY 13 BRIDGE BIDS ARE OPEN "Apparently low bids totaling \$10.7 million were opened August 21, from the State Division of Highways for 23 construction and maintenance projects involving 16 counties. ¶ In Taylor County, the low bid by Lunda Construction Company of Black River Falls, was the sum of \$307,425.80. The bid was for the construction of a 212-foot, 4-span haunched slab structure to carry relocated STH 13 over Fischer Creek and 121-foot single span pre-stressed girder structure to carry the same highway over Silver Creek." |
| 8/30/1973 | Obituary | REINHARDT SERVICES AUGUST 29 HELD "Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, August 29, for Mrs. John Reinhardt, 80, who died Aug. 25 at Medford Hospital. Fr. Richard Girt conducted the 10:00 a.m. service at St. John the Baptist Church in Rib Lake. ¶ Caroline Pahorezki was born Jan. 6, 1893, in Austria. She came to the United States with her parents in 1900, settling in the Rib Lake area, where she made her home to this time. She was married to John Reinhardt June 11, 1912. She was a member of the Catholic Church and the Christian Mothers. ¶ Mrs. Reinhardt is survived by her husband; six children: Mrs. Francis (Marie) Hall of South Range; Mrs. Paul (Marcella) Durand of Manteca, California; John E. Reinhardt, Jr., Rib Lake; Mrs. Howard (Dorothy) Koch of |
| 8/30/1973 | Obituary & Westboro | HERMAN J. GRITTNER DIES AT 93 "Fr. Richard Girt conducted funeral services Wednesday at 1:30 for Herman J. Grittner, 93, a long-time Westboro resident, who died Aug. 23, at the Medford Hospital. ¶ Services were held at St. Theresa's Catholic Church, with burial being made in North Side Cemetery. ¶ Mr. Grittner was born Jan. 31, 1880, in Germany. Coming to this country at age 2, they first settled in St. Louis, Missouri, later coming to the Westboro, where he made his home to the present time. He was employed as a woodman and a mail messenger with the Soo Line Railroad before his retirement. Mr. Grittner received his citizenship May 10, 1906. He was married to Amelia Pueschner, and later to Flora Gay, both preceding him in death. ¶ Surviving relatives are two sons, Herman, Jr., and Earl, both of Westboro; two step-sons, Chester Hume, Van Nuys, California; and Sydney Hume, Pell Lake..." |

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| 9/6/1973 | Schools & Entertainment | SPENCER ROUTS REDMEN 41-0 "The Redmen football team opened its 1973 season Friday night, suffering a humiliating 41-0 loss at the hands of Spencer. ¶ Spencer's quick start evidently was a letdown for the Rib Lakers, who are definitely a better team than was indicated by the final score. The team was flat, and the hard-hitting that they are capable of was not in evidence. ¶ Coach Van Hecke will have the job of installing the confidence and poise that will be required by the time the team faces Pittsville at home this Friday night." |
| 9/6/1973 | Schools & Entertainment | CORRECTION "In the front page of the Redmen football article in last week's edition, the names of end players should have read "Gary Thums and Ed Hebda." The name of Gary Thums was mistakenly printed as Gary Thomas." |
| 9/6/1973 | Schools | ENROLLMENT UP AT LOCAL SCHOOLS "Preliminary enrollments for the schools of Joint School District #1, Rib Lake, show an overall increase of 38 students for the 1973-74 school year. Total elementary enrollment for 1973-74 is 532 students, as compared with 502 for the 1972-73 school year. Total high school enrollment is 250 students, as compared to 242 students for the 1972-73 school year.." |
| 9/6/1973 | People | DONATE BLOOD "Donors at the blood bank held at Rib Lake Clinic last Wednesday were the following: ¶ Hattie Taylor, Wayne Bullis, Mary Banks, William Schreiner, Roseanne McDonald, Mary Gordon, Donald Budimlija, Joseph Hebda, David Utpadel, Dennis Johnson, Ann Orthmann, Jerry Vlach, Fred Mohr, Jr., Michelle Lindberg, Michael Rehde, Carol Schmudloek, Hattie Koen, Er. Richard Girt, and Eritzie Koen." |
| 9/6/1973 | Church - Lutheran - Zion | CHURCH OF THE WEEK - ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH "On March 16, 1901, out of deep Christian conviction, German Lutherans in the Town of Brannan, Price County, Wis., formed themselves into a congregation known (at first) as German Lutheran Church of Brannan, and appointed trustees Edward Martwich, Henry Rohde, Sr., and Herman Jahn. Members of the congregation who signed the incorporation papers as witnesses were August A. Glewe, Fred Werner and Johann Thom. ¶ Some two weeks later, Aug. 3, 1901, the newly-organized congregation purchased an acre of ground from Max Scheller for a church site and began preparations to build a church. In spite of hardships, the members succeeded in erecting a church building within a year. ¶ Although organization took place 70 years ago, the beginnings of church life at Spirit antedate 1901. The first pastor who visited these Christians was |

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| 9/6/1973 (cont) | Church - Lutheran - Zion (cont) | He served the congregation from Tomahawk during the period of 1901 to 1906. In the earliest days, divine services were conducted in various homes of members. It was at the time of WWI that Zion made the break from German into English. German-speaking people were looked upon with suspicion in those days. However, some services were conducted in German for nearly 20 years after WWI. ¶ When Pastor Sydow left in 1918, he was succeeded by Pastor Sitz, who served the congregation until the summer of 1923. He was succeeded by Pastor M. Glauwser, who |
| 9/6/1973 (cont) | Church - Lutheran - Zion (cont) | ¶ In 1928, Pastor G.O. Krause began shepherding Christ's people at Spirit. After he left in 1930, Pastor E.J. Otterstatter served Zion for 5 years. He also served Tripoli and Tomahawk at the same time. Pastor Louis A. Winter, who served Zion and Bethel (Prentice) from Nov. 1935, until the fall of 1938, has been Zion's only resident pastor. The English constitution was adopted during his pastorate. ¶ The Rev. Herbert Nommensen succeeded Pastor Winter in 1938, and served the church from Prentice for three years. A parsonage, which Zion helps to maintain, had been purchased by the Bethel congregation in Prentice, with the help of the synod, for the sum of \$1,200. The parsonage was remodeled in 1948. ¶ During the war years of 1941 to 1945, Zion and Bethel had as |
| 9/6/1973 (cont) | Church - Lutheran - Zion (cont) | ¶ After Pastor Zaremba left, Pastor Markus Koepsell was called and served into the summer of 1948. Holy Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church of Tripoli, formerly served from Tomahawk, called Pastor Koepsell and now he had three churches to serve. Weekly bulletins were printed during this time. After his marriage to Miss Ardis Meier of the Spirit area, he was called to another congregation and was replaced by Pastor H.W. Schwertferger. ¶ In 1949, Zion purchased the old Stone Lake school for a parish hall, and it was hoped, a future Christian day school. When the Wilson School burned to the ground, the congregation entered into an agreement with the district school board, whereby the district would use the school house for a time for certain improvements in the building. ¶ The board members, as of 1973, are as follows: Darrell Lind, president; Christ Lange, vice president; Bernie Swanson. |
| 9/20/1973 | Church - Church of Christ | VILLAGE ACQUIRES FORMER CHURCH OF CHRIST PROPERTY "At a meeting on Tuesday, Sept. 11, title to the Church of Christ property was transferred to the Village of Rib Lake. The village will repair and improve the building, after which it is to be used as a museum and meeting place for senior citizens. ¶ Several months ago, Ray Voemastek was contacted to see if the Church of Christ building could be made available to the village. ¶ The Church of Christ had not been in operation for several years because members had passed away or moved away. Voemastek contacted former members that he knew who were still residing here, and a meeting was held, at which |
| 9/20/1973 (cont) | Church - Church of Christ (cont) | ¶ At the Sept. 11 meeting, Voemastek acted as chairman, and Mrs. Voemastek kept the minutes of the meeting. After discussion and review of the deed for transfer of title, a vote was taken on the matter of transferring the property to the Village of Rib Lake for \$1. Voting aye were Ray Voemastek, Sue Voemastek, Mae Barnes, and Ruth Manville. There were no members or former members present. ¶ Voemastek then conveyed the deed to Buksa, village president, who was at the meeting. Also representing the village at the meeting were board members Vernon Bruegl and Gordon Gehrt, and Village Attorney Robert Rusch. ¶ In 1901, a meeting was held in Rib Lake which resulted in the organization of the congregation to be known by the name of "Church of Christ." ¶ Weekly communion services and Bible school sessions were held in various homes of the members. In 1901, a lot was |

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| 9/20/1973 (cont) | Church - Church of Christ (cont) | ¶ When presenting the deed to President Buksa, Voemastek said, "we feel that this is a worthwhile project that should prove to be of great and lasting benefit to the citizens of this village, and we are pleased that this building will be used for such a worthwhile purpose." ¶ President Buksa thanked Voemastek on behalf of the village, and Attorney Rusch said the act of deeding the property to the village was personally very gratifying as the affect will be felt more and more in preserving the early history of the community." |
| 9/20/1973 | Rib Lake Herald & Businesses | FINALE "It is with regret that we must announce that this is the last issue of The Rib Lake Herald. The reasons for this decision are many and complex. ¶ The major reason, like the demise of most small-town newspapers, is the loss of advertising revenue, coupled with the high cost of producing a newspaper today. We have suggested to the businessmen's association, and other capable people, that they take over the newspaper or resume publication, but thus far none of these organizations have gained a foothold. ¶ We think that this is a major mistake on the part of those concerned for the future of Rib Lake not to attempt publication, but those involved can make this decision. ¶ When a small community loses its newspaper, it loses its identity and its future. No other medium can replace the |
| 9/20/1973 (cont) | Rib Lake Herald & Businesses (cont) | ¶ We urge the local businessmen to think again about the future and take hold of a project as important as any they might ever face. Your community needs a local newspaper, and as a cooperative with strong support, it can be made a self-supporting proposition. ¶ Its revenue is not strong enough to fight competition, and undermining from too many sources, but as a cooperative venture of the business community, it can succeed. ¶ Time is short, and the community must act fast to save its newspaper privileges, such as second class postal permit and legal status. We |

APPENDIX: June 15, 2009

Here ends the Annotated Chronology of the Rib Lake Herald - for now.

I envision future editions correcting errors and, perhaps, adding more information. Perhaps the many missing volumes, e.g., 1896-1901 (teacher, Mike Wudi, "discovered" 29 of the missing editions.

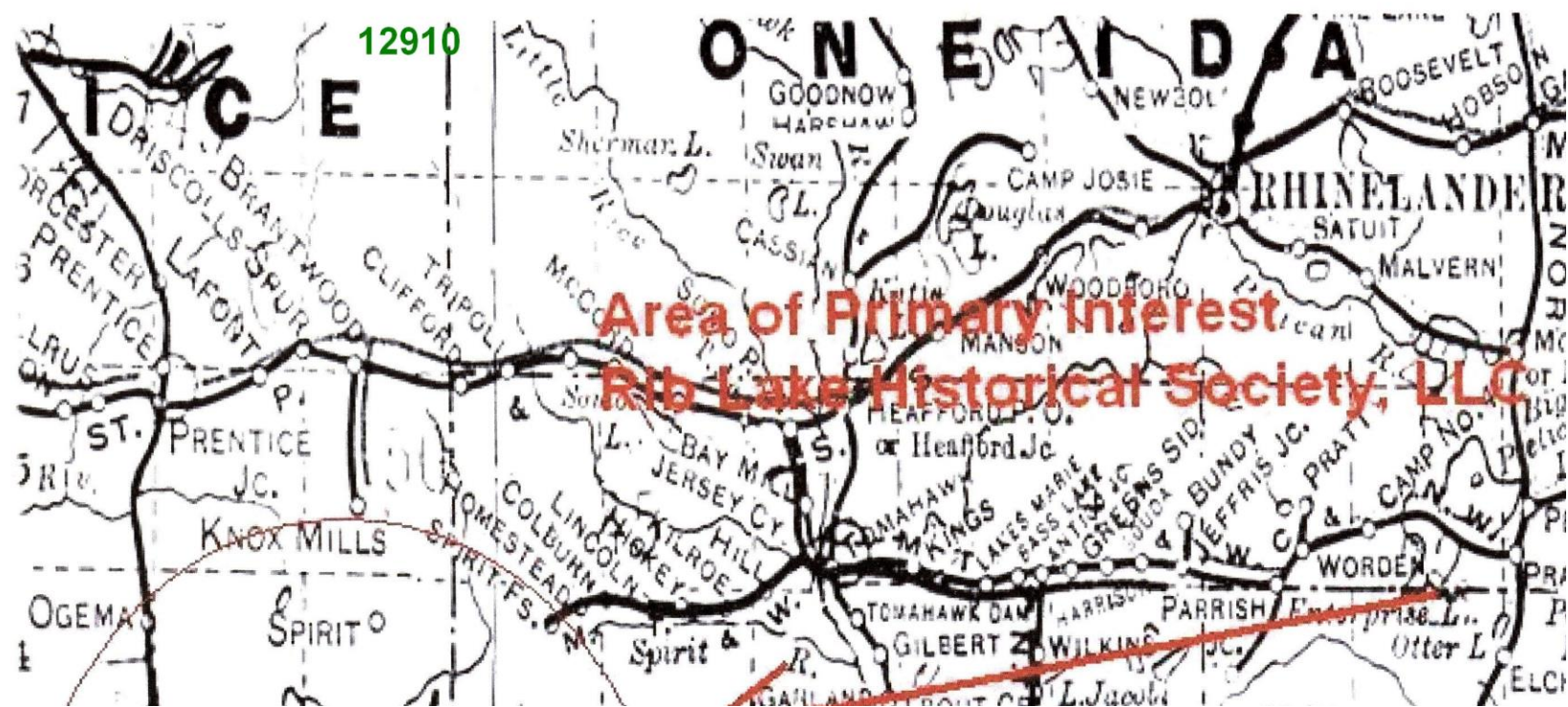
Today another event occurred which shows that God smiles on this project. While I speak some German, I could not accurately spell Mu original name for Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church in Whittlesey. It just so happened that Jan-Peer Gebauer and Ela Ortjohann were c
Needless to say, they had no problem with the German

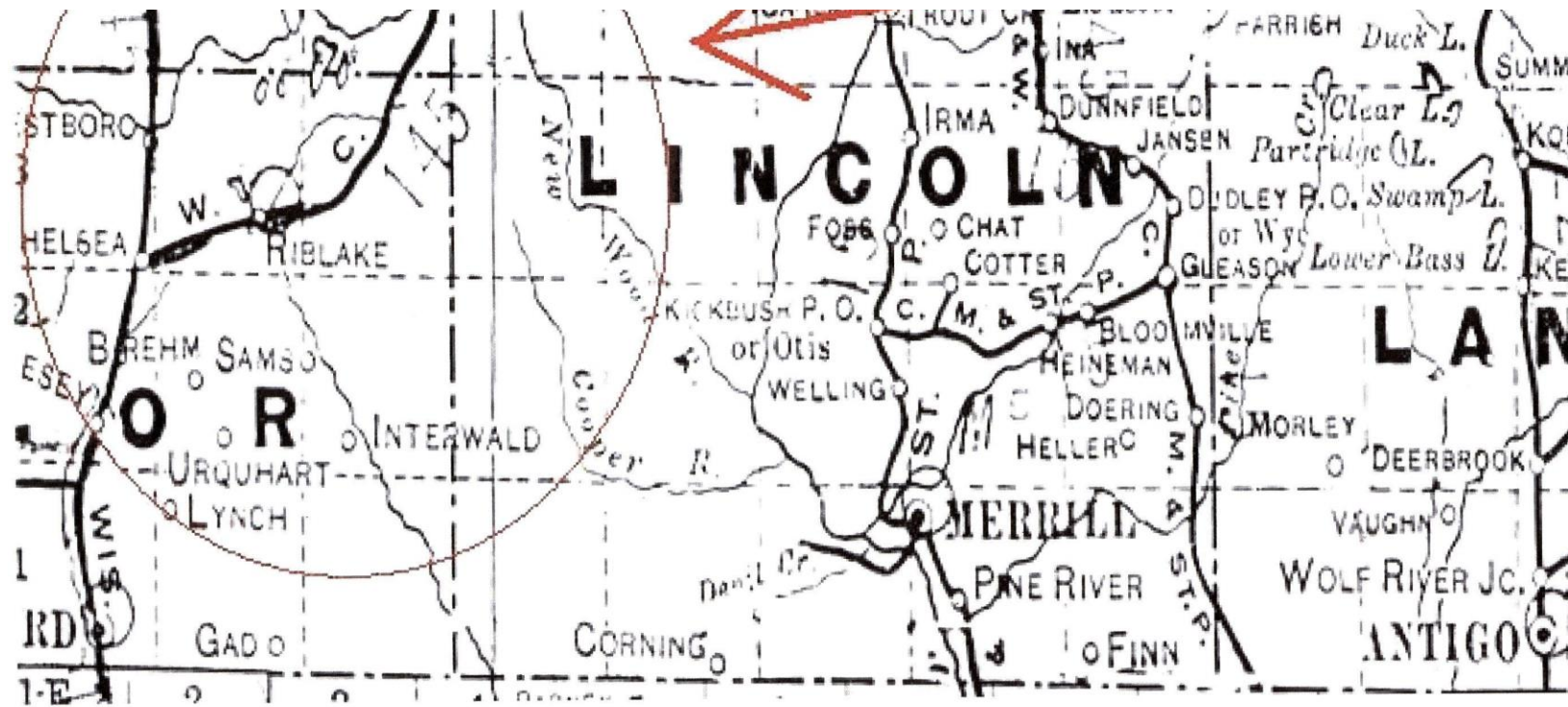
I know that the Annotated Chronology unintentionally contains errors and omissions. I invite correction and more information. I apologize caused

God willing, I will incorporate much of the Rib Lake Herald news into my planned history of the area. The two-volume work - tentatively e
Rib Lake by One Who Loves Her" should be printed about 2011. I continue my search for unpublished photos, letters, etc. I invite your l
HISTORICAL PHOTOGRAPHS. After scanning documents, the original is returned to its owner. Credit will be given for each submission
and public library. The Wisconsin Dinitalization Project intends to put the entire collection online

In May, 2009, Scott Riggs, Jeff Tortomasi and Robert Anderson placed much of the Annotated Chronology online. Our thanks to them!

Every single word of the Annotated Chronology was typed by Cindy Sommer, nee Kolecheck. This Rib Lake native was fabulous in the c project through to its completion. Our special thanks to Cindy!





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I have included this article because it illustrates the state of much of the forest in the Rib Lake area. By 1962, it was no longer the "cut-over." Given our relatively fertile soil and 30+ inches of rain per year, denuded sites had naturally grown back to trees. But professional foresters were recommending - and many people were following the advice - to prepare brushy planting sites for them. They would soon find that planting cedar was doomed to failure because of the ever-growing deer population and its love of the luscious edible foliage.

This reminds me of a saying of my late mother, Martha Hedwig Rusch: "Not a laughing matter, but no matter if you laugh."

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| Under the leadership of Debbie Quednow, 2004 saw Rib Lake's first snowshoe walk and race, "The Rib Lake Adventure." In January, 2009, over 150 participated. |

The Turba farm was on the east side of CTH C in the SW corner of Section 6, Town 32 North, Range 3 East. That portion of the Rib Lake Township is unusually flat owing to the fact that it is a giant alluvial plain. Soil and gravel were deposited there by water from the melting glacier. As water transported material from the stagnating and melting glacier 12,000 years ago, it sorted the stone, gravel and sand, the heaviest items dropping first and the lightest items, the sands, traveling furthest. These actions produced the marvelous Schreiner gravel pit deposit; in 2008, the Schreiner gravel pit flourishes as a commercial source for sand and gravel; it is located just across the road from the Turba farm.

This is typical of the folksy news regularly printed in the Herald. The correspondent, Ruby Zielke, then went on to describe 6 paragraphs of doings in "German Settlement." The heart of German Settlement was the Liberty School and Zion Lutheran Church buildings at the corner of CTH YY and German Settlement Road.

As of June 4, 2009, the former Central Hotel building still stands. It is an apartment building in the southwest corner of Railroad and Third Streets.

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| The Westboro School Forest was acquired by the Rib Lake School District following the merger of the two districts. In 2008, the Rib Lake School Board has the former Westboro School Forest up for sale. |
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| About 1989, Taylor County acquired approximately 12 acres of land once owned by Ernst Gerstberger and created the Gerstberger Pines County Park. The tract is located in the SE 1/4 - NW 1/4, Section 31, Town 33 North, Range 3 East. A few stumps in the tract demonstrate past logging activity. The forest there is old growth; giant pines and hardwood are breathtaking in size. |

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| ¶ Gerstberger Pines was saved by the work of Herbert Bergmann. The then-landowner contacted Bergmann to log the area off; after Mr. Bergmann inspected the site, he spearheaded a successful drive to have the county acquire the land and maintain it in its natural state. |
| In 2008, a beautiful brass plaque honors Shirley Martin in downtown Milwaukee; the plaque notes that Shirley Martin is a members of Wisconsin's Athletic Hall of Fame. The plaque is outside of the stadium at which the Milwaukee Bucks basketball team plays. ¶ On 5/1/2009, Ms. Martin was posthumously inducted into the Rib Lake School's "Hall of Fame." |
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| During the preceding winter, a controversial dam was constructed. Using fill, brush, and old automobile car bodies, a dam was built across swampy land eastward from Evergreen Drive toward Rib Lake. The purpose was to make it eventually possible to raise the water level in Rib Lake. |

The Rib Lake Herald at this time was an impressive newspaper. It had an attractive, neat and catchy appearance. The writing was crisp and entertaining. The scope of the local coverage was simply impressive. It was folksy and engaging. ¶ Its filler material was impressive. Note, for example, the filler from the same edition of the Herald announcing its three awards: "Year by the year the new sap rises - in the hidden work. The marvel is performed again - the bud that brings that fruit - burst into a cloud of glory - like a miracle - changing stark, misshapen things to forms most beautiful. ¶ Call it Nature, if you will - but I shall call it God. ¶ No blind force could conjure all this beauty from the sod - that same Mind which sewed the stars among the Milky Way - brought the womb out of the earth - and set it on the spray." From Easter Ideals.

The June 14, 1962, edition of the Herald reported: NEIGHBORS LEND HAND ON RAISING BARN FOR THE NORMAN KUTZKES. "Friends and neighbors rallied again during the past week to help Norman Kutzke replace his barn, which was destroyed by a flash fire on his farm east of the village on May 2. ¶ A crew of 36 men started the work of raising the new structure on Saturday, but were rained out at noon. About 40 showed up to continue the work Monday and there were 22 present on Tuesday.

A smaller crew finished the roofing on Wednesday. ¶ The barn is somewhat more compact than the 100 x 30 foot structure, which it replaces, but is ample in size for the needs. ¶ Ladies of the neighborhood helped the bee along by providing meals for the workers, with some Rib Lake businessmen donating food and refreshments to sustain the inner man. ¶ It really was a second phase of "operation-help-Kutzke" as volunteers had converted a machine shed and garage into a "milking parlor" to accommodate his herd of dairy cattle on the same day the fire occurred. ¶ With the second phase of the operation completed, the Kutzkes are about in the same position they were before the conflagration - except for the loss of 9 head of livestock, hay, grain, and some farm machinery."

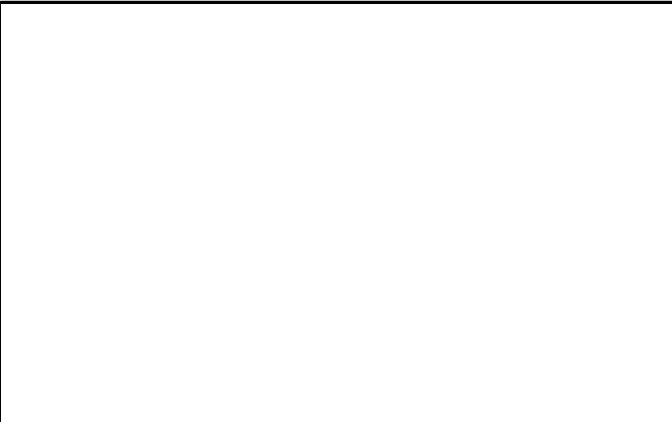
This is a portion of a well-written and engaging speech. Ironically, Joe Knorn retired this year, 2008, from active farming, and built a beautiful retirement home along STH 102. The Knorn farm, situated in almost the entire south half of Section 8, Town 33 North, Range 3 East, was passed to Joe's daughter and son-in-law. It is a century farm,

George Knower's store, post office and home - called "Watersong" - was 1/4 mile north of modern CTH M on the east bank of the Rib River.

Rib Lake has had many Kennedys who are not relatives of the dynamic, founding Kennedy family. To keep them straight, you may consult my essay, *Movers and Shakers: Cast of Characters to Early Rib Lake History*. Its latest version is Doc. #12768. ¶ *As a graduate of RLHS, Anna Mae should be considered for induction into Rib Lake School's Hall of Fame. Her graduation from*

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| <p>This development foundation continues to exist. It offers, for example, a \$10,000 inducement per new employee for any entrepreneur opening a new business here.</p> |
| <p>Becker's Tavern is known in 2009 as the Bird's Nest. It occupies Lots 9 & 10, Block D, McComb's Racing Park Addition. Its address is 729 McComb Ave.</p> |
| <p>He was known to everyone as C.C. Lord. His tax return and bookkeeping service was located in a building on the east side of McComb Ave, occupying Lot 2, Block A, McComb's Racing Park Addition. In 2009, the site is part of the C&G Mobil gas station.</p> |

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| <p>The Spirit Lake Hotel was located on the southeast shore of Little Spirit Lake; in 2008, the public boat landing occupies the site. The old building stood until about 1990, when it was torn down. The last owner was James Mauch.</p> |
| <p>This edition of the Herald is filled with coverage on the How-de-do in '62 program and events. It was certainly a fun, popular and rewarding event.</p> |
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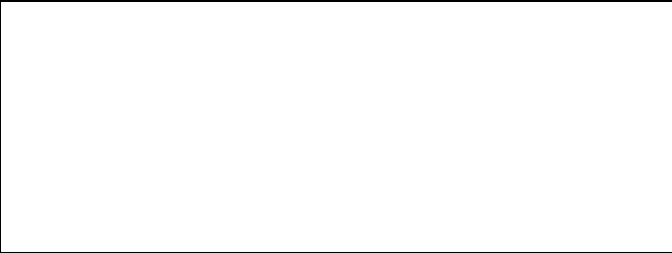


The introduction to the article provides: "written in January, 1905, by Emma Heany, daughter of Mrs. Charles Dufek of Ashland. The original notes are in the possession of Cy Claussen, New London."

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| A wonderful collection of the How-de-do parade photographs are on display in 2008 at Camp 28 Restaurant. |

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| <p>The Bonde farm and dance hall/picnic grounds were located in the NW 1/4 - NW 1/4, Section 20, Town 33 North, Range 3 East.</p> |
| <p>The Gamble Store building, 940 McComb Ave, still stands on the east side of McComb Ave in 2008. Until c. 1930, it was owned by J.A. Taylor, doing business as Taylor Hardware. In 2009, it is "The Rib Lake Music Center," featuring music lessons and instruments.</p> |
| <p>The new owners did business as "Butch's Bar"; it occupied Block A, Lot 12, McComb's Racing Park Addition to the Village of Rib Lake.</p> |
| <p>The Herald published excerpts of Lillian's writing. For example, "A beautiful new elementary school building has been christened "Clearview," and we think the name fits it neatly. Clearview carries a forward sound, a progressive sound, a determined and no-shilly-shallying sound. It has the tone of the future."</p> |

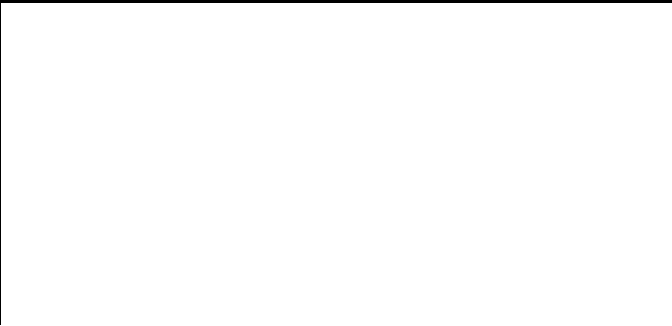
¶ Another example of Lillian's writing: "Signs of spring department - the whirr of skates sparkling the sidewalks long after dark, jumping ropes cracking, kites with tails caught in TV antennae, moppets clutching fistfuls of catkins for teacher, the high school band practice-parading during the noon recess, and tree toads creaking at night. (this could be our refrigerator going on the blink.)"



There are three forms of aspen, commonly called "popple," growing in Rib Lake, the quaking aspen, balsam poplar, and the big-tooth aspen. Each is considered a pioneer species; that is, one of the first species to appear after cutting or fire.

¶ Here is what the book "Forest Trees of Wisconsin" says about big-tooth aspen: "The use of aspen has increased dramatically over the past decades, which has changed its status from a "weed" tree to the most highly-used species in Wisconsin. It is a primary raw material source for pulp and paper, hardboard, waferboard and oriented strand board industries. Other industries use it in the production of lumber, matchsticks, lath and shavings. The residue generated at these industries is used in the production of densified wood fuels (pellets) that burn directly as green fuel."

The tavern building, torn down about 2000, stood in the southwest corner of the intersection; or said another way, in the NE corner of the NE-NW, Town 33 North, Range 2 East. Consult the CDs of Rib Lake History: Documents and Photos, for



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| In 2008, the Bogumil building still stands at 728 McComb Ave.; it occupies Lot 5, Block A, McComb's Racing Park Addition. Steven A. Konz operated a store there until 1917, when he moved to Appleton. Peter Lieg operated a department store there called the "Big Store" until Feb. 1920, when he sold out to the Bogumil brothers. ¶ In Nov. 1948 Peter Bogumil created the "Bogumil Locker Plant" there. |
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| The Schinker farm was on the east side of CTH C, the SW 1/4 - SW 1/4, Section 31, Town 33 North, Range 3 East. In 2008, it is owned by Thomas and Connie Dums. |
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| <p>The soon-to-be queen was Elizabeth, II. Chelsea, Wisconsin, is named after Chelsea, England, with one further step involved. Settlers from Chelsea, England, chose the name for their new home near Boston. When the Wisconsin Central Railroad was built through Taylor County in 1873, many of the board members of the railroad were from Boston. Those board members selected Boston-area names for the planned new depots along the line. That explains how we got Dorchester, Marshfield, Medford, Charlestown [present day Whittlesey], Chelsea, and Westboro. ¶ About 1882, the train depot of Charlestown was renamed Whittlesey after Ezra Whittlesey, the founder of Ashland, and early Wisconsin state assembly representative.</p> |
| <p>The decision by the Rib Lake Commercial Club not to sponsor the annual Farmers Institute marked the end of a long tradition. ¶ Today, Oct. 10, 2008, I had the pleasure of interviewing Roy Stewart. He pointed out that one of the major controversies in the Rib Lake Commercial Club would come in the early 1980's, when a woman dared to apply for membership. Nancy Strobach, the owner of a grocery store</p> |

on McComb Ave., applied for membership. It was a hot-button issue because women had never been members of the Rib Lake Commercial Club. ¶ Not only was Nancy eventually permitted to join, but eventually the membership was open to non-business people. Roy Stewart explained that pundits then renamed the club the Rib Lake Comical Club.



The Blue Royal stood on the east side of STH 13 at its junction with STH 102. It closed as a public bar c. 1990.

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| <p>The Farmer's Store was located at 821 McComb Ave., it occupied Lot 6, Block C, McComb's Racing Park Addition. In 2008, it is the site of the George Zondlo barbershop. ¶ The potato warehouse stood along the then railroad tracks on Ella Street between Landall and Fayette. ¶ The Becker tavern, later known as the "Bird's Nest," occupied Lot 9, Block D, of McComb's Racing His son, Robert Becker, successfully served as Rib Lake school superintendent for many years.</p> |
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| <p>As of May 7, 2009, all issues of the Rib Lake Herald, up to 1902, are lost.</p> |

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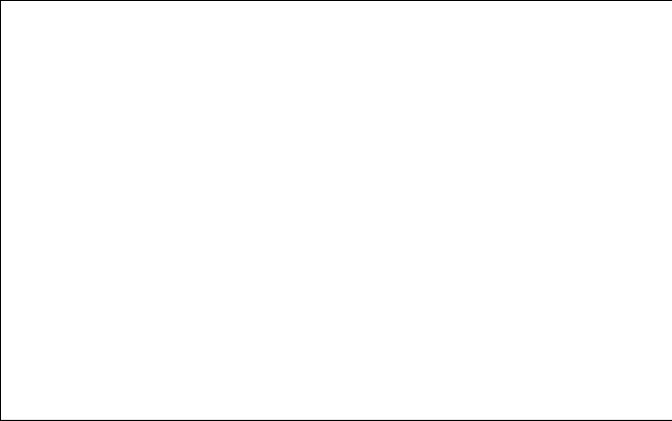
The idea of a state park at Timm's Hill failed. In the 1980's however, Price County established Timm's Hill County Park. ¶ You can hike from the Village of Rib Lake to Wisconsin's high point on the beautiful, non-motorized trail system, including the Ice Age National Scenic Trail, and the Timm's Hill National Trail. ¶ Pearson's Hill is approximately 1/2 mile east of Timm's Hill, and is Wisconsin's second highest point.

The old tile factory building still stands on tannery lane, 200 feet north of Fayette Avenue. It was once the power plant building for the tannery. ¶ Efforts to get an industry to locate there were successful. The Brothers Two Corporation, operated a successful woodworking plant there from approximately 1965 to 1985.

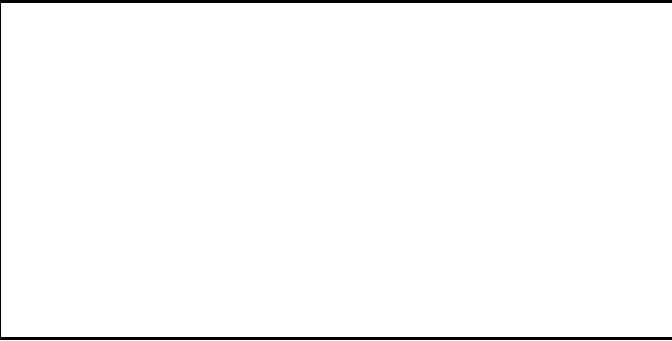
Price County established a well-designed park at Timm's Hill which Ann K. Rusch describes as "a little gem." It is quiet, clean and user-friendly. Blomberg Builders constructed a tower on the summit from which visitors view the pastoral, hummocky moraine. Kathy and Lyle Blomberg operate a delightful restaurant and resort adjacent to the park. Every March they sponsor the Timm's Hill Trudge snowshoe walk/run. Participants climb the hill and run in snowshoes to the finish line on Bass Lake. For me and many, winter is the best season of the year. Events and venues like the Timm's Hill Trudge make it so.

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| <p>These efforts were successful in building the new high school, in 2008, it continues to be located at 1200 North Street. Eventually, the middle school was constructed to the west, and the elementary school was constructed to the north. These three school buildings, with attendant sport facilities, fit beautifully on a park-like campus.</p> <p>¶ The old high school was on Fayette Ave. In 2009, its site is the upper parking lot for the Camp 28 Restaurant.</p> |
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| <p>The large Krueger farm lay along the east boundary of the village. In 2009, its spectacular barn stands straight and unused.</p> |
| <p>The same edition of the Herald announced that 36 would graduate from the Rib Lake High School: "Georgia A. Becker, Anna G. Bohte, Norman G. Dassow, Carol J. Dunkel, Lawrence E. Fliehs, Jean D. Gerstberger, Robert E. Gilge, Beverly J. Hippe, Robert E. Gilge, Wayne A. Johnson, Ronald L. Judnic, Rita J. Kaehne, Carol J. Kaquatosh, Duane</p> |

¶ Also James R. Packenham, Michael H. Patrick, Douglas J. Polacek, Michael J. Pries, Mary Ann Rezutek, Jane F. Rizzi, Sandra A. Sackmann, Kathleen A. Schreiner, Karen A. Swanson, Curtiss A. Taylor, Patricia A. Thieme, Rolland T. Thums, Gerald F. Tlusty, Roger J. Tlusty, Catherine W.



The land is the southeast tip of Section 19, Town 33 North, Range 3 East. During the period of approximately 1970-1990, a beautiful wayside was operated at the site, featuring a well, pull-off for cars, and picnic tables.



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| <p>The loyal and hardworking people of St. Ann's should be applauded. After the church was closed, c. 1985, they organized to preserve the church building, built in 1888. It's a big job. In 2008, for example, they invested over \$25,000 to have the original basswood siding replaced. In 2009, St. Ann's Church is one of only 5 structures in Taylor County on the National Register of Historic</p> |
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| <p>The home being purchased by the Hesses is, in 2008, owned by Ned H. and Ann Orthmann, 709 Pearl St.</p> |
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Carl Ronald Marschke was born in Rib Lake to Mr. and Mrs. Carl and Violet Marschke. He founded the Marquip Corporation, which, at one time, had substantial factories both in Phillips and Madison, Wisconsin.

The Rib Lake Herald began operations in December, 1897. Its last edition was dated 9/20/1973.

The Rib Lake Tannery provided/rented houses for many of its laborers and their families to live in. The houses, when first built, were identical. In 2009, many of the old tannery houses survive. A row of 7 of them line the north side of Fayette Ave., beginning west of the Marge Nelson home - 916 Fayette Ave.

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| Erv Stelling had razed the farm home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Stelling, located in the NW 1/4 - SE 1/4, Section 19, Town 33 North, Range 3 East. My uncle, Fritzie Knop, had grown up on the old Knop farm immediately to its north. Fritzie used the old lumber to build a nice cabin on North Harper Lake. |
| Gene Clifford made the following editorial comment: "The reaction of Wes Stiel, Village Maintenance Superintendent, to the new weed cutter, is something akin to the attitude of a kid towards a new toy - he loves it. ¶ Thus far, the village has had little trouble in disposing of the weedy harvest. The stuff makes good fertilizer, because it is high in protein and mineral content. |

¶ There have been hints that seaweed may be the future basis of concentrated foodstuff for human, what is out of the way in anticipating that lake weeds might eventually be utilized in a similar manner? A straight diet of lake weeds for cattle, in the present form, isn't feasible, Howard Stern, president of Aquatic Control Corporation, the manufacturer, warns. They definitely cause digestive upsets when fed straight, but the inclusion of up to 3% of lake weeds in the bovine diet doesn't seem to bother the animal. You have to be feeding a lot of cows to make it worthwhile to blend lake weeds in the diet to the extent of only 3%..."

The Spirit Lake Hotel stood on the east side of STH 102 in the southeast corner of the lakeshore of Little Spirit Lake. The site is now the public boat landing. Besides the hotel building, there were two cabins in 1963, one of which was the former office building of the Rib Lake Lumber Company. That wooden structure once stood on the north side of Railroad Street and east of the lakeshore in the mill complex.

Three federal grants provided the bulk of the money necessary to finally construct a sewage disposal plant for the village.

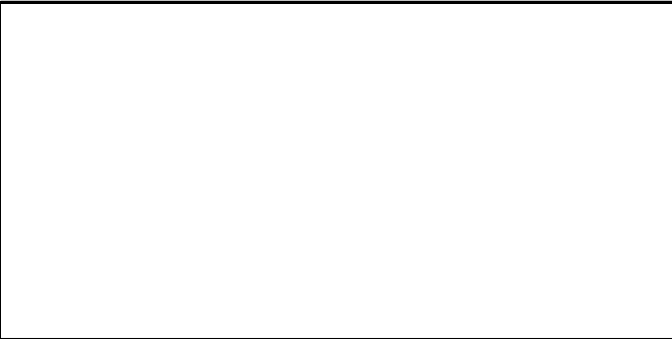
I take the 13.46 seconds to be the time necessary to drive a quarter-mile track. Bear in mind this is not a straight-away, but an oval.

While St. Ann's closed as a Roman Catholic Church, many of its parishioners helped organize a non-profit, charitable corporation to maintain the church and grounds. In 2008, that corporation is flourishing. That group deserves all of our heartfelt thanks for preserving this wonderful monument and landmark.

The three bells, St. Ann, Marie-Theresa, and Elisabeth, were rung May 3, 2009, at a lovely public get-together, which St. Ann's Historical Society conducts periodically. ¶ St. Ann's is named for Sankt Anna Kirche (Church) in Seewiesen, Bohemia. Seewiesen & Hammern are the German-Bohemian villages from which the pioneers of St. Ann's emigrated c. 1883-1890.

In 2008, the enrollment was 484. For many years, Rib Lake, like nearly every school in north Wisconsin, has been experiencing decreasing enrollments. Rib Lake High School, for 2008-2009, had 160 students. These figures were provided by Jeff Tortomasi, Rib Lake's school superintendent.

The building in question was the old power house for the tannery. The building still stands on Tannery Lane, 200 feet north of Fayette Avenue.



The next issue of the Herald included the following spoof by Gene Clifford: "Well, they held the election at Spirit Lake [tavern] last Saturday night, and the Herald photographer wasn't the only one who didn't show up. ¶ The mayor-elect himself, Art Schmidt, a clean-shaven bachelor if ever there was one, failed to appear, even though a carload of well-wishers showed up at his home and sought to rouse him out of the sack. He did show up in town on Wednesday morning and reported that he had resigned already. ¶ No money in the municipal till, he said, glumly - you can't operate a municipality like Spirit Lake - without money..."

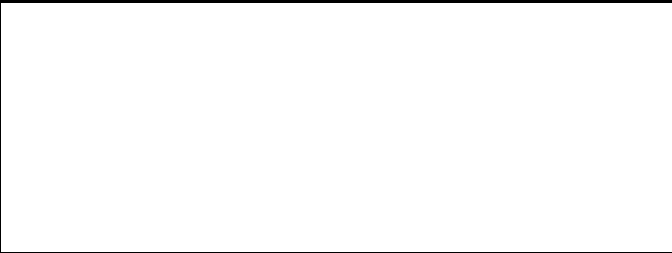
The Herald featured photographs of the new homes built by Delbert Brandner, Joe Kathrein and Duane Warner.

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| <p>To this day, everyone remembers just where he or she was when learning of President Kennedy's assassination.</p> |
| <p>A merry photograph of 6 happy men was printed by the Herald. This was the heyday of the hunting shack era.</p> |
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| By 2008, the Taylor County forest has grown to 17,700 acres. There are no plans for a massive increase in the size of the Taylor County Forest; rather, county foresters seek to acquire privately-owned "in-holdings"; the acquisition of these parcels avoids problems, such as trespass issues. Additionally, the county has acquired special use areas adjacent to the forest. Perhaps the best example of that was the acquisition of the 300+ acres of land during the 1970's including Wood Lake. |
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| I included this to demonstrate how times have changed. In 1964, this was front page news. In 2008, federal legislation forbids hospitals from disclosing the names of patients without specific consent. |

There is a lot of truth in this article. Let me illustrate: in 1968 I purchased a forty in the Town of Greenwood for \$950, the SE 1/4 - NE 1/4, Section 13, Town 32 North, Range 2 East. I rode the tree planter for three days as Armin Buehler and his crew planted the former farm field once owned by Stanley and Anna Dyrz. Most of the cost of the planting operation was paid for by federal cost sharing. ¶ The forty is atop the hill on the west side of CTH C, 1/4 mile south of Rib River. In 2008, the flourishing forest is owned by Wayne and Shirley Hamann.



The next edition of the Herald reported that the Rib Lake Fish & Game Association purchased the aerator: "Clarence Kalepp, Route 1, Dorchester, the dealer, reported that tests made after the trial equipment had been in operation for only 24 hours, showed the oxygen content of the water had been increased to 6 parts per million parts of water, which is sufficient for fish to live in."

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| Public access to the Spirit Lakes was eventually built off of STH 102 at the site of the former Spirit Lake Hotel. |
| The former Joseph Niggemann farm was the S 1/2 - NE 1/4, Section 32, Town 33 North, Range 2 East. |
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The era of Rib Lake Herald editorship by Mr. & Mrs. Clifford was - despite falling newspaper revenue - a great time for the Rib Lake Herald in terms of its journalism.

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| Between 1997 and 2007, the Taylor County Forest generated, as <u>net</u> profit, an annual average sum in excess of \$110,000. |
| The "Finnish Lutheran Cemetery" is now the Town of Hill Cemetery on Hultman Lake Road. To this date the vast majority of those interred there are of Finnish ancestry. |
| The North Side Garage occupied Block C, Lot 10 of McComb's Racing Park Addition to the Village of Rib Lake. It's street address is, in 2008, 835 McComb Ave. In 2008, the site is occupied by Gerstberger Florist. |

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| The same edition of the Herald listed the May 22, 1964, graduates of the Rib Lake High School: Charlotte M. Banks, Minnie B.E. Christensen, Hazel May Feero, Amanda Gilbertson, Harry P. Headstream, John A. Kennedy, Eve T. Knowler, Esther R. Krueger, Harold W. Krueger, Robin R. MacLennan and Marie A. Meyers. |
| The then shoe factory was located in a building on the northeast corner of Kennedy Street [CTH D] and Fayette Avenue. |

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| <p>The former A&W Root Beer stand still stands on the northeast corner of STH 102 and Kennedy Street; in 2008, the building is owned by Jim and Gloria Strebis.</p> |
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| <p>The establishment of the Peace Corps was one of the stellar accomplishments of the administration of President John F. Kennedy. ¶ Gene eventually returned following his successful stint in the Peace Corps. He became a graduate forester and was well-liked before dying as a young man from cancer.</p> |
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| <p>The idea of camping on Pine Island did not catch on. In 2008, the beautiful island continues to be owned by the village and one may certainly camp there if you like. ¶ About 20 years ago, Gary Thums had an idea about how to keep the brush on the island down. He took it upon himself to transport two goats to the island. When he went there later to camp, he found they wanted to be his</p> |

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| <p>Niggemann operated his store at 749 McComb Ave., Block D, Lot 14, McComb's Racing Park Addition to the Village of Rib Lake. In 2008, the building stood vacant. One of my dreams is to put together a walking tour of the village. A map and brochure would identify sites, such as the</p> <p>In 2009, the Niggemann store site is owned by Damien Jones. He operates a congenial, first-class coffee shop there.</p> |
| <p>The Rib Lake Commercial and Civic Club had come to the forefront at this time. You will note, however, it still did not have any female members. Nancy Strobach, nee Kroll, the eventual owner of Nancy's family store on McComb Ave., was to be the first female member, but that was still a dispute and a decade away.</p> |

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| Raatz's tavern was located on the southwest corner of Wood Creek Ave. and CTH C. It closed as a tavern about 1980. ¶ By 2008, most of the small |
| "Andy" Holzl was the long-time, always-smiling employee at the Rib Lake Roller Mills. |

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| In 2009, the "Rustic Motel" is owned by Emery Peterson. |
| The Rib Lake electric power grid represents an interesting twist. The village first received commercially-produced electric power from a municipal plant, c. 1904. Eventually, Lake Superior District Power Company - a for-profit company - strung its lines to the village. ¶ Its successor, Excel Energies, provides electricity for the village in 2009. ¶ The Township of Rib Lake is served by Taylor or Price Electric Cooperatives, - unincorporated, not-for-profit entities formed in the |
| Prior to the construction of this facility, village sewage was piped directly to the lake, except for those places having outdoor toilets. |
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| Beginning on Fayette Ave., Upjohn Road runs for 1-1/2 miles north from the village. For years, everyone referred to it as "the Polack Road" |

To learn more about this illustrious figure, search prior editions of the Herald using the annotated chronology CD, searching "Rademacher." You may also do the search online at riblakehistory.com or riblake.k12.wi.us.

John Schwartz was a bachelor who owned an 80-acre parcel on the east side of CTH C on the north side of Bear Ave. In his old age, he applied for and received from the county welfare in the form of "old-age assistance." The county had taken a lien on his farm. When he died, the county foreclosed the lien and sold off both the real estate and personal property. ¶ Donna and Marlin Walbeck eventually purchased the land from the county and constructed their new home there. They sold the old farmhouse, for \$190, to me. My dad and I moved the well-built structure in 1970, my present homesite, N8643 CTH C. The old Schwartz farmhouse is the nucleus for my present residence.

The same edition of the Herald reported: "MRS. ZONDLO NOT GUILTY "Mrs. Victoria Zondlo, was found not guilty by a jury in county court in Medford last Friday on a charge of serving beer to minors. The complaint had been made several weeks ago after two minor youths involved in an automobile accident claimed they had bought beer there. They had bought beer at another tavern, the

His son, Norman, was affectionately known to all by his unique nickname, "Jughead." ¶ The Schreiner homestead, the S 1/2 - SE 1/4, Section 2, Town 32 North, Range 2 East, is, in 2008, owned by Richard Schreiner.

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| <p>The Soo Line, short for Minneapolis, St. Paul and Sault Ste. Marie Railroad, absorbed the Wisconsin Central Railroad, which, in 1873, built through Stetsonville, Medford, Whittlesey, Chelsea, and Westboro; in 1883, it built the extension from Chelsea to Rib Lake. ¶ The Pendergast homestead occupied a part of the NW 1/4 - NW 1/4, Section 23, Town 33 North, Range 2 East; in 2008, the site ¶ In 2009, Ray's scrapbooks are at the Rib Lake Public Library.</p> |
| <p>Dio's full given name was Diogenese. His parents gave each of his siblings similar, beautiful, classical Greek names. Diogenes, born 325 B.C., was a Greek philosopher.</p> |
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| There was, and is, a strong Finnish settlement in the southwest corner of the Town of Hill. Its history is covered in a book entitled "A Home in the Woods." ¶ In 2009, the concrete steps are all that remains of the former St. Mark's [Finnish] Lutheran Church building. These ruins stand 1/2 |
| I don't believe that the described dam structure was ever constructed. |

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| The front-page photograph of this nifty team was featured in the Herald. |
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| The same edition of the Herald announced that Kenneth Mannel, funeral director, was appointed a member of the village board to fill out the unexpired term of Donald Meyer, who moved to the Town of Rib Lake several months ago. |

Lots 1 and 2, Block D, McComb's Racing Park Addition, were used for the new post office. Lots 1 and 2 were sold 8/22/1901 by the firm then operating Rib Lake's large sawmill, the W.A. Osburn Lumber Company, to the Wisconsin Central Railway Company. The railroad then used the land to extend its line northeast of the village to Spirit Falls, where the railway connected to the Marinette, Tomahawk & Western. While this connection at Spirit Falls was cut back c. 1915, the railroad tracks on Lots 1 & 2 lasted until after the RLLC mill closure in 1948. Thereafter, the lots

This article appeared in the "Annual Forest Fire Prevention" Edition of the Rib Lake Herald, printed on green paper.

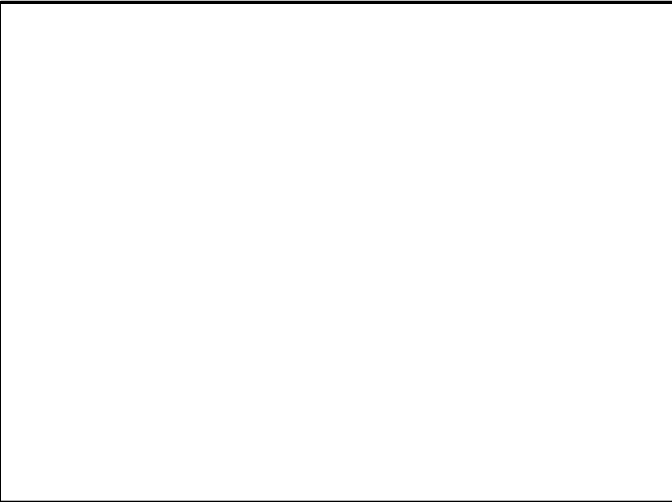
In 2009, Phyllis Pope is long-retired and resides in Medford. She is head of the Taylor County Democratic Party.

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| <p>John A. Kennedy was the son of Allen Kennedy, the blacksmith, and Mary Kennedy. The Nov. 11, 1904, edition of the Herald announced that Allen Kennedy and Jacob Miller formed a partnership and will erect a blacksmith shop in the village. "Mr. [Allen] Kennedy has no peer in the country as a blacksmith...and will do the blacksmith work. ¶ As of Oct. 30, 2008, I have no evidence to indicate that Allen Kennedy was a blood relative of the founder of Rib Lake, J.J. Kennedy. ¶ For information on the various Kennedy families of Rib Lake, consult RLH: Movers and Shakers: Cast of Characters to Early Rib Lake History. It bears</p> |

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| Since Ole was one of the most successful and illustrious son of Rib Lake, he has earned his own topic in the annotated chronology of the Rib Lake Herald. To trace to his long and illustrious life, you may search the annotated chronology under the name "Ole A. Peterson." |
| This man was routinely referred to as Bill Junk, a corruption of the German pronunciation of his last name. |

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| At this time, the editor of the Herald, Gene Clifford, regularly ran, on the front page, a column of tidbits of news from 10 years before. ¶ I had to look up the meaning of coccidiosis. The Webster's dictionary defines it as: "A disease mainly of animals and rarely of humans, caused by an infection of the digestive tract by parasitic protozoa of the order Coccidia." |
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For years the Rib Lake Roller Mills invited everyone, especially farmers, to its annual doughboy open house. Its corporate patron was Doughboy, centered in New Richmond, WI. The best-attended open house took place in 1965, when a calf was given away. ¶ William Schreiner is the present owner of the Roller Mills. Founded about WWI by Thomas Brehm as a flour and feed mill, its cornerstone still displays "July 14, 1910"

You will note that Saturday was Walbeck Day, named for Marlin Walbeck - local boy made good in stockcar racing. One of his racecars "Little Screamer #30," was pictured on the booster buttons sold as part of the event. ¶ The reference to the Glengarry Highlanders is to a Scottish pipe and drum band from Merrill.

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| <p>This is the plant that, as of 2008, still serves the village. It is located in the southwest corner of the village and disposes of treated sewage into Sheep Ranch Creek. Earlier in the year 1965, Sheep Ranch Creek was rerouted downstream from the plant to no longer run into Rib Lake, but directly into the Rib River.</p> |
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As of 2008, the enrollment in the district is under 500; in recent years it has steadily decreased. The age of the big family is over.

In the 1970's, Otto and his wife, Lorraine, Miklautsch sold the 360-acre parcel, including beautiful Wood Lake, to Taylor County. By that time, the Trading Post had closed. The site is now part of Wood Lake County Park.

The Norlin family gave its name to the Norlin one-room school that, for many years, stood on the north side of CTH C just north of the Garden of Memories Cemetery. About 1995, the home was purchased by Jim and Joyce Sommer; they moved the school building about 1/2 mile further west on

This ad by the Rib Lake Telephone Company, John W. Eckhoff, President, announced direct long distance dialing. ~~Gone were the days of talking to~~

The 60's and 70's were clearly the age of catalog center sales. At that time, both Montgomery Ward and Sears and Roebuck, the nation's two largest catalog companies, had catalog stores in Medford.

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| <p>The site for the Joe Lilly gas station is now part of the parking lot north of Ed's IGA Store. It occupied Lot 5, Block C of McComb's Racing Park Addition. ¶ After Joe Lilly left the station, it was run by a number of owners, including William Bokath, Onnie Haapakoski, Fred Rademacher, Louis Graf, and Emery Peterson. ¶ As to the claim that Joe Lilly's was the first gas station in Rib Lake, that statement is probably true. But, the Rib Lake Herald of Sept. 3, 1915, reported: "Ed Johnson has</p> |
| <p>Then followed a long list of winners of various competitions. In the category of Holstein dairy cattle, there were divisions for junior heifer calf, senior heifer calf, yearling, 2-3 year-old cow, cow over 3, and grand champion. A separate category was guernsey dairy cattle. ¶ Dozens of girls participated in the contest for dress review. The subdivisions there included aprons, first year skirt, skirt, dress, sports outfit, dress cotton, skirt and weskit, dress for best wear-not cotton, and dress-cotton best wear, and dress for preschool child. ¶ As of 2008, the Spirit fair is still a successful, annual event.</p> |
| <p>Note the reference to <u>Tim's</u> Hill, now known as <u>Timms</u> Hill. The hill is named after Timothy Gahan, early logger. In the 1970's, Roy Meier, local historical and booster, added the second m of his own volition; he thought the second m made the name more prestigious and appropriate for Wisconsin's highest natural point.</p> |

The 1960's saw the first use of dogs for hunting bear in Wisconsin. Prior to that, the lawful season included the annual Thanksgiving week devoted to deer hunting.

A well-written and long article recounts the life of Carl A. Zielke, brother to Harold Zielke, the then-owner of Zielke's food store on McComb Ave. in Rib Lake. Zielke commented that the years after he left college, 1934, were tough years because of the Great Depression. At that time, the typical cost was \$10,000-\$15,000 to buy a weekly paper in Wisconsin. At that time, there were over 300 weeklies ¶ The delightful article ended with the following: "At last year's Association Convention, Zielke was given a plaque and a purse to commemorate his 30 years with the organization. A national publishing monthly erroneously reported that he was retiring - at 57, he has no plans to quit. Immediately, Zielke started getting letters from around the nation. ¶ I called the publication in Washington and asked for a retraction before any more of my friends got out on a limb by telling me how great I was', he said.

Up to 1965, every Taylor County municipality - including townships, regardless of population, had a county board member. That system was abolished by implementing districts having fairly equal populations. ¶ Taylor County did not get the new state boys training school; instead, it was located in Lincoln County and is now known as Lincoln Hills. ¶ The Taylor County Teachers College, which had provided free tuition for individuals desiring to become teachers, was eventually closed; in its

The 1960's and 70's were the glory years for mink farming in Taylor County. My law office building, 111 E. Division Street, in Medford, was then owned by the Hudson Bay Company of Canada, which operated a mink buying station there. ¶ At that time, a variety of mink ranches dotted the Rib Lake area. In 2009, only 2 remain, the Mike Patrick family operates one, and Herbert and Joan Magnuson the other.

Note the spelling of Timm's Hill. The second m has not yet been added by local historian Roy Meier, or, perhaps the Herald has not learned that the second m should be there - according to Meier.

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| <p>The article also noted: "The celebratory dinner will be in charge of Mrs. George Haenel and her helpers from Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church at Whittlesey, presently a mission of St. Theresa's. ¶ Each of the churches mentioned in this article, St. Ann's, and St. Theresa's, is now closed, with the exception of Our Lady of Perpetual Help. In In 2009, the Town of Westboro purchased the former church building and rectory.</p> |
| <p>Note that First Lutheran Church of Westboro was Swedish in origin. The Rib Lake Lutheran Church was German. The Spirit community had a Norwegian Lutheran and a German Lutheran Church (Zion). The Finnish community to the east of Westboro had its church (St. Marks). Ogema's</p> |

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| <p>This is the first time I recall the Herald ever running a headline reference a baptism. I know Mike Strobach personally and he is a great guy. But I think the use of the headline here showed that the Herald was scraping for filler information</p> |
| <p>This is a large advertisement in the Herald. It concludes with the following message "SHOP IN RIB LAKE!" ¶ The list is probably complete regarding the then-operating Rib Lake businesses.</p> |
| <p>Note the double negative in the headline; poor English - but catchy journalism.</p> |
| <p>Mrs. Albert Frischmann was Postmistress at Whittlesey. Shortly after this article, a state newspaper ran an article attacking postal rate increases and criticizing small, low-volume post offices like Whittlesey. Shortly thereafter, the Whittlesey Post Office, then a portion of the Frischmann home, permanently closed. ¶ To learn</p> |

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| <p>At this time in the life of the Herald, these area articles were less frequent than before. The Dec. 1965 edition of the Herald covered only two areas with special bylines, Westboro and Spirit. ¶ The lack of a byline for Greenwood is noteworthy. Since the editor was eager for, and clearly would have published Greenwood news, I subscribe the lack of such coverage to the absence of anyone in Greenwood willing to codify the news.</p> |
| <p>¶ Contrast the 1965 situation to that of 1903, for example. The 1903 editions of the Herald had dozens of area bylines: for example, Rib River Valley, Fawn Valley, Mud Lake, and east Rib Lake.</p> |
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| The Rib Lake team members were George Zondlo, Jr., Frank Yanko, Allen Zondlo, Russ Judnic, Rick Gilge, Dale Seidel and Dennis Lind. ¶ In 2008, George Zondlo, Jr., is a bright and bouncy member of the Rib Lake School Board. |
| There then followed a long article entitled Rib Lake High School News. |
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Just beneath the first letter was a second addressed to Eugene R. Clifford, reading as follows: "A few facts should be clarified as to your "Scoop" item of December 30. ¶ The Rib Lake High School news was written up on December 14, this news was then taken to your office after school (you even thanked the girls for bringing it down) at the same meaning you received the news before the Star News ever had the opportunity to see it. ¶ You were MAD, man, MAD! How do you think I felt after writing up the report, finally seeing it in the Herald two weeks later when it had been in the Star News the week before, and then being accused of favoring the Star News, also saying that you had never received the news? ¶ Our organization may be off at times, but what about yours? ¶ I feel that some apology is due because of your harsh, unjustified accusations. This apology should be made publicly in the same manner in which the accusations were made. Signed, Sincerely yours, Kathy Obenhoffer."

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| <p>Note the reference to Silver Creek. I take this to be a comment regarding the small creek entering Rib Lake on the east shore. The Herald has previously referred to the creek as Cemetery Creek. Early maps identify it as Copper Creek.</p> |
| <p>Note the beautiful Finnish names dominating this article. The southwest corner of the Town of Hill had, and has, a strong Finnish community. ¶ Linden is a German name for a basswood tree. I wonder if Linden had been anglicized from a Finnish name. I would love to hear from some Finnish speaker on this. ¶ The Hill family name is an example of anglization. I am told that it was a much longer,</p> |
| <p>Editor Gene Clifford is normally keen with the English language. Here he was sloppy. A robbery is a theft accompanied by the use of force or the threat of force against the owner. These were burglaries and thefts - not robberies. About 1978, a genuine robbery did occur at the Cat-tail Tap. I was then District Attorney. Two young men came</p> |

inside and threatened Mike Budimlija and his wife with a gun. Frightened for his life, Mike found and discharged his own weapon, superficially wounding one of the robbers, who then fled in haste. The culprits drove to the Meadow Farms Restaurant in Abbotsford, where the wounded robber said he wasn't feeling well and needed medical attention. As he was being treated at the Marshfield Clinic, the medical staff concluded it was a .22 shot and called the police. The police quickly put 2 and 2 together. ¶ After that, somehow a rumor got going that I would - as District Attorney - charge Mr. Budimlija with the shooting. I went on WIGM radio to explain that Mike was clearly acting within his right of self-defense, not only in respect to himself, but to his wife. There would be no charge against Mr. Budimlija as long as I was District Attorney.

The beautiful village park, on the northeast shores of Rib Lake, has evolved into a wonderful facility. It is handy and really diverse in what it offers. We have held family reunions there. My grandchildren love the kiddie park. It is also wonderful that it blends into the cemetery right next door. It is so convenient and natural to walk from the park and

State aid remains indispensable for school districts. During the Nov. 13, 2007, session of the Rib Lake School Board, District Administrator Jeff Tortomasi reported that actual state aid to the Rib Lake district has fallen to 55% of the Rib Lake budget.

Under the spirited leadership of its president, Roger Emmerich, the Taylor County Historical Society has flourished. Its collections are housed at a fine county-owned facility in Medford, where the Society has both an indoor and outdoor museum.

Note the comment of the crumbling brick. I surmise they were probably locally made brick. For many years, the Langenberg family of Stevens Point operated a large brickyard one mile south of Whittlesey on the east side of the Soo Line railroad tracks; in 2008, the site is a ball diamond and park. The koalin clay there produced a beautiful red-orange brick. Another brick operation was operated by the Fischer family, one mile to the southeast. ¶ The Langenberg brick factory at Whittlesey was a substantial operation. It had its own railroad spur. It supplied bricks throughout the region. By modern standards, the bricks were inferior, too soft, making them subject to crumbling.

At that time, anyone charged with a crime who was under the age of 18, was prosecuted in juvenile court where their names were not made public. About the year 2000, the law was changed to provide that anyone 17 years of age charged with a crime would be prosecuted in adult court.

Until the dissolution of the Club in the early 2000's, it was a positive, driving force in Rib Lake life. Its accomplishments can be viewed by going online to read its anniversary booklets. ¶ You will note that the given names of the women are not used. That was the long custom of this club.

Coincidentally, yesterday, Nov. 14, 2008, Ken Mannel and I appeared before the Taylor County Forestry and Lands Committee. We urged the committee to erect a plaque at Wood Lake County Park giving tribute to Otto and Lorraine Miklautsch's efforts, which resulted in Taylor County purchasing the Miklautsch property around Wood Lake. Those efforts, about 1978, resulted in

In 1962, I was among the 200 students attending Northwestern College at Watertown. It had a rigorous academic program, including mandatory classes on Saturday morning. My Saturday morning classes were English, German and Latin.

Such was front page news in the Rib Lake Herald in 1966. What a witty style of journalism. Dippydog was actually Clarence Waldhardt, "Spike" Clendenning was long-time village clerk, Melvin.

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| <p>At that time, the United States was heavily involved in the Vietnam War. ¶ Despite the geniunely heroic service by Kenneth Synol, and many Rib Lake area servicemen, the war was a military defeat for the USA.</p> |
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| <p>The Laabs dairy plant was on the south side of Westboro, just east of the Soo Line railroad tracks. It was a large, well-built, brick building, making an excellent cheese. ¶ At the time the tracks were taken up, and the Pine Line Rail Trail was established in 1990, the building stood vacant. It was razed about 1998.</p> |

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| Oscar's widow, my aunt, Rose Rusch, nee Freimuth, lived to age 102. |
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| The Seidel store stood in the SE corner of CTH D and old STH 13. The grocery store operated until c. 1995. In 2008, it was owned by a gunsmith. In June, 2009, Doug Thums is razing the old building. |

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| Plain talking county Judge Peter "Pete" J. Seidel remained on the bench until 1980. His secretary was Mrs. Jeannete Clendenning of 830 Pearl St., Rib Lake. ¶ One day Judge Seidel heard arguments from two attorneys on a knotty legal question. Judge Seidel exclaimed: "I don't know why <u>I</u> have to decide this!" |
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| In 2008, the former Mattox farm, the S 1/2 - NW 1/4, Section 15, Town 33 North, Range 2 East, is owned by Todd and Lisa Peche. It lies on the south side of CTH D. The buildings are long gone, but apple trees and overgrown lilacs mark the spot in the middle of a hay field. |
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| I now quote the remainder of the article written by Editor Gene Clifford: "The donation is a touching one to the entire Rib Lake community. It shows the high regard of a large company for its employees, their families and friends, and their humble, possibly, but proud and independent backgrounds ¶ The Herald sincerely thanks the Charles W. Wright Foundation on behalf of the entire community." |

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| Trying to build a dam and dike on the wetland location had proved a daunting task. |
| The Wudi's are among the pioneer families that founded St. Ann's Church. |
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This is an abbreviated printout of the weekly Westboro Scoop column, written by Vienna Lucia at this time. A companion article entitled "Westboro High School News" was written by Linda Wennerstrand. She reported that the prom was a success: "The court of honor was freshmen Jamie Odau, Susan Sackmann and Mike Scott; Theresa Mayer, sophomore; Mike Thums, Eileen Niggemann and Steve Fleegel, Sandy Hill, juniors: Richard Micke, Linda Pipkorn; seniors: Bob Olah, Marion Niggemann and Dave Nelson and Pat Leischer served on the court of honor.

The April 28 edition of the Herald was printed on green paper. This was an annual event during the spring fire season. It contained many articles urging care to prevent forest fires, and educating the public on the short and long-term effects of fire. ¶ The article also listed emergency fire wardens from whom burning permits could be acquired: Frank Zondlo, George Zondlo, and Donald C. Coleman, Town of Rib Lake; Carl Meier, Town of Spirit; Frank Matyka, Town of Rib Lake; Carl Loeffler, Town of Chelsea; George Terryberry, Town of Greenwood; Chester Hause and Michael Bernas, Town of Ogema; and Kenneth Anderson, Town of Hill.

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| <p>Lorraine and William Miklautsch of Milwaukee owned the land around Wood Lake in 1966. In 1976, they sold their spectacular property, including the entire undeveloped shoreline surrounding Wood Lake, for \$250,000, to Taylor County; in 2008, the Taylor County Forestry and Lands Committee manages Wood Lake County Park there. The county board wisely decided to ban internal combustion engines on the lake; that</p> |
| <p>But for this wedding, there would be no annotated chronology of the Rib Lake Herald. This couple produced Cindy Kolecheck, now Cindy Sommer. Cindy has <u>typed</u> and organized <u>every word</u> within the annotated chronology. ¶ Cindy has been employed at the Rusch & Rusch Law Office since 2002. She is truly a master of the word processor</p> |
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| <p>The Chelsea Conservation Clubhouse on STH 13 was, and still is, a popular place for wedding receptions and other get-togethers. It is a well-run facility, producing significant revenue for the Club.</p> |
| <p>At this time, the federal government had engaged in a program of trying to induce farmers to <u>reduce</u> production of crops in an effort to increase farm income. Farmers agreeing to reduce the crops described in this article were paid a subsidy.</p> |
| <p>There is an impressive photograph of Archie Clendenning leading a team of horses hauling lumber to be planed at the RLLC mill complex. You can access that and other historic Rib Lake photographs by borrowing copies of the CDs of Rib Lake History: Documents and Photos, from the Rib Lake Historical Society, and thousands more like it, online.</p> |
| <p>The late Roy Meier wrote an informative history on the Spirit German Settlement; you may access it through the CDs of Rib Lake History: Documents & Photos.</p> |

This is typical of the folksy news under the Westboro column. At this time, the Herald published news of only two neighborhoods on a regular basis, Spirit and Westboro. In the Herald of the WWI era, dozens of neighborhoods had their own bylines, for example, Mud Lake, Fawn Valley, Rib River, Greenwood, and even "East Rib Lake."



The original memorial log rotted away. It was never replaced. I remember a part of the inscription. It claimed that the Rib Lake Lumber Company, and its predecessors, including the J.J. Kennedy Lumber Company, had produced 1,540,000,000 board feet of lumber.



The brand new post office had first opened for business on June 1, 1966. The Rib Lake Herald, inexplicably, failed to carry an article regarding the opening day

A Wisconsin statute then, and now, authorizes town boards to lay out a new town highway to landlocked parcels of land. The reference to the Youth Gospel Crusade Corporation is a reference to the legal owner of Camp Forest Springs.

Carl lost the election, but went on to become a successful author. He wrote delightful local history, focusing on Price County's German Settlement. His books were entitled: The Saga of the Spirit Valley (in 4 parts), Vietnam Strikes Home, and Spirit Falls: Logging Boom Town. ¶

Schouse was Southwell Rosenfeldt, owner and operator of the Lakeside Tavern. This large tavern and dance hall, called Germania Hall prior to WWI, long stood on the northeast shore of Rib

How is that for legalese? ¶ The ordinance contained 6 more paragraphs. It was approved by the village board, village president George Buksa, and published by village clerk Elsa Juse. ¶ To get the natural gas to the village, an underground pipeline had been laid from Westboro, running in a southeasterly direction to the village; the pipeline is still in use as of 2008.

In a typical week, the Herald would publish a couple of dozen "little ads." ¶ The same edition of the Herald contained the following ads spread over 2 columns: NOTICE TO OUR CUSTOM MEAT CUTTING CUSTOMERS "Please take notice that we will not accept any of your beef or hogs for cutting and processing during hot summer months. ¶ Will resume this service about Oct. ¶ We will continue to process if you have an emergency processing job, and will continue smaller process jobs like veals, quarters of beef, etc. Also will continue to sell and process packing house quarters, or sides of beef. ¶ Will continue our regular retail business, over counter sales. BOGUMILL LOCKERS - RIB LAKE, WIS."

Long-serving Robert C. Becker was the school adminstrator at the time.

In his "Down the Road" column, Gene Clifford wrote: "Rudy Kapitz went down the road a couple of days ago, and with him went something that has been part of Rib Lake for many years. ¶ On the last stretch of the road, he went alone, strictly speaking, perhaps, but a lot of friends went with him, round the lake and up the hill which overlooks it.

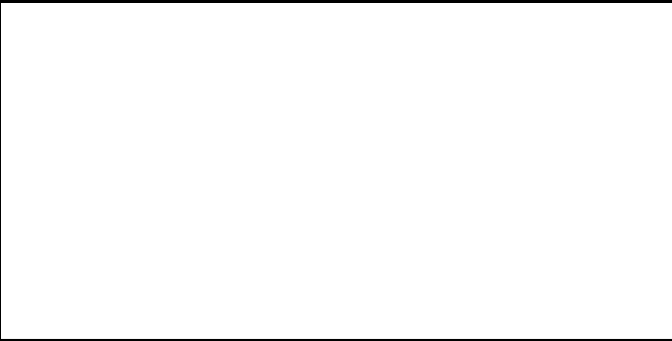
¶ Scores, even hundreds, of his friends weren't there in person, but the procession was much longer than was indicated by the cars which were in it, even though it was one of the largest funerals held here in many years. ¶ If there ever was a "Mr. Rib Lake" it was Rudy. ¶ He knew everyone who had lived in Rib Lake and vicinity for the past half century, he knew hundreds more who were regular



Dr. Hesse practiced out of the Rib Lake Clinic building, 657 McComb Ave. In 2008, the building is occupied by Hope Hospice and Palliative Care, Inc. This fine organization was founded about 1980 by Barbara Meyer, the wife of the Lutheran pastor, John Meyer.

Dr. and Mrs. Star Powers had a large residence just to the east of the old Ward School on Church St. Their home stood in the SW corner of Third St. and Church St. ¶ Retiring about 1990, they moved to Arkansas.

The local Lions Club, part of the world's largest service organization, is still going strong in 2008.



The "Little Bohemia Bowl & Café", in 2008, is still going strong under the able ownership of Paul Hohl, at 806 McComb Ave., 715-427-3355. ¶ The ancestral Seidel farm was in the SW corner of Timber Dr. and Holden Rd. ¶ Editor Gene Clifford, within this article, referred to the Little Bohemia on "Main Street" - that rankles me since from the time the street was created by A.C. McComb in

Warren P. Knowles was a popular, progressive
Republican governor.

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| <p>The new street has been blacktopped and is "Mill Lane" in 2008. In 2008, it has two major commercial centers, Rib Lake True Value Hardware, 700 Mill Lane; the second major business is J&P Auto, Inc., 744 Mill Lane. ¶ During the era of the RLLC, this low area was filled with excess wood chips, called hog feed. ¶ There is good reason to believe that Rib Lake once extended 400 feet further north into this area than it does in 2008. Note, for example, the map showing the lakeshore boundary on A.C. McComb's plat entitled McComb's Racing Park Addition to Rib Lake; there an arm of Rib Lake projects northward, extending north of a line made by extending Landall Avenue eastward. ¶ I believe the major impetus to filling this area came in 1901, when the Wisconsin Central Railroad extended its</p> |
| <p>Uncle Wally was quite a card. He believed in tickling you until you cried out for help.</p> |
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| <p>It appears that Taylor County went to great expense to extradite a party from the State of Arizona on a relatively minor charge.</p> |

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| <p>The building that once stood on the vacant lot was the Modern Woodman of America lodge, Lot 2, Block A, McComb's Racing Park Addition. ¶ To research area postal history, search "Post Office."</p> |

In 2008, Joe Sweda is a long-time member of the Taylor County Board of Supervisors, representing the Town of Roosevelt. ¶ Joe Sweda spoke at the dedication of the new post office and is quoted in the Herald as saying: "He hailed the new building as a symbol of the unique community spirit that exists here. ¶ We have to do more than build buildings to develop modern community, he said. In other words, community spirit is made out of more than bricks and mortar. It is composed of a strong desire to want to work together, a sense of pride, not only in personal achievement, but in the community achievement, a willingness to pitch in and help when your effort is needed, and an ability to trust in and work with friends and neighbors. "In my mind, these ingredients are here in Rib Lake."

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| <p>In 2008, the now vacant gas station building still stands at 720 McComb Ave. The site was originally that of the Wisconsin Hotel; in November of 1945, Hector B. Lindal built and opened the new gas station building. Gordon R. and Phyllis Nordgren bought the property on May 15, 1958.</p> |
| <p>Gregory Thums, in 2008, retired from a long career in medicine, is known to everyone as "Doc."</p> |
| <p>This appears to be the first time the Rib Lake Herald has ever covered news of a local snowmobile event. The modern snowmobile made its local appearance in the 1960's and was quickly a popular winter pasttime for many.</p> |
| <p>Harold A. Kennedy, his brother Stuart and sister, Anna Mae Kennedy, were children of Hugh J. and Caroline Kennedy. Hugh J. Kennedy was a brother of the founder of Rib Lake, J.J. Kennedy. J.J. was born in Canada in May, 1849. ¶ For photos and details regarding the Kennedy family, see RLH: Movers & Shakers: Cast of Characters to Early Rib</p> |

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| For approximately the last two years, the Herald has noted the \$1 and \$2 contributions that have come in to fund the construction of new restrooms at Lakeview Park. |
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| This is the latest in a series of paid ads regarding developments in the City of Berlin, Germany. Bear in mind that at this time, Berlin was divided between Communist and free zones, and was an island within Communist, East Germany. This is just 5 years after the Berlin Crisis of 1961. ¶ It is my take that the government of West Berlin has paid for these ads as a public relations campaign; the goal was to strengthen and solidify American support of free, West Berlin. ¶ The ad was accompanied by a photograph of an ultra-modern building along the Spree River in Berlin. |
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| <p>The Franck family of Westboro is responsible for a unique first in the State of Wisconsin. According to the <i>Guide to the Pine Line</i> , "August H. Franck constructed the only wind-powered sawmill in the State of Wisconsin. The Franck sawmill was destroyed by fire in May, 1907. The sawmill stood immediately to the west of the [railroad] track. After helping to saw local timber, August Franck</p> |
| <p>The Pendergast family was known far and wide for its long and faithful service to the Wisconsin Central and Soo Line Railroads. Raymond Pendergast, Jr., followed in his father's footsteps, retiring from the Soo Line after a long and distinguished career; he provided invaluable historical assistance with data incorporated into the "Guide to the Pine Line." It is a history of the Pine</p> |
| <p>The Swanson dairy farm is 3/4 mile directly east of Timm's Hill.</p> |
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| In 2008, you will find Mrs. Gordon Nordgren, nee Phyllis Knop, enjoying her pleasant cabin on North Harper Lake. |
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| In 1966, the Gem Products shoe factory was Rib Lake's largest employer. |
| For the sake of keeping the article short, I have not printed businesses in Whittlesey, Medford and Ogema. These Christmas "greetings" are a fascinating way to monitor people, businesses and places. ¶ Another section of the Herald Printed small ads by these businesses: 1. Jerry & Mildred Heindl, d/b/a Heindl's Clover Farm Store. ¶ 2. Butch and Bernie Ward, d/b/a Butch's Bar. ¶ 3. ¶ 5. Ernest Sunderlin, d/b/a Sunderlin's Thermo-Gas & Econo-Wash - coin operated laundry. ¶ 6. Bob, Vi & Margaret Schlais, d/b/a Schlais Clothing Store. ¶ 7. Mr. & Mrs. Frank Zondlo & Mr. & Mrs. George Zondlo, d/b/a Zondlo's Ballroom & Bar. |

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| Pastor Meyer, his wife, Barbara, and family had a long and successful ministry at Rib Lake. Barbara Meyer played a key role in founding and nurturing Hope Hospice and Palliative Care. |
| The synodical conference was an association of the Wisconsin synod and Missouri synod and smaller Lutheran bodies at the time. The synodical conference disbanded in the mid-1970's, with the Wisconsin synod and Missouri synod Lutherans |
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| L.P.C. were the initials for Gene Clifford's late wife, Lillian P. Clifford. ¶ The left side of the Herald was always devoted to a column entitled SUNNY SIDE OF THE STREET. ¶ The Cliffords had a sign made saying that, which they hung on the Herald office, which was located where Ed's |

This constitutional amendment passed. In approximately 2004, another amendment lengthened the term for sheriff from 2 to 4 years. State Senator Clifford "Tiny" Krueger represented Rib Lake for many years. He got his nickname "Tiny" from the fact that he weighed over 400 pounds. He once worked as a circus "fat man." Tiny Krueger was an intelligent and articulate politician. An ardent conservationist, Krueger has a portion of the Council Grounds State Park in Merrill named after him. His specially-made chair - built by artisans to provide the state senator with a seat in the legislature, is on display in the rotunda of the Lincoln Co. Courthouse. ¶ Good humored about his weight, Senator Krueger had himself "auctioned off" at a Rib Lake auction being conducted to raise funds to landscape the Rib Lake Clinic building. Walter John Chilson, editor of the Merrill Daily News, "bought" Senator Krueger for a penny a pound.

This obituary claims the funeral services were held at St. Mary's Lutheran Church in the Town of Hill. I have never heard of a Lutheran Church called St. Mary's. I believe the funeral was at St. Mark's Lutheran church. It stood 1/2 mile north of the Taylor-Price County line in the SW corner of Suomi and Saari Road.

The era of federal cost-sharing has arrived. In 2008, we think nothing about applying for state and federal matching funds and grants. Prior to the 1960's, such state and federal appropriations for the benefit of local government were rare.



The Olsen Hardware Store had been originally founded by Edward J. Johnson. It occupied Block B, Lot 5, and other lots within McComb's Racing Park Addition. About 1990, the old hardware store building was torn down; the new landowners, Woodland Community Church, constructed the Genesis Youth Center at 818 McComb Ave.

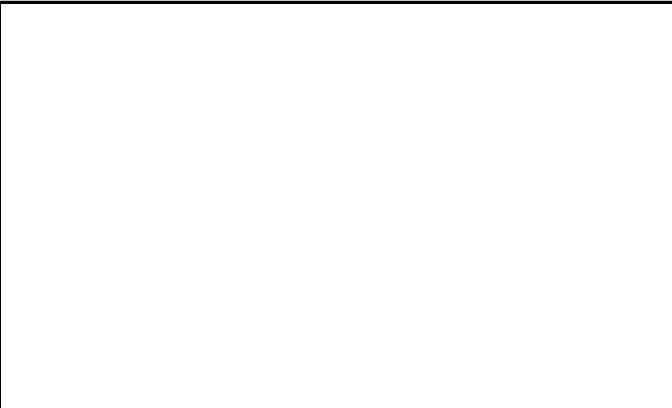
Attorney Ray Thums went on to a long and distinguished legal career, ending up as circuit court judge for Marathon County.

In 2008, 810 McComb Avenue, also known as Block B, Lot 3, McComb's Racing Park Addition, is a vacant lot. It once housed Bill Gessert's Meat Market, and later the Dixie Cup Restaurant. ¶ This article refers to the moving of the Fix-It Shop to 709 McComb Ave. In 1966, that was the former George Braun real estate office; in 2008, that real estate is part of Mann-Made Pizza, bearing the street address of 709 McComb Ave.; the lot is also known as Block A, Lot 3, McComb's Racing Park Addition.

Note the shortening of the name by the sons to Surek. This family left an indelible mark on the highway map of the Town of Rib Lake. In 2008, the Upjohn Road heads north from Fayette Ave. 1/2 mile west of CTH D in the Village of Rib Lake. In the Town of Rib Lake, it is known as Surek Road. Between Sections 14 and 23, Town 33 North, Range 2 East, Surek Lane leads eastward for 1/4 mile, ending at what was, for many years, the Surek farm. ¶ The Surek farmstead, the SW 1/4 - SE 1/4, Section 13, Town 33 North, Range 2 East in 2008, is owned by Charles Bukovcan. Anton "Tony" Surek died about 1980; his widow sold out and moved from the area about 1990. ¶ Surek Road is still locally known as the "Polack Road." A large number of Polish settlers were recruited to settle there by Jacob Kapitz about 1910.

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| Westboro native, Attorney Jerome "Jerry" Tlusty, would later join this firm. |
| The reference to "Bud's Bar" or George Buksa's "George's Tap" is to the building at 723 McComb Ave., Block D, Lot 7, McComb's Racing Park Addition; in 2008, the building is the Frosted Mug, owned by Damian Jones. |

The Hankes are one of Rib Lake's oldest families. Herman Hanke, the great-grandfather of Greg Hanke, worked at the McGillis Pine Camp. This well-preserved historic site is 1/2 mile south of Greg Hanke's home at W2479 Bear Ave. The McGillis Pine Camp has an historical marker along



About 1974, the Town of Rib Lake purchased the former Carlson's Sweet Spot building adjacent to the South Harper Lake beach. The building was sold to the Cihasky family, which moved the structure to the south end of the lake and remodeled it into a cabin. The former Carlson property made a nice addition to this popular beach. In 2008, the boat launch area stands where the former Carlson building once provided sweets and ice cream to all.



The WVIC never got permission to build any of these new structures.

Following the article, the editor provided this note:
"Herman has some good ideas. We're putting his \$2 "season pass" fee in escrow, pending some action on the situation." ¶ Herman Arthur Rusch was my father; 5947 N. 66th Street, Milwaukee, was my home from 1947 until I went off to college

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| <p>This historic building has a street address of 749 McComb Ave. ¶ The Strobachs successfully ran their grocery store for many years. Following their separation, Nancy Strobach, n/k/a Kroll, continued store operations until 1998. The building was operated for a short period of time in the 1990's by Gary and Donna Marschke, as the Family Meat Market. After standing vacant for a number of years, Damien Jones re-opened the building in 2008 as a coffee shop. Damien has extensively remodeled the interior and created a marvelous, hospitable coffee shop operation. ¶ Nancy Ann Kroll continues to reside in the Village of Rib Lake at 827 McComb Ave. as of May, 2009, she remains active in the grocery business as an employee of County Market, Medford, Wis.</p> |
| <p>At this time America had dramatically increased its military forces in Vietnam. America allied itself with the Republic of South Vietnam in an effort to prevent the latter from a takeover by communist North Vietnam.</p> |

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| <p>The Ed Sullivan Show and Arthur Godfrey were popular weekly television programs.</p> |
| <p>Women were not allowed to join as Lions until the 1990's. Until then, some chapters had "Lioness Clubs" for women.</p> |
| <p>Consult Doc. #12809 to view an ad published by this popular resort.</p> |

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| <p>The so-called "gas tax" is an important source of income for local units of government. At least one western Taylor County township prided itself on having <u>no</u> real estate taxes at all and scraping by solely on the gas tax.</p> |
| <p>This progressive idea eventually resulted in the establishment of the Apostle Islands National Lakeshore. ¶ Senator Nelson was an ardent environmentalist and founder of Earth Day.</p> |

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| The nuclear-powered submarine was a formidable tool in America's arsenal. It was armed with long-range ballistic missiles, capable of delivering atomic warheads. It stayed underwater for months in order to evade detection by the Soviet Union. |
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| Our high school classes have shrunk. Rib Lake graduated 40 seniors in May, 2009. |

The bulk storage tanks had originally been filled by a product brought in by railroad. ¶ At this time, Rib Lake was provided "Phillips 66" brand gas and fuel by Edwin Thums, doing business as Thums Oil Company. Phillips 66 heating oil and gas was provided in Westboro by Bud Odau, who ran his gas station in "downtown" Westboro.

This was a conspicuous advertisement in the Herald. Annually the Village conducted this spring clean-up. It set a very positive tone for the village. ¶ This mundane activity actually says a great deal about civic pride and local values.

Please note that what is referred to as the "Finnish Cemetery" is now known as the Town of Hill cemetery. To this day, those interred there are principally of Finnish extraction.

The editor of the Herald sold office supplies to supplement his income.

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| <p>In the next edition of the Herald Kane ran an ad thanking both the Volunteer Fire Dept. and an "unnamed passerby." The passerby was driving past the Kane farm, saw the fire and ran into outbuildings to save personal property. The passerby left before the Kane family could thank him.</p> |
| <p>This is a portion of the address by Valedictorian Patricia Hohl.</p> |

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| Phyllis Knop was to be married to Gordon Nordgren. Her uncle, Fritzie Knop, was the fun-loving prankster. ¶ In 2009, Phyllis lives in West Bend, Wisconsin, but we frequently see her at her North Harper Lake cabin. This article is a good example of the light-hearted banter typical of this |
| Pine Island is in Rib Lake. |
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| In 2009, first offense operation of a motor vehicle while under the influence of alcohol (OWI) will cost the miscreant a forfeiture of at least \$800. The forfeiture increases with higher levels of alcohol in the convicted driver. ¶ Wisconsin is the only state where first offense OWI is a forfeiture and <u>not</u> a crime. See the editorial published on 6/8/1967. |

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| <p>We are very lucky to have convenient swimming beaches at Harper, Wood and Wellington Lakes. While our lake water is dark in color due to natural tannic acid, it is clean, cool and refreshing.</p> |
| <p>For many years, Bob Gums carried on the family tradition of commercial painting.</p> |
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| <p>At the time, each week The Herald published an editorial. This is an example. The editor, at the time, was Eugene Clifford.</p> |
| <p>In 2009, Jim continues to operate his large and successful dairy operation along CTH C. Actually, he operated several farms, including that of his father, the late Charles D. Rhyner.</p> |
| <p>This marked the closure of the Westboro High School. ¶ The petition described here was eventually approved. In 2008, the former Westboro school district area is ably represented on the Rib Lake School Board by Marlene Rhyner. ¶ Consult Doc. # 12841-12845 to see photos of the Westboro Schools in 1985.</p> |

The Cooper Cheese Company had taken over the Westboro Cheese Factory, formerly operated by the Laabs Company

The carriage operator was the part of the initial sawing operations of logs at the RLLC. Once a log had entered the mill, it was placed on a carriage. The carriage ran on a short section of railroad tracks and was steam powered. It ran backward and forward. ¶ The carriage rider and his helper had the responsibility of turning the log and moving the log sideways from the carriage so it would run against a band saw. ¶ The carriage rider would literally ride a mile or more per day without leaving the

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| Taylor County and the state were in the process of closing the Taylor County Normal School and opening the branch campus described here. |
| St. Ann's Church and cemetery - what a special and spectacular historic site. It is named after Sankt Anna Church in Seeweisen, a small village in 1880 within the Austro-Hungarian Empire. |

For the past several months in 1967, controversy had swirled around the decision of the Westboro School District to close its high school. At least for the meantime, Westboro would continue to operate its own grade school. The Westboro elementary school's faculty consisted of Mrs. Elva Niemi, serving as kindergarten teacher and principal; Robin Uren, first grade; Kay Adams, second; Eva Bergman, third; Margie Terryberry, fourth; Karen Wahl, fifth; Elaine Gallistel, sixth; Pauline Novotny; seventh; and Richard Cornell, eighth. ¶ School custodians were Ernest Turvey and Leonard Peterson, and Mrs. Bonnie Andreae and Mrs. Bernice Koch were the hot lunch cooks. ¶ Mrs. Alice Grittner was the school secretary. Buses, owned by Vic Zentner, transported the Westboro school children.

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| Stone Lake is one of my favorite lakes. It is a great lake to swim in. If you swim to the very middle, you'll find a submerged rock island where you can stand. There is a beautiful flowing spring at the public boat landing. ¶ The west shore of Stone Lake is separated by a spectacular glacial esker from nearby Hultman Lake. The esker is a glacially-formed ridge over 60 feet tall. On top of the esker, the Timm's Hill National Trail provides free public skiing, snowshoeing and hiking opportunities. Hultman Lake residents, Carrie and Todd Olson, maintain a beautiful kiosk there for trail users. Carrie's spectacular photographs of wildlife, including bald eagles, are featured. |

George Buksa, Jr., is an amazing person - still going strong in 2008. He is a born promoter, a member of just about every club Rib Lake has to offer, and a tireless worker on behalf of the community. ¶ 41 years after he bought Hoppa's Resort, George and his wife, Faye, continue to reside there. ¶ George, Jr., told me about his conversation with his father when the RLLC closed. He proposed to his dad, a dairy farmer, that they purchase and operate the RLLC logging line as a tourist railroad. His dad nixed the idea.

The reference to Herman Ruesch (sic) and son, Tom, is to my father, Herman Arthur Rusch, and my youngest brother, Thomas Michael Rusch. ¶ Gene Clifford, then-editor of the Herald, and every editor before him, commonly misspelled my family name, adding an e. The Rueschs of Medford are a large and progessive family of Swiss background. My family has a north German, Prussian, background.

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The Donna and Marlin Walbeck home, on the shores of Rib Lake, has a trophy room. It is filled to the brim with hundreds of hard-earned trophies won by Marlin "Shoes" Walbeck during his long and illustrious racing career.

This impressive brick structure stood in the southeast corner of McComb and Landall Ave. In 2008, the site is a vacant lot. ¶ During WWI, the site was owned by P.E. Marcus and was the location for his long-running, successful department store, called "The Fair."

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| Duncan MacLennan was also a notary public. He notarized the signatures of his brother-in-law, J.J. Kennedy, in the 1899 Articles of Incorporation signed by Kennedy, his brother, Angus, and A.J. Sanborn, incorporating the "J.J. Kennedy Lumber Company," a predecessor to the Rib Lake Lumber Company. |
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| <p>The foregoing is typical of the weekly column in the Rib Lake Herald at this time. The Herald, at this time, was running a column of news from 55 years ago, 20 years and 10 years ago. The columns were a synopsis of past, local history.</p> |
| <p>This is typical local news in this weekly column featured by the Herald.</p> |
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| <p>This article was authored by Robert V. Roach, then district forester, at Park Falls, Wisconsin. Note that the federal government had a program in effect to provide free trees. ¶ I recall participating in a planting on an old farmfield along Highway C in the Town of Greenwood in 1970; federal cost sharing paid the majority of the fees for the</p> |

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| In 2008, that planting is a spectacular coniferous forest from which two thinnings have already been taken. It is located on the west side of Hwy C, 1/2 mile south of Trout Ave. |
| The Hankes are among the oldest families in our area. George Hanke's father, Herman Hanke, worked for J.J. Kennedy in the McGillis pine camp in the 1880's. ¶ The family is also noteworthy in that the name has not died out. The 2008 phone book shows 5 Hankes, Allen and Dorothy, Estelle and Greg and Cindy. |
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About 2005, the federal government enacted sweeping legislation protecting the privacy of individuals receiving medical care. That legislation makes impossible this type of coverage of hospital admissions. In 1967, the editor would routinely obtain from the hospital a list of its patients and publish them. ¶ In another portion of the Herald, the editor provided additional news under the title THAT BIG BIRD: "Mr. and Mrs. Alphonse Mitchell, Jr., are parents of a daughter, Barbara Sue, born on Monday of last week at Memorial Hospital in Medford. She is their first child. Mrs. Mitchell is the former Jacqueline Hein."

I note that the Taylor County Teachers College in Medford was still operating. Within the next 2 years, it will go out of existence after competing with the University of Wisconsin branch campus in Medford. See entries for 8/22/1968 and 12/19/1968.

I have set forth here only a small portion of this thoughtful article by Star Powers. It traces the monumental improvements in library-related matters in Rib Lake. Star ended with a long list of thanks to clubs, people and supporters. You will note that the issues of the annotated chronology

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| These unselfish public servants deserve our hearty respect and thanks. They play a vital, indispensable part in making Rib Lake the progressive community it is. |
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| This line was indeed constructed to Rib Lake. The pipeline enters the village through a swath of land cut through the county forest from Westboro. As of 2008, it is still the natural gas source for the village. |

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| <p>The bus garage housed the buses behind the then-Rib Lake High School building. In 2008, the bus garage has been remodeled into the Camp 28 Restaurant. The bus garage structure had been saved when the high school buildings were razed about 1986.</p> |
| <p>The metal 10-gallon milk can was rapidly being replaced by bulk milk shipments.</p> |
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| <p>Elsewhere in the Herald, Gene Clifford wrote: "Marlin (Churney) Curran is going to be missed not only in his hometown of Rib Lake, where he was born and reared, but in all of Taylor County, which he has served so faithfully for the past 17 years. ¶ He still loved his hometown, though, and he visited here frequently. He knew everyone and everyone</p> |

A man of great and good humor, he had a capacity for making friends and keeping them. He was always the same, with a cheerful word or a quip for all he met, even though he had had more than his share, through accident, of personal injury and suffering. ¶ He was a good officer, because anyone but a good one cannot survive the policital vicissitudes for 16 or 17 years. ¶ A sincere and dedicated officer, yet understanding and fair, we know our own thoughts in this matter will be agreed to by hundreds of other friends."

The Herald published a long list of the race results and ended with the following note: "Erv Zellmer, Oshkosh, who sustained a broken leg in an accident during one of the earlier races on Saturday, was ~~voted the sportsman's trophy by the drivers "~~

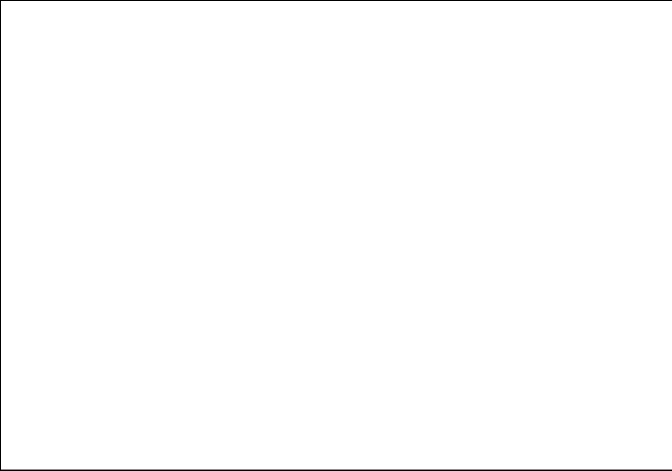
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| <p>The South Side Garage stood immediately to the west of the National Hotel, on the south side of Railroad Street between Second and Third Street. In 2008, the South Side Garage site is immediately to the west of Lakewood Credit Union, 103 Railroad St.</p> |
| <p>¶ Subsequent issues of the Herald contained an article by Barney Cihasky reading: "Now open for business - Barney's Deep Rock Service "Gas for less!" in the former Standard Station, general repairs, wrecker service, watch for our grand opening."</p> |
| <p>Dressed in a suit and tie, Herb Magnuson's picture depicts him holding an impressive trophy. In 2008, he is still going strong as Spirit's largest fur farmer.</p> |
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| <p>The winners in the primary were Eugene R. Clifford and Harold E. Zielke. Zielke went on to win the final election.</p> |

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| <p>The shoe factory, in 1968, was Rib Lake's biggest employer, and stood in the NE corner of Kennedy Street and Fayette Ave.; the well-built building still stands in 2008, now unoccupied. It was a victim of the internationalization of the business. In 2008, nearly all shoes worn by Americans are made overseas.</p> |
| <p>The former Nite Owl Tavern building had for many years been operated by Louis J. Scharer, as Scharer's Tavern. Louis opened the tavern in 1921, and his estate sold it in 1945 to Fred Marschke. The Vanuchas eventually opened the bottom floor of the building as "Old Towne Liquor." The building still stands on Lot 4, Block B, of ¶ The Lakeview Resort stayed open for public use until about 1990. It was located on the east shore of Big Spirit Lake, just south of Tabor's Island. Its last operators included Mr. and Mrs. Neal & Isabel Olkives.</p> |
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| John Carlson's farm home included the ski hill at Camp Forest Springs. |
| This construction resulted in what is - in 2008 - the Rib Lake Health Care Center, 630 Pearl Street. The prior site of the Golden Age Nursing Home was the former Commercial Hotel building, in the SW corner of Railroad and Third Street; in 2008, it is a privately-owned apartment building. |

In 2008, the former Soo Line depot in Medford still stands. The railroad sold it to a private party about 1989. ¶ In 2008, there is still freight service to the City of Medford provided by the Canadian National Railroad, the successor to the Soo Line.

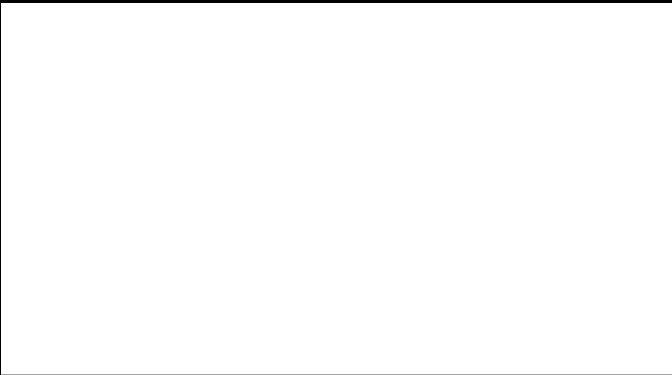


A photograph of a beaming Jerry Gilge holding his huge fish is printed on the front page of the Herald.

Whenever I think of the Kathreins, I think of the beautiful Christmas decorations annually made by Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Kathrein on their home on the north side of STH 102 in the northeast corner of the village. They really go all-out to make beautiful Christmas outside decorations.

This family long operated the Gustafson Lumber mill and yard in the 1920's and 30's, just to the southwest of the Catholic church in the village. ¶ These mill buildings, as well as most buildings in Rib Lake, are shown in scale on the spectacular Sanborn maps dated 12/1926; consult Doc. #12909-12909D.

Mr. Meier stunned everyone at the annual meeting by resigning. He wisely indicated that he felt that it was important that the Town of Westboro have a representative on the Rib Lake joint school district, now incorporating the Town of Westboro area previously served an independent Westboro school district. The board of education took his suggestion and selected Ted Peterson because of his residency in the Town of Westboro. ¶ In 2008, the Town of Westboro is represented on the school board by Marlene Rhyner.



From the Model-T days until the summer of 1968, all vehicular parking on McComb Avenue was diagonal. It was the only parking we ever knew there, and it was, therefore, totally natural. Frankly, I liked it.

Note that it was lawful for any hunters during the 10-day traditional deer hunt season to shoot a bear. No special permit was required, other than the big game license. ¶ This was shortly after it became lawful for bear hunters to use dogs. Permit me to tell a story about my father, Herman A. Rusch, who was an avid deer hunter. During the 1950's, it was customary for deer hunters to hunt in a group, each

In November, of 1955, the Rusch gang went into the Town of Spirit. Dad was assigned to post. He had stood on the post for some time when he heard and saw a large black bear coming in his direction. He shot the bear; it rolled down a small embankment, and lay still. Dad remained on post. ¶ About 10 minutes had passed when my father saw two men following the bear track. The men, from a competing "gang" hailed my father, "Herman, have you seen our bear?" My dad responded: "No, I have not seen your bear, but if you'd like to see mine, it's lying down there." ¶ The competing gang had been trailing the bear the entire day. Dad proudly had the 325-pound bruin made into a bear rug.



This was the first school term after the former Westboro School District went out of existence. The Westboro School District had been divided between Prentice, Medford and Rib Lake. ¶ In 2008, the former Westboro Elementary School still stands in Westboro, unused and forlorn.

State Senator Robert Knowles won the election as Attorney General.

This marked the metamorphis of the long-standing Taylor County Normal School into a branch campus of the University of Wisconsin system. The 9-year-old Taylor County Teachers College building referred to had been erected on the south side of Medford near Conrad Street. In 2008, it is the site of Taylor County Human Services Dept. Up to its construction, the Taylor County Normal School sat directly to the southeast of the Taylor County Courthouse.

This is a real shocker. This is the first inkling that Gene Clifford had thought of giving up the Rib Lake Herald. While the Herald had changed hands 4 or 5 times prior to Gene Clifford buying it, all of the sales in the past occasions had been announced after the fact. ¶ I have no explanation for Gene Clifford's decision to place the Herald for sale. ¶ The same edition of the Herald contained a Thank You letter from State Senator Robert W. Warren, candidate for Wisconsin Attorney General: "Dear Gene: Just a quick note to express my appreciation for the kindness you extended to me at the Rib Lake dinner. ¶ I think you were most patient in sitting through the dinner and taking those copious notes..."

Note that this was a "beer bar." At that time, one could apply for and obtain a beer only - no liquor or wine - license. The vast majority of resorts and taverns obtained a traditional license permitting the sale of beer, wine and liquor.

What a powerfully-written essay by the Rib Lake Librarian, Star Powers. Star was married to Duane Powers, then Rib Lake's local dentist. Star was an avid historian and a poet.

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Rib Lake's school enrollment swelled with the inclusion of many students from the now-defunct Westboro School District. ¶ High school teachers listed were Keith Zintz, agriculture; Buehla Zintz, English; Ned Orthmann, music; Mary Ann Mujwid, mathematics; Jack Wolter, science; June Freiberg, business education; Bernice Stellick, English and Spanish and library; Naomi Stellick, home economics; Frank Werner, industrial arts; Barbara Acker, social studies; Cirro Buker, physical education and coaching. ¶ The junior high school included Carol Kobelish, social studies and English; Anne Packenham, social studies and English; Roger Nyberg, mathematics; Donald Kubac, science; Richard Cornell, English & Mathematics; Gertrude Mielke, art and music; Susan Becker, home economics; Leo Leahy, physical education and coaching; Frieda Anderson, special education; and Veronica Patrick, grade 5. ¶ Teachers at the Clearview School included Estelle Bohte, kindergarten; Faye Curran, grade 1; Ellen Ljungquist, grade 2; Della Leahy, grade 1 and 2; Connie Kubac, grade 3; LeClaire Persich, grade 4.

¶ The Westboro Elementary School staff consisted of Elva Niemi, kindergarten and elementary supervisor; Ave Bergman, grades 1 and 2; Nancy Wendt, grades 2 and 3; Pauline Novotny, grades 4 and 5; and Elaine Gallistel, grade 6. ¶ The Greenwood school teachers were Estelle Bohte, kindergarten; Carol Vickerman, grade 1 and 3; and Helen Dums, grade 3 and 5. ¶ The Rib River

This gives me a perfect opportunity to mention the "Polack Road." No offense intended to anyone. ¶ For years and years, everyone referred to the town road leading north from the village as the "Polack Road." Hardworking Polish immigrant farmers dominated the homes along its route. ¶ About 1980, the town board named all streets under its jurisdiction and came up with "Surek Road" and "Surek Lane," after the Tony Surek family.

The editor of the Herald, Gene Clifford, wrote the following regarding Mike Schmidt: "Another gentle man for whom we have mourned in the past few days is Mike Schmidt. ¶ He was very, very ill for a long, long time, and his passing possibly was a release. ¶ Mike Schmidt was big man in more ways than one. The fact that there were 8 pallbearers proves it, although probably wouldn't have been necessary, as he had

lost much of his physical weight, but little of the weight which endeared him to the community for so many years. ¶ He had been in this neighborhood since 1914, as a farmer, a resort operator, a school board member, road superintendent, a teller of tales, many of them tall - always good-natured and friendly. ¶ He was born in the Marshfield area, towards the south, and when his neighbors, the Krauses, moved to Missouri to farm, he went along. It probably wasn't entirely coincidental that he married a Krause girl - Ella - at Dixon, Missouri. (And that is a new thought for today.) And they came back to Wisconsin. They celebrated their 60th anniversary last July. ¶ Harper Lake Resort has always meant Mike Schmidt, and it probably always will. ¶ We will all miss him." ¶ Mike was known as "Pa." His wife was always "Ma." They were a delightful couple."

Henry was a member of one of the original German-Prussian families that immigrated to Spirit and gave rise to the "German Settlement." I believe the original German spelling of the name was Rhode.

The editor of the Herald, Gene Clifford, had the following commentary: "Village of Rib Lake voters kicked up their heels on Tuesday and went Democratic in several instances. ¶ Humphrey polled 190 for president, as compared to 141 for Nixon, and 46 for Wallace. ¶ Warren P. Knowles, 169 [Republican], Bronson LaFollette, 210. ¶ The Town of Rib Lake surprisingly went Democratic for the first time in many years, with 243 turning up at the polls, for 49 straight Democratic ballots, and 31 straight Republican ballots. ¶ For president, Humphrey-Musky combination had 113 votes; Nixon-Agnew 82, and Wallace-LeMay 45."

One of the important committees of this group was in charge of "booyah" preparation - John Eckhoff, chairman; Butch Ward, Ed Martin and John Steen. Annually the Fish & Game Club served about 150 gallons of its famous chicken booyah at the winter ice fishing jamboree.

The Soo Line had ceased running its passenger train, "The Laker," through Taylor County [Stetsonville, Medford, Whittlesey, Chelsea and Westboro] on December 27, 1958; [For an account of the last passenger train ride, see Doc. #12,855]. But as of Dec. 1968, you could still catch The Milwaukee Road [the Milwaukee, Minneapolis, St. Paul and Pacific Railroad] at Wausau.

This program of timber stand improvement ("TSI") was the start of my career as an amateur forester. You invited the county forester to come to your land. The forester inventoried private land and would mark a portion for selective cutting. In my case, the forester - at my request - marked between 3-5 acres per year. The first marked for cutting were crowded, diseased, crooked or other inferior. In addition, the landowner received a small cash payment for doing the work. I recall receiving between \$200 and \$300 per year. This program served as the catalyst to introduce many private landowners to professionally-managed approaches to hardwood forests. ¶ These subsidies lasted until the mid-80's, when government priorities changed under President Ronald Reagan.

I think that our love of potato pancakes is a vestige of our ethnic past. The annual February supper at St. John's Lutheran Church features homemade sausage and potato pancakes. Annually, in December, you can place an order with Armbrust Meats of Medford for potato sausage. The annual potato pancake supper continues to flourish at the Spirit Town Hall. We sure love our kartofel (potatoes).

I can prove to you that it is a small world after all. In 2002, my mother-in-law moved to Rib Lake from Fergus Falls, Minnesota. Her best friend in Fergus Falls is Gert Obowa, daughter of Paulina Obowa, nee Gebauer.

¶ I pay particular attention to the Gebauer name, since that is my mother's maiden name. My mother, Martha Hedwig Gebauer, was born and reared in Whittlesey, and from a family distinct from that of Frank Gebauer.

President Nixon had campaigned, promising to have a "secret plan" to end the war in Vietnam. As the Nixon presidency entered its second year, it was clear to me that Nixon's plan to end the war was to try to win it militarily. At that point I wrote to then-Secretary of Defense Melvin R. Laird, urging that he resign from the cabinet, just as Williams Jennings Brian had done in 1917 to protest

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| The Taylor County Teachers College at Medford, long the primary source in producing teachers for elementary schools in Taylor County, was in its last year of operation. |

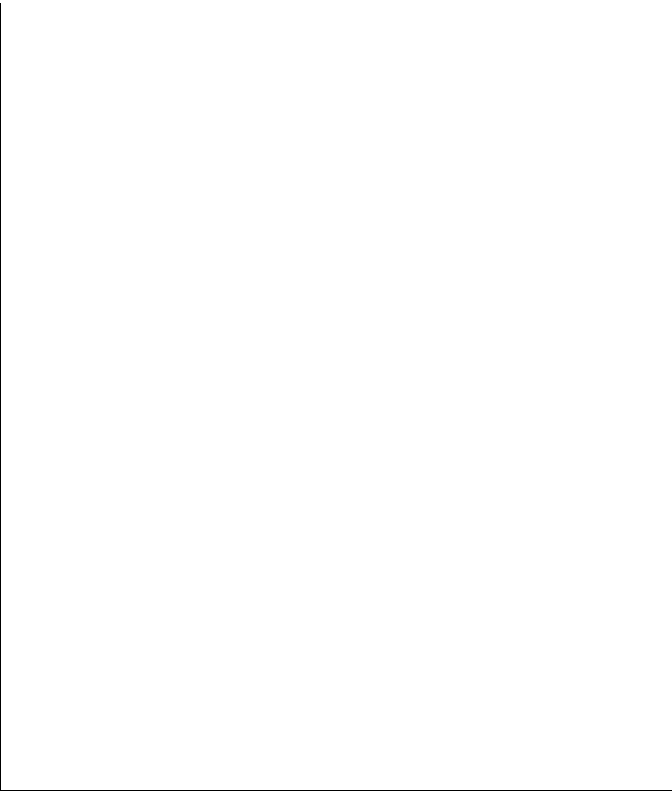
This was the decade of real explosion in the number of beaver. It seemed that beaver had invaded just about all of our creeks and streams. While an amazing animal creating ponds would, at first glance, appear to be a plus, the ponds slow water and flood forests. Eventually, beavers move on and the flowage disappears, leaving a drowned forest. I believe the existence of these temporary beaver dams played a role in the disappearance of trout in Sheep Ranch Creek and Klosterman Creek. ¶ In 1968, I owned a 40 next to that of Otto Ziemke in Section 12, Town 33 North, Range 2 East. The beavers had established a dam on Klosterman Creek on my property. Otto Ziemko would routinely open the dam. I implored him not to. He indicated that he would abide by my wishes but predicted that "you will be sorry." He proved to be right. After a couple of years, the beaver dam washed out, leaving a drowned hardwood forest along the creek. Forty years later, I still miss the nice forest that once clothed the banks of Klosterman Creek. In retrospect, I wish I had agreed with Otto Ziemke to have the beaver trapped.

Weekly the Herald published its column entitled "Possibly about you." This is typical of its fare.

Obey went on to win the election and become a member of the United States Congress. In fact, he has run successfully every two years since then to the time I dictate this comment, Dec. 28, 2008. ¶ Dave Obey is now a highly-regarded, battle-scarred veteran of the political scene; he serves as head of the Appropriations Committee for the House of Representatives. He is third longest-serving US Congressman.

¶ Obey shows no signs of giving up. He has announced frequently that he will retire when and if Congress finally creates universal health care coverage for all Americans.

The Nikkila family is one of the mainstays of the Finnish settlement, one mile northeast of Westboro. There is a nice write-up on that Finnish community in the book, "A Home in the Woods"; the book tells the story of Finnish immigration to the midwest.



This is the type of end-of-the-year Christmas advertising that filled pages in the Herald. I have compiled here the Rib Lake business people and their business names. ¶ The list of businesses referred to here were taken from paid, large or moderate-sized ads. The December 31 edition of the Herald included the following Rib Lake businesses with one-line ads. I have not duplicated ads

¶ 1. Gem Products, Inc., manufacturers of Glov-Ett comfort shoes by Dodson. ¶ 2. Bob, Vi and Margaret Schlais, d/b/a Schlais Clothing Store. ¶ 3. Butch and Bernie Ward, d/b/b Butch's Tavern. ¶ 4. Mr. & Mrs. Jerry Heindl, d/b/a Heindl's Cloverfarm Store. ¶ 5. Mr. & Mrs. George Tlusty, d/b/a Tlusty Beverage & Bottling Co. ¶ 6. Mr. & Mrs. Bernard Cihak, d/b/a Deep Rock Services. ¶ 7. Mr. & Mrs. ¶ 8. Louis and Maude Menning, d/b/a Maude's Florist and Louis' Barbershop. ¶ 9. Mr. & Mrs. Alphonse Mitchell, d/b/a National Hotel & Bar. ¶ 10. Mr. & Mrs. Joe Frombach, d/b/a Hi-Way C Grocery, Route 1, Rib Lake. ¶ 11. Mr. & Mrs. George Zondlo and Mr. & Mrs. Frank Zondlo, d/b/a Zondlo's Ballroom. ¶ 12. Al & Gladys Rabehl, d/b/a Little Spirit Lake Tavern on Hwy 102. ¶ 13. Joe Probst, saw filing, scissors sharpening. ¶ 14. Mel Budimlija, d/b/a Cattail Tap, Junction Hwy M and C.

Gene Clifford's reference to McComb Race Track is to a horse racing track that used to occupy much of the land in the very heart of the village. It lay east of McComb Ave., north of STH 102, and south of Fayette Ave. Horse racing was very popular in the late 1800's, and the level land in between Kennedy Town on the south and Shaw Town on the north, provided a perfect spot for a horse race track. In 1897, the land was subdivided by A.C. McComb. The subdivision created the blocks and lots which to this day provide for the legal description for building sites there. A.C. McComb named his subdivision "McComb's Racing Park Addition to the Village of Rib Lake."

¶ Within the annotated chronology, I have frequently referenced McComb's Racing Park Addition, usually using the abbreviation MCRPA.

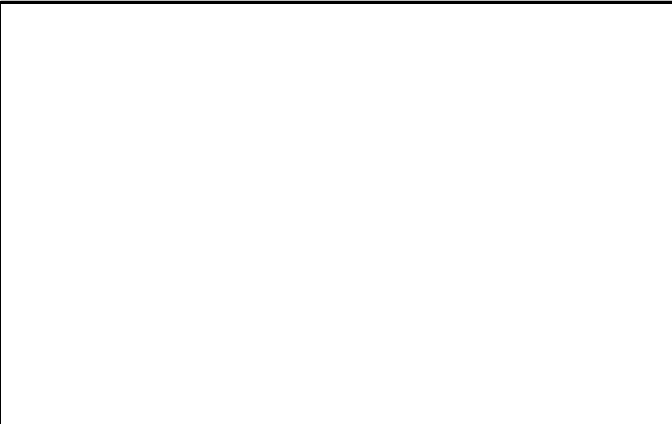
Another portion of the Herald indicated: "DERBY PRIZES \$400 IN CASH: Cash prizes totaling \$400 were awarded to ticket purchasers at the snowmobile derby over the weekend. ¶ The first prize of \$175 went to Andrew Hoffman, who neglected to include his address on his lucky ticket stub, but whose address now is known to be Medford...¶ Another cash winner was Harvey Brezinski, Rib Lake High School Senior, who received \$50 for finding the miniature snowmobile, which had been hidden as an added promotional touch for the event. ¶ Harvey discovered the snowmobile in the pump house at Lakeview Park on Friday, Dec. 20, after 3 clues had been announced."

The G.U.G. Society was a Medford-based society that usually abbreviated its German name. The German name was Germania Ueberstiftung Gesellschaft, "German Benevolent Society."

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| <p>Note that the first Taylor County white settlement dates from Dec. 1872. That is 10 years, to the month, that the first log was milled in Rib Lake.</p> |
| <p>Note the reference to the high school at Tripoli. The Tripoli School District was eventually incorporated into the Prentice District. The high school was closed in Tripoli - students thereafter attended Prentice. ¶ In 1922, my mother attended high school at Medford. She said the Medford team would take the <u>train</u> to Tripoli to play basketball. Every member of the Tripoli team was obligated to host a Medford student for the night. ¶ In 2007</p> |

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| I note that little Mike Quednow liked snowmobiling. He's still at it. In 2008, he is in charge of grooming the extensive Rib Lake Ski & Snowshoe Trail. He does an outstanding job pulling the groomer by way of a snowmobile. Keep |
| Star Powers was a dedicated and gifted person. Unfortunately, I do not think the Taylor County history that she referenced was ever completed. As of Jan. 1, 2009, I have never seen it. ¶ The reference to our Librarian was to Lillian Thums (Mrs. Edwin Thums). Lillian faithfully served as Librarian and Library Board Member for many, many years. ¶ Star Powers hit the nail on the head by noting..."the library is a vital and necessary educational force in the local community." |
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| Unfortunately, the Herald did not note the author of its weekly Spirit Round-Up - German Settlement column. |



In 2009, we call this Camp 8 flowage. Frank Filas reported to me that during the construction of the flowage, remains of RLLC Camp 8 were located. ¶ The Oct. 25, 1912, edition of the Herald made reference to Camp 8. The last reference to that camp in the Herald was on 6/19/1914. Document #12415 is an article Michael Weckwerth and I put together entitled "Rib Lake Lumber Company Numbered Logging Camps." You may access it on the CDs of Rib Lake History: Documents & Photos.

In 2009, the former Bud's IGA Store is owned and operated by Ed Zondlo as Ed's IGA, 801 McComb Ave.; the building now occupies Lots 1 and 2, Block C, McComb's Racing Park Addition; the parking lot for Ed's IGA occupies Lots 3 and 4, Block C, the site of the former Rib Lake Herald office building: "The Sunny Side of the Street." ~~This was the last location for the Herald office.~~

The headquarters for the fishing contest was the Lakeside Tavern, then owned by Mrs. Southwell Rosenfeldt. Originally built by Charles Seidel, and at one time named the Germania, the building was torn down about 1980. In 2009, the site is the residence of Lawrence Kennedy, 846 Lakeshore Dr. During the fishing contest, innumerable games of sheepshead were played at the Lakeside.

This is a paid advertisement in the Rib Lake Herald. From time to time, the West German government ran ads in the Herald, and other American papers, as part of a PR campaign. ¶ From the close of WWII in 1945 until the reunification of Germany on Oct. 3, 1990, West Berlin was an island city surrounded by Communist East Germany. Its independence during those years was dependent upon the good will and military muscle of the American government.

David Obey went on to win a seat in the US Congress, a position that he had held, and continues to hold, for 41+ years. ¶ Note that the position of assessor was elected. How is that for a way to have your tax assessment lowered?

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| Earlier editions of the Herald reported that the former Eastern Star chapter in Rib Lake had closed and most of the Rib Lake members had become members at Medford. ¶ At one time, Joan Magnuson served as the head of the Medford chapter of the Eastern Star, while her husband, Herb, headed the Medford Masons. |
| Isn't it interesting how controversial items can lose their controversy. In 2009, it goes without question that 18-year-olds should be allowed to vote, and that people driving in a car should wear a seatbelt |

The Herald then printed in excess of two separate pages of single-spaced building regulations. ¶ Among the provisions, were the plumbing code, which provided, in part: "no plumbing or drainage of any kind shall be installed or altered, except that leakage or stoppage repairs may be made, without first securing a permit therefore from the building inspector." ¶ "All plumbing work shall be done by a plumber licensed by the State Board of Health, except that a property owner may make repairs or installation in a single-family building owned and occupied by him as his home, provided that a permit is issued and the work is done in compliance with the provisions of this ordinance." ¶ Village ordinances were coming of age. The village board received invaluable assistance from the village attorney, Rib Lake-born Raymond Thums, then residing in Wausau, and later Marathon County Circuit Court Judge.

My apologies to credit union members for categorizing this article under "Banks." I created the topics 14 months ago when I began the annotated chronology project. I should have used the term "Financial Institutions" in lieu of "Banks." It didn't dawn on me at the time.

The club eventually transferred the beach property to the Town of Rib Lake. The town successfully applied for state funding to buy the old Carlson Sweet Spot property adjacent to the beach. The existing boat launch was constructed there.

The growth of interest in archery has been phenomenal. I hear from an increasing number of deer hunters that they prefer archery over the gun.

In 2009, the facility is the Rib Lake Health Care Center, 650 Pearl Street. The old nursing home building, located in the former Central Hotel, is still standing and used as an apartment building; it sits across the street in the southwest corner of Railroad and Third Streets.

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| <p>For several years now, the Herald has run this weekly column featuring a variety of recipes for wild game and fish.</p> |
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| <p>1969 would mark the beginning of the new branch campus. The Medford branch campus closed c. 1982.</p> |
| <p>On my birth in 1942, my parents insured me for \$500 with Aid Association for Lutherans (AAL); about 5 years ago it changed its name to Thrivent Financial for Lutherans. It decided the made-up name, "Thrivent," made better business sense.</p> |
| <p>The Feb. 27, 1967 edition of the Herald contained a beautiful aerial photograph of the village. It clearly shows the Stamm Mink Ranch on the old tannery site. The extensive mink farm lay just to the south of High Street.</p> |

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| Green Thumb was an organization of senior citizens involved in a variety of area projects. It was an outgrowth of President Linden B. Johnson's "Great Society" federal legislation. It paid senior citizens a minimum wage. The Green Thumb groups did a great deal of helpful work on a variety of community projects. |
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| Was the "group ditch" a wetland drainage project? |
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| Forty years later, Mike Coleman maintains his interest in biology by watching the lily pads grow outside his beautiful Long Lake home. |
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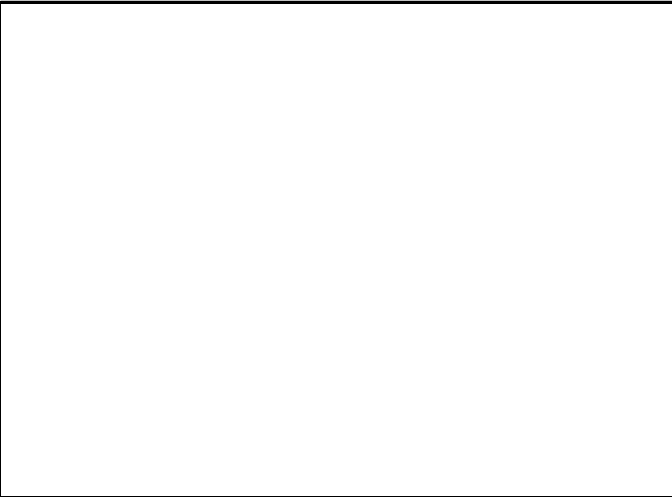
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| <p>The long-standing A&W Root Beer Stand, 1320 STH 102, later became Jim & Gloria's Drive-In. Jim & Gloria Strebis closed it in 2007; as of January 3, 2009, it stands vacant.</p> |
| <p>The Rib Lake Roller Mills survive into 2009. John's son, William J. Schreiner, owns and operates the "Rib Lake Roller Mill" at 1213 Fayette Ave. With the number of dairy farms in the Town of Rib Lake now under 12, Bill Schreiner reports that much of his volume has been made up by selling deer corn and other products for deer feeding. ¶ Bill is grooming his hard-working son, Mark, to take over the business.</p> |
| <p>I strongly suspect that his birthplace was in the state of Sachsen, Germany. Until 1918, Sachsen was a kingdom with Dresden as its capital. Saxony is the English word for Sachsen.</p> |

The article was accompanied by a picture of the beautiful, then-library in the northeast corner of Landall and Pearl Streets. After the Clearview Public School closed about 1995, the library moved into that building, 665 Pearl Street. In January, 2009, David Judell serves as librarian, and Mrs. Tamara (Tammy) Everson heads the library board.

I wonder when the term "snow-birds" originated? As for me and my house, give me Rib Lake cold and snow. Tomorrow will be the 4th annual Rib Lake Snowshoe Adventure, sponsored by the Rib Lake Ski & Snowshoe Club, with Debbie Quednow as race director. I want to see if there are any other

Let me comment on Ye Olde Sugar House. In the 1960's, Roy and Helen Meier developed a fascinating mini-museum adjacent to their farm on CTH YY, 1/2 mile east of the German Settlement Road. Roy put together a wonderful collection of old farming and logging implements and was absolutely great in giving guided tours of the

¶ Many of Roy Meier's historic objects are part of the current collection of the German Settlement Historical Society. Its museum is at the junction of CTH YY and German Settlement Road, Town of



Here is another organization that deserves recognition, namely the Lakeview Cemetery Association. I am not proud to report I do not know who presently serves as the officers in that association. But I do know that the cemetery -

The Melvin Gnotke farm, from the description provided, occupied the NE 1/4 - NE 1/4, Section 28, Town 33 North, Range 3 East. It would have been on the south side of present Wilderness Drive on land that, in 2009, is owned by Kurt & Petti Mannel. ¶ Following WWII, the slow but steady decline of dairy farms has occurred throughout the

In another portion of the Herald, Tom Carroll ran the following ad: WANTED TO RENT - Large home needed for family of 8. See Tom Carroll at Coast-to-Coast in Rib Lake." ¶ The Sabo hardware store occupied Lot 5, Block B of McComb's Racing Park Addition. ¶ The hardware store had been operated by Edward Johnson during WWI; in 1920 it was purchased by Phillip J. Arnold, who operated it until 1944; in 1944 it was purchased by Leon W. Olsen, who sold it to Rube Krings and Mel Theilig in 1956, doing business as Marshall-Wells Hardware. In 1961, Rueben Krings bought out Theilig and the Coast-to-Coast store had bought out Marshall-Wells Hardware. ¶ On Oct. 21, 1965, Rueben Krings sold the "Coast-to-Coast Hardware ¶ I remember Tom Carroll as a thin, accommodating and pleasant businessman. He frequently puffed on a cigar stub. Whenever he sold something to you, he wrote it down in a notebook in order to keep inventory. ¶ About 1990, the hardware store was razed to make room for the

This annual event is well worth going to. I love pancakes, especially potato pancakes, and I love to renew acquaintances. We are lucky that both St. John's Lutheran Church and the Spirit Legion annually have their pancake suppers.

In 2009, we have the all-volunteer Army. That was not the case in 1969.

Virginia Gehrt, along with her husband, Gordon, were the owners and operators of Gehrt's Last Chance Bar on McComb Ave. It occupies Lot 10, Block B, of McComb's Racing Park Addition, also known as 832 McComb Ave. ¶ The real estate has long been a tavern. In 1937, it was operated by Phillip A. Goelz. In 1939 Frank Tauber acquired the liquor license and moved with his family into living quarters above the tavern.

In 1944 Mathilda Tauber became the licensee. In 1952, Marvin Tauber acquired the license and did business as "Tauber's Tavern."Virginia and Gordon Gehrt purchased the property Nov. 13, 1958, from the Tauber estate. ¶ The 2009 version of the Implied Consent law requires a police officer to have "probable cause" before being able to arrest an individual for drunken driving. The law provides that once an arrest has been made, and certain required warnings given to the motorists, the motorist is deemed to have consented to take a test for intoxication; the law presumes that by applying for a driver's license, the licensee has given his or her consent to take a test under such a circumstance.

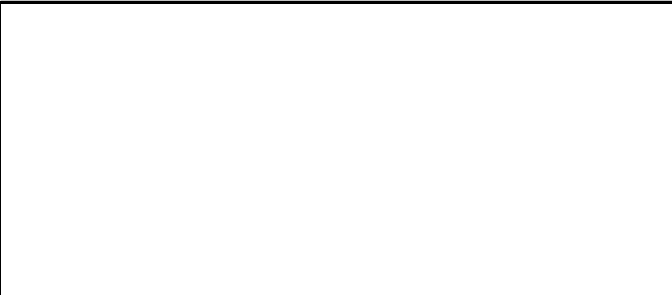
¶ Under the current version of the Implied Consent law, a driver who refused to take a test for intoxication has a right to try to save his license from suspension. Within 10 days of refusing to take the test, the driver may demand a hearing. The hearing is limited to certain issues and is conducted before a hearing examiner, not a judge. If the driver loses, his/her driver's license is suspended as a penalty for having refused to take the intoxication test.

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Ironically, four hours ago, January 3, 2009, I ran through a portion of the former Frank Filas farm, the N1/2 - SW 1/4, Section 12, Town 33 North, Range 2 East. The Rib Lake Ski & Snowshoe Club conducted their annual snowshoe run/walk today on a beautiful woodland trail that crosses the former Filas farm. The Club has erected a sign noting the former location of the Filas farm. ¶ The Filas family had cleared about 30 of the 80 acres and cultivated the fields. ¶ My brothers and I bought the land about 1970, and burned the remnants of the barn and other farm buildings. Their apple orchard still stands. About 1990, we planted the fields to red and white pine, spruce, cedar and tamarack. These were the same fields Frank Filas and family worked so hard to clear of stumps, roots and rocks. ¶ The Ski & Snowshoe Club maintains an historical marketer on the former Filas farm honoring this pioneer Rib Lake family.

The old Daus gas station stood in the NE corner of Lakeshore Drive and East Road. Until the reconstruction of STH 102 about 1950, that had been the earlier route for the state highway through the Village of Rib Lake. This gas station site is just northwest of the Rib Lake Community Park.

¶ Herb Magnuson recalls his father buying 5 gallons of gas at the Daus station for \$1.00.

The Herald also reported that "Lions clobbered Interwald 20-4." ¶ Scores of the May 25 game of the Dairyland League included Whittlesey 6, Spirit 2; Medford 12, Gad 7; Rib Lake 20, Interwald 4; Prentice 6, Westboro 2; Phillips 14, Dorchester, 4.

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| <p>The Cooper Cheese plant in Westboro ran this large ad. The plant was located just north of Silver Creek, east of the Soo Line Railroad, and south of what is in 2009, CTH D. The plant went out of business about 1985. The well built steel and brick</p> |
| <p>The northern portion of the Town of Rib Lake is served by the Price Electric Co-op. You wouldn't be reading the annotated chronology if I didn't have its electricity to power my tape recorder and turn on my lights. I salute the pioneers of the electric cooperative movement. If my math is correct, it was 1940 when electric power came to this part of the Town of Rib Lake.</p> |

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| <p>In 2009, Wayne is the village president. Several years ago, Wayne used his professional degree to put together a forest management plan to enhance county forest management along the Ice Age</p> |
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| <p>George Zondlo, Sr., along with his brother Frank, and wives, for decades operated the Zondlo's Ballroom and tavern. His son, George, Jr., in 2009, serves on the Rib Lake School Board. The Zondlos</p> |

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| <p>The two-room Rib River grade school stood on the east side of CTH C 200 feet south of the Rib River. ¶ In June, 2009, the structure is the private residence of John Eisner, N6326 CTH C.</p> |
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| <p>The Taylor County Normal School (Teachers College), the source of hundreds of elementary teachers for a variety of Taylor County and area schools, closed in 1968. ¶ Although not a "teachers college," the branch campus in many ways took the place of the Normal School.</p> |

Forty years later, Wilbert's son, Jerry, serves as the chair of the Rib Lake School Board.

The store stood on the southeast corner of Main Street (then STH 13) and CTH D. When the Radtke's closed the store about 1993, the last store in Westboro's long commercial history came to an end. The store owners were Don and Beth Radtke.

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| Until 1969, Wisconsin had no sales tax! |

The list went on to identify new school assignments, including Montana Public Schools, Stanley, Greenwood, Amherst, Holcombe, Bowler and Colby.

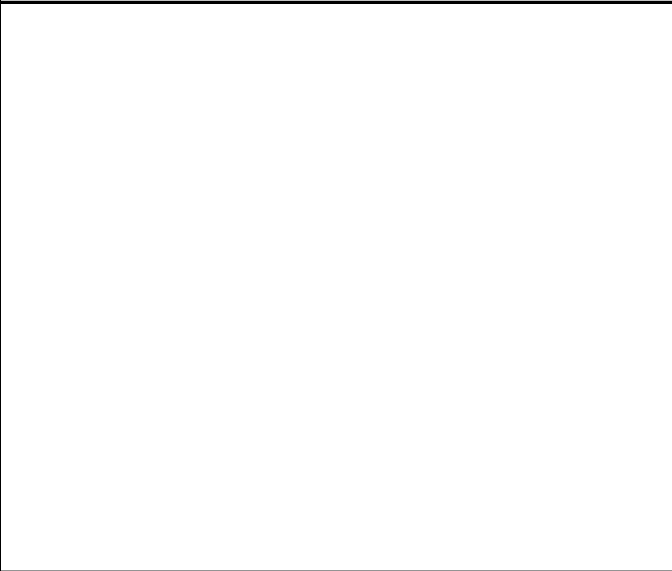
The wayside stood between STH 102 and Peche Avenue and Wilderness Ave. in Section 19, Town 33 North, Range 3 East. It proved to be a beautiful wayside. ¶ Maintenance eventually fell to the county highway department, which closed the wayside about 1990 as a cost savings feature. In 2009, the site sits abandoned but reclaimed by the

The greater Rib Lake area hosted one CCC (Civilian Conservation Corps) camp. It was Camp Mondeaux, located in the Town of Westboro.

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| The voters approved buying the Carlson property on the south side of the beach. In 2009, the public boat landing is located there. |
| The Herald ceased publication on Sept. 20, 1973. The struggling paper went through a series of owners in its final three years. ¶ For much of these three final years, Gene Clifford remained active in the Herald, even though he had "sold" it. |
| The Rib Lake community was very, very fortunate to have the caring, articulate, hard-working and effective newspaperman like Gene Clifford. |

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| <p>The report regarding Taylor County provided: "Some progress, sanitary code adopted and acceptable, some revision adopted and zoning adminstrator appointed." ¶ Wisconsin legislature had passed shore line protection zoning ordinances which required counties to adopt zoning ordinances providing at least minimal protection for lands along lakes, rivers and creeks. <u>This far-sighted legislation has done more than any other law to protect our waterways and lands around them.</u> Eventually, Taylor County passed a law meeting state standards. As of 2009, it is still in effect. The law provided, for example, for a 70-foot set-back from lakes for new homes and cottages.</p> |
| <p>About 2001, the school populations in both Prentice and Rib Lake had shrunk to a point where neither could, standing alone, produce a varsity football team. Since that time, Prentice and Rib Lake High Schools have sponsored a joint team, the Huskies.</p> |
| <p>A small coal yard existed along the railroad tracks north of STH 64 in the City of Medford, until approximately 2000. In 2009, I know of no one, in either a residential or commercial setting, using coal as fuel. ¶ In 2009, Wilbert Blomberg's son, Jerry Blomberg, is president of the Rib Lake</p> |



The same edition of the Herald reported a 2% decline in cow numbers in Wisconsin: "Wisconsin farmers had 1,847,000 milk cows at mid-year, according to the annual June livestock survey, compared to 2,302,000 head 14 years ago. The rate of decline in milk cows appears to be leveling off, with the loss of 2% both in 1968 and this year. ¶ In spite of the substantial loss in numbers, Wisconsin's milking herd remains nearly twice the



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| <p>RLLC Camp #8 was served by a logging railroad. See David Tlusty's map depicting the complex railroad network which allowed the RLLC to transport logs to its Rib Lake mill.</p> |

Despite leaving school at 7th grade, my father wrote quite a letter. He was an ardent trout fisherman. He would get so mad at the otters for eating "his" trout. ¶ Rusch's mention of "Leopold" is a reference to Aldo Leopold, the internationally-acclaimed environmentalist who taught at the University of Wisconsin. Leopold authored many

I wish I knew the identity of the correspondent of the German Settlement column. He or she faithfully put together a column in every edition of the Herald through the 1960's. By 1969, it was the only regional column regularly printed in The Rib Lake Herald.

The Tarr Task Force had been appointed by the Wisconsin governor. Its job was to recommend ways to streamline government. ¶ Mayor Henry Maier was a long-serving mayor of Milwaukee.

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| In 1969, the library building was located on the northeast corner of Landall and Pearl Street. When the Clearview Elementary School closed, the library was moved there. |

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| On 10/2/1969, the Herald announced the sale of the newspaper to Dale Tromanhauser, listing him as the publisher. |
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Senator Krueger was right. The Wisconsin non-liability law, now Wisconsin Statute 895.52, has been in operation for almost 40 years as of 2009. The Wisconsin courts have consistently interpreted the statute liberally in favor of landowners against those recreational users of land seeking to recover damages from the landowner. ¶ For the past 30 years I have authored a column on legal issues in the Wisconsin Woodland Owners magazine. The question of liability is the most frequently asked question coming from tree farmers.

The township had purchased the Alin Carlson land west of the Harper Lake beach in order to expand the beach and build a boat launch. Mike and Judy Cihasky purchased the building and moved it to the south end of South Harper Lake, where it served for many years as a lake cabin.

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| The new publisher of the Herald, Dale Tromanhauser, was implementing new practices in an effort to boost circulation. |
| The editor responded: "Dear X. Your letter is an example of why newspapers require that letters be signed. When one puts his name behind a statement, he is more careful of his accusations. ¶ We will publish any letter that you sign, but if |
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| Marie Silbernagel resided in Caramat, Ontario, Canada. |

Later research conclusively demonstrated that DDT had severely decimated the population of animals, including the brown pelican and bald eagle. Both species came very close to being extirpated within the United States because of DDT. ¶ These pesticides had been readily and uncritically received by most Americans. The products looked ¶ It took years of research to demonstrate that many pesticides had a variety of unanticipated dire effects.

The Wisconsin Valley Improvement Corporation had recently renewed its efforts to obtain permission to construct a dam on the New Wood River in Lincoln County. The dam would have created a large new flowage reaching almost into Taylor County. ¶ The same edition of the Herald contained another article entitled "NEW WOOD SOCIETY ATTEMPTS TO SAVE NEW WOOD RIVER AREA. "Together with many other conservation-oriented organizations and individuals, the New Wood Society is attempting to maintain the "accessible wilderness" aspect of the New Wood River and adjacent bottom lands. ¶ These lands, 2358 acres of varied and extremely productive wildlife habitat, are threatened with flooding by the Wisconsin Valley Improvement Company, which proposes to dam the New Wood River in western Lincoln County. The planned improvement will be fully-fluctuating, and will be drawn down annually to a 417-acre pool, with an 8-foot "head" at the dam. Water level will fluctuate about 16 feet.

Siltration and settling will further reduce draw down depth in the water pool. Very minimal clearing of the flowage basin is planned. ¶ Using information obtained from various sources, the New Wood Society poses several serious questions, which it feels must be answered before any conscientious sportsman could endorse this alteration of the New Wood. ¶ First of all, why is the dam being built? The power production value is zero when measured against today's increasing demand. Additional flood control is a nebulous reason, as New Wood flows affect the Wisconsin River only slightly. In fact, the most serious flood threat to the Merrill area within the past 50 years occurred in late summer. At this time of year, the proposed flowage would be substantially full. A full reservoir cannot contain flood waters, and could considerably pose a more serious threat, with earth dike construction..."

In 2009, Larsen Pallets is still going strong.

The New Wood River begins in the Taylor County Forest, and flows eastward through Lincoln County, and ends at the Wisconsin River. ¶ The plans to dam the New Wood failed.

Attorney Frank Nikolay practiced law in Colby. For many years he was the articulate and thoughtful head of the Democratic members of the Wisconsin State Legislature.

This announcement comes out of the blue. There are no further details in this edition of the Rib Lake Herald, except that the March 5 edition provides: "Published by Alpine Advertising, Inc., telephone 427-3285." ¶ The March 19, 1970, edition of the Herald demonstrated dramatic changes to the newspaper: First, the size of a page in the Herald was reduced from 23-1/2" high and 18" wide, to 17" high and 11-3/8" wide. ¶ The second change to the Herald is more difficult to describe. It involves the print and the size of the print. In the old Herald, there would be 8 lines of print per inch in standard news articles. Beginning Mar. 19, 1970, the size of the standard print was increased to take up 6 lines per inch. ¶ The font of the print became much more like that of a typewriter.

Question: is it New Wood or Newwood? The editor of the Herald appears to refer to the river as the New Wood, with a space. The society in question is Newwood, without a space. I consulted the Lincoln County trail map, published in 2004 for comparison. Both the river and the creek flowing into the river are spelled New Wood, with a space. ¶ On the other hand, the 1972 Taylor County plat book, published by Rockford Map Publishers, shows the flowing stream just one mile north of Rib Lake in Taylor, and is identified Newwood Creek. The same information is reproduced in 1984 Taylor County plat book, published by Maps Midwest, Oelwein, Iowa. ¶ How did the creek and river get its name? I don't know. Was Wood Lake

I would think that the river flowing into the Wisconsin River caught the attention of explorers and map makers many years before the small Wood Lake and its running waterway came to any white person's attention. It may be arbitrary on my part, but from here on out, I will refer to the waterway in question in Lincoln County as the Newwood Society, without a space. ¶ The Rib Lake Herald identified the society in the very next article as "The Newwood Society."

The county finance committee is considered the most influential committee of the county board.

The underlining is in the original. I believe this is the first time the Herald has printed underlining in a standard news article. ¶ This marked the end of the effort by the Wisconsin Valley Improvement Company to dam the New Wood River. It could see that it faced fierce opposition.

¶ In a much broader sense, the era of dam building in Wisconsin had come to an end. Though there were some small dams and flowages constructed after 1970, for example, Lake Redstone in Baraboo County, and Legend Lake in Menomonie County, the era of the large flowage construction was over. Better roads had made the northwoods accessible. Nature had begun to restore the beautiful forests of the north; city residents had the money and transportation and interest in northwood properties. Much of the public was no longer willing to buy into the argument that dams and flowages meant progress and a better way of life; a more balanced view had come to the forefront, which recognized deleterious effects of damming otherwise free-flowing rivers. ¶ In 2009, the Wisconsin Valley Improvement Company continues to operate its system of dams in the Wisconsin River watershed. But not a single new dam has been added to its system since c. 1960.

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| What the 1950 article failed to say is that sewage entering the municipal system would be dumped, untreated, directly into Sheep Ranch Creek. |
| The Herald has still provided no details regarding the new owners/publishers of the paper. The Herald's official identification lists Alpine Advertising, Inc., as the publisher. |
| The cement foundation of the Rib Lake Roller Mills has this inscription: "Otto Brehm & William Wagner, July 14, 1919." The Roller Mills in Rib Lake were founded by the Brehm family. |

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| <p>Heindl's grocery store stood in the southeast intersection of State Road and Church Street. When operated by Jerry Heindl, it had been affiliated with the chain of "Clover Farm" stores. ¶ The building had originally housed the municipal electric power plant. A generator inside the building produced all of the electricity originally used in the village. ¶ You can see a nice photograph of this store on page 54 of "<u>A Pictorial History of the Rib Lake Area.</u>" ¶ With the closure of Heindl's Store, the Village of Rib Lake still had two grocery stores -both on McComb Avenue: Dale's Market, operated by Nancy and Dale Strobach, and Bud's IGA, operated by Bud & Opie Freeck.</p> |
| <p>Ernest Sunderlin, d/b/a Sunderlin Plumbing & Heating, sold Speed Queen appliances at an office and residence located in the southwest corner of McComb and STH 102. ¶ The building, in 2009, is now owned and occupied as the home for Hal & Doreen Sunderlin.</p> |
| <p>My three-day session at Trees for Tomorrow Camp in 1958 left a profound, positive impression on me. The camp is still going strong.</p> |
| <p>The history was written by Eugene Clifford. Several months earlier, he had transferred ownership and the apparent control of the Rib Lake Herald, originally to Dale Tromanhauser, and later to Alpine Advertising, Inc. ¶ Gene Clifford's description of the businesses is helpful, but somewhat confusing regarding location. ¶ The National Hotel stood in the southwest of Second and Railroad Street. Just to its west was Barnev</p> |

¶ Stewart's Lumber building stood in the southeast corner of McComb and STH 102; in 2009 it is Fisher Creek Pet Foods. Roger's Service Center is now the Hanke gas station. ¶ Cliff's Service Station is now vacant but still stands at 720 McComb Ave.¶ The Bogumill building is, in 2009, standing empty at 740 McComb Ave.

¶ The Gamble Store building still stands at 940 McComb, and in 2009 houses the Rib Lake Music Center. ¶ The old McRae Bakery and Restaurant building still stands at 744 McComb. ¶ The New Lake Theatre building stood in the southeast corner of Landall and McComb. ¶ When Clifford's article was written in 1971, the only bank in the village stood in the northeast corner of Landall and McComb Ave. Just to its north, the Little Bohemia still operates at 806 McComb. Just north of there was the small building which had an extensive history.

It was once owned by Bill Gessert as a meat market. The 6/30/1944 edition of the Herald reported that Art Schultz had bought the former Gessert Meat Market and completely remodeled the building into an ice cream shop and lunch business; about Mar. 1948, Joe A. Daniels renamed it the Coffee Cup. The Mar. 31, 1960, edition of the Herald indicated that Mrs. Ruth Stelling, d/b/a The Coral Cafe, would add potato pancakes to her Friday night menu. ¶ The Feb. 2, 1964, edition of the Herald indicated that Harold Gumm applied to the village board for a building permit to renovate the former Coral Cafe building. At 810 McComb Ave. Steve Minarciny "will use it as a residence with his daughter Arlene, and his sister, Mrs. Ann Remias," according to the Feb. 16, 1967, Herald. The "Eggert Tavern" stands, in 2009, as the "Olde Towne Liquor" building. Between 1921 and 1945, it had been operated by Louis J. Scharer as Scharer's Tavern. The street address is 814 McComb Ave. The Olsen Hardware Store has since been torn down, and is now part of the Genesis Youth Center complex.

¶ At this point in the history, Gene Clifford stopped describing buildings on the east side of McComb Ave. and begins on the west side of McComb Ave. ¶ He first mentioned Jerry Dewz' shoe repair shop. The Jerry Dewz building occupied Lot 11, Block D of McComb's Racing Park Addition. It occupied the lot that, in 2009, stands just to the south of the old village garage, and north of the Bird's Nest Tavern. The building was razed in 1962.¶ Then Clifford makes reference to the sale of the Dewz's shoe store stock to Seldon Patrick, d/b/a Patrick's Shoe Store. This building still stands on Lot 13, Block D, 743 McComb Ave. ¶ Frank and Celia Becker were, in 1970, the owners of what, in 2009, is the Bird's Nest Tavern. South of the Bird's Nest, in 2009, you come to the American Legion building, 727 McComb Ave.

¶ Freeck's Tavern, in 2009, is the "Frosted Mug" at 723 McComb. ¶ The 2009 Mid-Wisconsin bank building occupies what was, in 1949, the Alphonse Kollman building. Today, the Ultimate Illusion occupies the old Upjohn/Kennedy Drug Store at 713 McComb. ¶ Finally, Sunderlin's Appliance Store, the then-Rib Lake Clinic, the Golden Age Nursing Home, Clearview School [now the public library and village hall], the Chalet Motel, the A&W Root Beer Stand, now Jim & Gloria's Restaurant, and the Eckhoff and Hanifen homes

The building immediately south of the old village hall was the George Daus building. It is discussed in the article and commentary published in the prior week's edition of the Rib Lake Herald.

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| Actually, there was an official "Main Street" once in Rib Lake. In 1895, J.J. Kennedy recorded the "original plat of the Village of Rib Lake." The street running along the west shore of Rib Lake, south from Railroad Street to Second Avenue was labeled on the plat "Main Street." ¶ As of January 12, 2009, there is no "Main Street" in the village. ¶ I have unsuccessfully tried to learn how the village came to rename Main Street as Lake Street. ¶ The following is my 2/24/2009 letter to the Rib Lake Village Board: <i>"Since you have been working hard and successfully on solving so many pressing issues, I thought you might enjoy addressing a lighter one. I am attempting to authoritively answer where the official “Main Street” of the Village is. ¶ In May, 1895, Mr. and Mrs. J.J. and</i> |

¶ On September 7, 1949, Mr. and Mrs. Rudy J. and Esther V. Mueller had prepared “The Plat of Subdivision of Unplatted Lands of Block A, Original Plat of Rib Lake.” Village Clerk Frank Becker, on February 1, 1953, signed the plat providing: “I, Frank Becker, being first duly sworn, on oath, deposes and says that the above and foregoing resolution accepting this plat was adopted by the Village Board of the Village of Rib Lake at a meeting on the 9th day of August, 1949.” ¶ The same document showed the following under the signature of Village President Leon W. Olsen and Village Clerk F.L. Becker: “Resolution 1 – Be it resolved by the Village Board of Rib Lake, that the subdivision of mill lots 1, 2 and 3, as shown in this plat, and the same is hereby approved.” ¶ The 1949 survey showed “Main Street” running on the same route as the 1895 survey, except that it ended at Railroad Street.

¶ Are you aware of any resolution or other authority that may have “officially” changed the name and location of Main Street from these recorded documents? ¶ I note, for example, that the “Official Building Number Map of the Village of Rib Lake” dated January, 2005, shows absolutely no Main Street within the Village limits, and shows the thoroughfare in the J.J. Kennedy and Rudy Mueller survey as “Lake Street.” ¶ Thank you for your cooperation and help.” /s/ Robert P. Rusch

The Herald was filled with thank you ads by successful candidates, and to a lesser extent, by unsuccessful candidates. ¶ Wayne Bullis ran the following paid ad: "THANK YOU. I'm happy over the fine vote which elected me again as village trustee. Thanks to every one of you - I'll do my best to serve you to the best of my ability." ¶ Adolph Vlach ran the following paid ad: "THANK YOU! I cannot over-express my gratitude, for the support and confidence placed in me. To those of you that made my campaign so successful for your county supervisor, THANK YOU VERY MUCH." ¶ Other thank you ads were run by Barney Cihasky and Henry Gebauer, and by Eugene R. Clifford; Clifford, the editor of the Herald, was elected to the Rib Lake Village Board.

The late 1960's and 1970's witnessed a spectacular awakening of environmental consciousness on the part of the American people. The phenomenon was dubbed the "environmental decade." ¶ Then Wisconsin Senator Gaylord Nelson founded Earth Day in 1970.

The same edition of the Herald reported that the Little Bohemia Ladies League Championships roll-off was won by the Glov-Ettes team, who rolled a total of 122 more pins than the losing Ken's Hens. The winners are Mary Mujwid, Theo Zielke, Marion Johnson, Darlene McQuire, and Kay Becker. The Ken's Hens team consisted of Dorothy Schreiner, Shirley Olson, Diane Hilbert, Betty Quednow, and Shirley Andreae.

The town had successfully applied to the state for cost share. The money was used to purchase the former Carlson Sweet Spot building and property. The building was removed and the Harper Lake

Under the old law, school board members were elected at the annual meeting of the electorate in August

What interesting demographics: no men involved.

This is typical fare for this weekly, newsy column.

Bradley's personally-owned railroad, the Tomahawk, Marinette and Western, was constructed from the City of Tomahawk to Spirit Falls. William Bradley, the founder of the City of Tomahawk, aggressively promoted economic development. One of his programs was to import well-bred Jersey dairy cattle.

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The same edition of the Herald provided information under the headline "Price County 4-H News." "On Sat., May 23, Price County junior leaders and older members held a hay ride and polka party at the Spirit Town Hall. Sponsoring the event were the Hill Billys, Busy Beavers, and Wilson Workers 4-H clubs. Music for the polka dance was provided by Ruby Birkholz, Route 2,

The Westboro depot was a single-story, wood frame building, approximately 25 x 60 feet, located 300 feet south of CTH D on the west side of the mainline railroad track. ¶ According to Joan Tlusty, the Ogema depot was successfully moved to the Tlusty sheep ranch, west of Westboro. It served as a storage barn before a fire destroyed it.

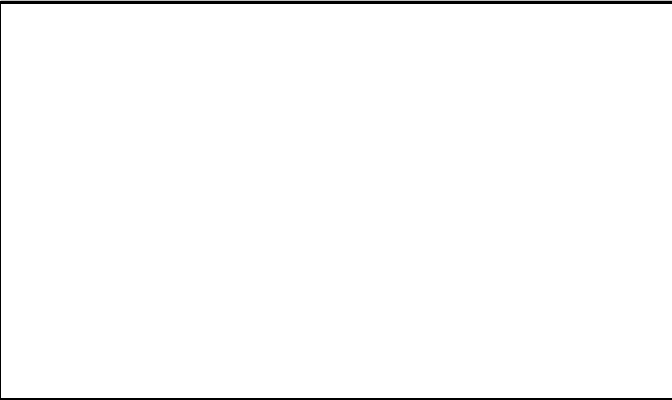
On 3/5/1970, Eugene Clifford announced the sale of his newspaper to Alpine Advertising, Inc., of Medford. The new editor would be Laurie T. Carlson

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| Dan Dillon had recently moved to the Town of Hill with his wife Ann, from Fargo, North Dakota. Dan had a long fascination with reptiles. He taught at the Prentice High School from 1966 to 1994. |
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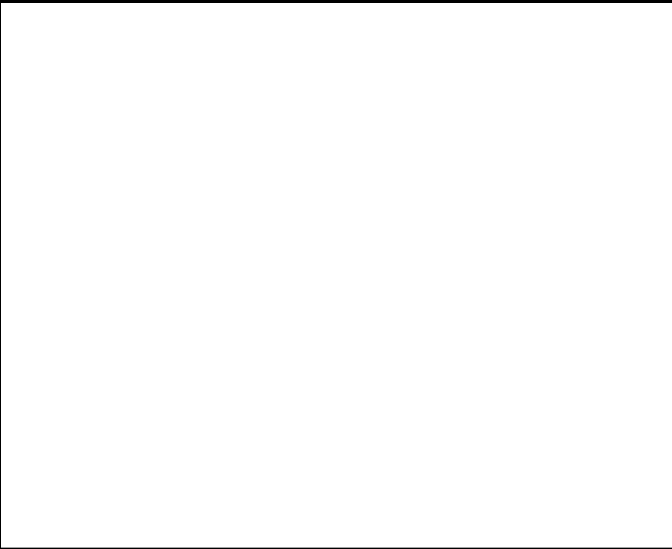
In 2009, this happy couple lives on the eastern shores of Rib Lake, 375 Lakeshore Drive.

The new owner of the Herald, Laurie Carlson, wrote this editorial. ¶ In order to save money, the Rib Lake School Board, in 2007, hired its new administrator as a part-time position.

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| <p><u>With this volume, the Rib Lake Herald was renamed by Laurie Carlson as simply The Herald.</u></p> <p>It was part of his effort to expand the coverage and readership into the Ogema, Prentice, Brantwood and other southern Price County areas. ¶ Editor Carlson made the following editorial comment:</p> <p>"We hope you recognize The Herald, and of course, we hope you like it. It's part of the modernization we're attempting, along with the expanded coverage and circulation."</p> |
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Fr. Girt was a popular and long-serving priest at Rib Lake.



The cooperatives referred to are a form of business in which the buyers are owners of the company. The cooperative movement was especially popular among the Finnish-American settlers in the Brantwood-Clifford area. ¶ The Medford Cooperative, as of 2009, is still a major retailer in

As of 2008, Mrs. Pat Gilge teaches 4th grade in the Rib Lake School District, a position she has done well at for many, many years.

Star Powers was the spouse of Dentist Duane Powers. She was an accomplished poet. ¶ She took poetic license in describing the height of the now-raized chimney at the RLLC at 200 feet; it was, actually, 165 feet; see Rib Lake Herald 9/22/1916.

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| <p>The declared paid subscriptions of the Herald by mail were 1,016. Laurie Carlson claimed an additional 25 were routinely sold over the counter.</p> <p>¶ Under Carlson's leadership, the size of "The Herald" had increased substantially. He was winning back paid advertisers.</p> |
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| <p>The building referred to was the tannery boiler room-power house. In 2009, it still stands at 882 Tannery Lane.</p> |

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| <p>The underlining was in the original. This marks a rare time the Rib Lake Herald has used underlining in a news article. ¶ The Rib Lake Twentieth Century Club continued for 30 more years before disbanding in 2001. During its 102 years, it had a long list of impressive accomplishments. Its minutes, books and records are preserved at the Rib Lake Public Library.</p> |

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| The new owner of "The Herald," Laurie T. Carlson, expanded the scope of news coverage to include Brantwood and Prentice and Ogema. ¶ Brantwood had been settled by hardy immigrants from Finland. Note those beautiful Finnish names. Some more in the article were Nuetinen, Lyytinen, Hautala, Maki, Luoma, and Wertanen. |
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| <p>An accompanying photograph shows Clarence Tippelt, manager, Lake Superior District Power Company; John Schreiner, trustee of the Village; and Vince Beacom, vice president, Lake Superior District Power Company, ceremoniously turning the valve at the gas substation in the village. The substation was, and is, located just north of Little Rib Road and west of Kennedy Street. ¶ Articles in The Herald demonstrated the northern natural gas company pipeline stretches from the supply areas in New Mexico, Texas, Oklahoma, and Kansas, to a variety of market areas in the Midwest, including Rib Lake.</p> <p>¶ Natural gas delivered by pipeline had now come to the Village of Rib Lake. Ernest Sunderlin continued to own and operate his local Thermogas bottle gas business.</p> |

This advertisement announced new owners at the Harper Lake Resort on North Harper Lake. ¶ The Dec. 17 edition of the Herald featured a photograph of the Dixons with the following story: "If you've taken a drive lately on the Harper Lake Road, you can't help notice the changes that have taken place. Harper Lake Resort has taken on a completely new face and name. It is now known as Dix-Inn, owned and operated by Dorothy and Ed Dixon. ¶ Ed was born and raised in Baton Rouge, Louisiana; he served 7 years in the Navy during WWII. After his stint in the service, he worked as a carpenter and in construction. At this time, he opened a building business in Melrose Park, Illinois, where he did general building and remodeling for six years prior to buying this resort. ¶ Dorothy was born in Stevens Point, Wis., and then moved to Stanley, Wisconsin. When one goes to a dance at Dix-Inn, one is pleasantly greeted by Dorothy with a friendly smile. Not only is she a good hostess, but talented as well. She plays the guitar for you to dance to.

¶ Dorothy and Ed have three daughters, Terry and Marie, who live in Melrose Park, Illinois; Lisa, 8 years old, lives with her parents and goes to school at Clearview School in Rib Lake. ¶ Since they both enjoy fishing and the out-of-doors, outdoor sports was the basic reason for buying in Rib Lake. ¶ After the approval of the sewage system, they are planning to put up a campsite for about 30 campers and trailers. These will be complete with showers, toilets, electricity and water, to accommodate the campers. ¶ We sincerely welcome Dorothy and Ed to this area and wish them great success in their new venture."

Coincidentally, yesterday, Feb. 1, 2009, I had a delightful talk and tour of rural Interwald with Daniel McCluskey. Dan pointed out the location of the former Jarchow tavern on the north side of CTH M. The site is just 1/4 mile west of the Rib River. Dan explained that the tavern operated into the 1930's and was the local hot spot. Dan's father would assign young Dan the job of going to the tavern to get beer for members of the threshing crew. Bill Jarchow would reward Dan with a piece

The Rhody family was among the original Prussian-German settlers of Spirit.

Through the hard work of Dr. Walter Hicky of the University of Wisconsin, it was eventually proven that DDT caused the thinning of bird eggs, such as those in the bald eagle population. The eggs became so thin that they broke when the eagle tried

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| In 2009, Jerry Blomberg continues - sort of - to reign as king. Actually, he is the hard-working president of the Rib Lake School Board |
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| Henry J. Gebauer, a life-long resident of the Town of Greenwood, for many years served simultaneously as Greenwood town chairman and a supervisor on the Taylor County Board. He eventually was county board chairman. He was a mild-mannered, polite and caring individual, well |

No author was given for this article. I surmise it was a news release by the Soo Line Railroad Company, printed verbatim by The Herald. ¶ At this time, and until 1989, the Soo Line regularly operated between Prentice and Medford, and points both north and south.

The statute is still on the books. For \$5 you can record exclusive rights to a name for a "farm" with the Register of Deeds office. ¶ I recently named my tree farm on Highway C "Schoenwalde," German for beautiful forest. It was the name of the village

The Pullman Standard Company in Chicago was the long-time manufacturer of the Pullman dining cars, which were widely used by most American railroads. ¶ The Sunny Hill Resort was on the northeastern tip of Little Spirit Lake. ¶ I clearly remember my trip, in 1957, from my parents' cottage on Big Spirit Lake - by boat; I used my dad's 7 hp Evinrude motor to go to Sunny Hill

The photograph shows "Franny" at one of the teller stations that still serves the bank in 2009. The bank building, at 717 McComb Ave., was constructed in 1970. It took the place of the 2-story brick building still standing on the northeast corner of McComb and Landall. ¶ The Rib Lake station of the Medford State Bank changed its name to Mid-Wisconsin Bank - Rib Lake Branch, about 1990.

Neil Armstrong's landing on the moon was the talk of the day.

The new bank building of the State Bank of Medford - Rib Lake station, had just been built just north of the drug store, on the west side of McComb Ave.; it occupies the same location in 2009. The correct address is 717 McComb Ave. It is now part of a chain of banks-headquartered in Medford-and known as Mid-Wisconsin Bank. Its previous Rib Lake location was on the northeast corner of McComb and Landall.

This well-written editorial was by Laurie Carlson, recent purchaser of "The Herald." ¶ A recent survey had just shown that Tim's Hill (later spelled Timm's), elevation 1951.5, was the high point of the State of Wisconsin. It dethroned Rib Carlson's comment regarding eyeing strangers with suspicion reminds me of an incident that happened to me in 1973. I got into a rather heated discussion with a local politician, who was of Polish ancestry. He was unaware that my grandparents and parents were from Rib Lake and tried to put me in my place by remarking: "Rusch, what the hell do you know, you just moved here." I responded, "Joe, my grandparents were in Rib Lake before yours left Poland. Let's get back to the point."

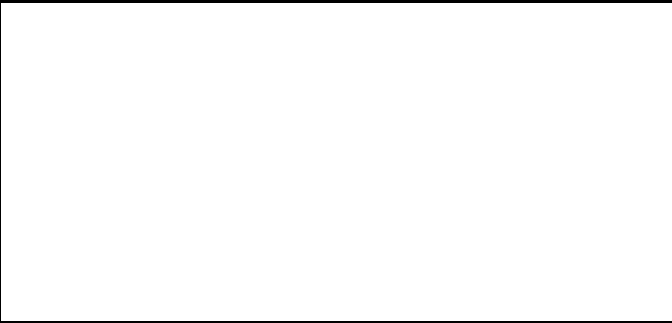
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| Prentice Hydraulics' success allowed many from Rib Lake to find work in Prentice. |
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| The area has made dramatic development on many points raised by the Sturms. In the 1970's, Price County established Timm's Hill County Park. It has evolved into a spectacular spot. ¶ In the 1980's, winter sports really took off. The Rib Lake Ski Club was founded in 1985, and worked tirelessly to develop a spectacular ski trail system. The Club has conducted the popular Hinder-Binder ski race held every February for the last 29 years. In 2007. |

¶ The High Point Ski Club, centered at Timm's Hill, was founded in 1984. Its charter members included Lyle & Kathy Blomberg, Dan and Ann Dillon, Ken Spellman, and others. They developed a spectacular ski trail system in and about Wisconsin's Highest Peak. ¶ In 1988, an idea first put forth by Wilbert Blomberg materialized: a trail connecting Rib Lake and Timm's Hill, utilizing parts of the old steam hauler line, was constructed. The trail has evolved into the Timm's Hill National Trail. ¶ In 1983, a chapter of the Ice Age Park & Trail Foundation was established. The chapter, the High Point, took the lead in establishing over 90 miles of the Ice Age Scenic Trail in Taylor County, including the stretch between STH 13 and the Lincoln County line.

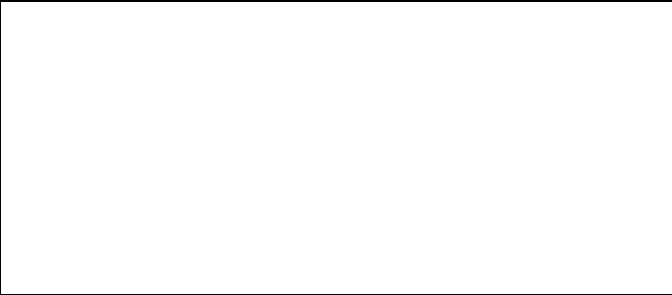
¶ Several snowmobile clubs invested untold hours in establishing a beautiful network of snowmobile trails. This trail system included the Pine Line Trail, built on the former Soo Line right-of-way. A joint project of Price and Taylor County boards and people, the Pine Line Recreational Trail was established in 1989 between Prentice and Medford. ¶ All-in-all, the suggestion of the Sturms for increased winter sports has met with an enthusiastic success.



The same edition of The Herald reported that the Dept. of Natural Resources had engaged in a deer feeding program. "During this winter, 26,000 acres are being managed for browse production at an estimated cost of \$500,000. Many of these forest jobs are continuing in spite of deer snow." In other words, DNR personnel were cutting trees in 28



For the first time, a map showing the area between Prentice and Rib Lake is printed next to The Herald masthead. It shows STH 13, 102, and 86, and the villages of Prentice, Ogema, Westboro and Rib Lake. A five-pointed star is printed next to Prentice and Rib Lake. The newly-coined motto "The "Great Spirit" Country" is printed above the illustration. ¶ The March 25 edition of "The Herald" shows a modified logo. The artwork is more sophisticated and the face of a Native American has been added.

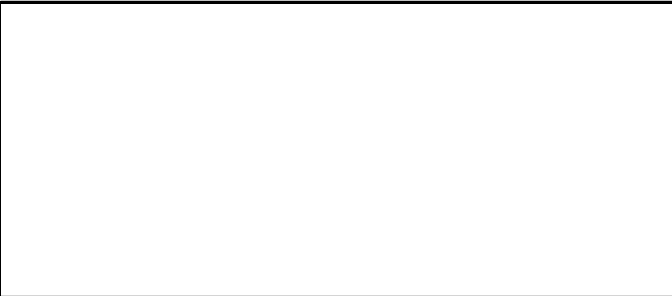


The writer is making reference to the environmental awareness that was then sweeping the country. The 1970's were aptly dubbed the "environmental decade."

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| <p>The map logo on the first page of The Herald keeps evolving. This edition of The Herald adds "Tim's (sic) Hill, elevation 1952 feet. Highest point in Wisconsin" to the map. See Doc. #12704 and 12705.</p> |
| <p>After absorbing many of the parishioners from the recently-closed Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Chelsea) and St. Theresa's (Westboro) churches, the Rib Lake parish was renamed Good Shepherd.</p> |
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| <p>The Herald featured a photograph showing the footings for the new building. The new building quickly grew into Pete's Service gas station, 1230 STH 102, Rib Lake; in 2008, Pete turned the business over to his daughter, Robin.</p> |

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| <p>This ramp, from Rustic Road 1, continues to have heavy summer use to this day.</p> |
| <p>The accompanying photograph showed Mr. Cook holding a shadowbox. ¶ For over 20 years, Brothers Two had a major impact on the Rib Lake business scene. The company manufactured a variety of quality wood products, including shadowboxes and shelves. At first the company was located in the old tannery power house, later in the former RLLC machine shop on McComb Ave.</p> |

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| In 2008, Dick Angelo and his wife, Vivian, reside just north of Hwy D in Westboro. With his calm and insightful managerial style, he has played a crucial role in the development of Camp Forest Springs. |
| His brother, Walter, long served as Wisconsin's state chief entomologist. In 2008, he was chosen as one of the first inductees into the Rib Lake Education Hall of Fame. |
| Bernard was the long-time operator of the South Side Garage, which stood on the north side of Railroad Street between Second Street and Maple. |
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In 1932, the RLLC sawmill closed from the effects of the Great Depression. It stayed shut down for 18 months in the midst of the Great Depression. It reopened in May, 1934. ¶ Albert F. Prah had a distinguished career as one of the head sawyers for the RLLC. The performance of the head sawyer was crucial to the success of the mill. It was the sawyer's job to quickly size up the log as it entered the mill and then to decide what were the best cuts to make. ¶ There is some spectacular movie footage of the head sawyer operating in the 1940's; consult the video entitled "The Lumbering

An accompanying photograph shows Martin Dvorak standing next to a car bearing the Soo Line logo. Soo Line stood for the Minneapolis, St. Paul and Sault Ste. Marie Railroad. In 1902, it bought the Wis. Central line, which ran through Medford, Chelsea and Rib Lake. In 1962, the Soo Line fully absorbed the Wis. Central, which then went out of corporate existence.

¶ Originally, all the small depots had their own agents. Over the years, Ogema, Westboro, Chelsea, Whittlesey, etc., had their depots closed. Each village was then served by a traveling agent, who serviced more than one municipality. This is the Finnish that Martin Dvorak fulfilled

This cigar box came from Phillip A. Goelz. Goelz was a turn-of-the-century cigar maker who operated out of several locations on McComb Ave. in the Village of Rib Lake. In the early 1900's it was not unusual for small towns to have a local cigar-maker. Phillip A. Goelz manufactured cigars in the village for perhaps a decade. ¶ At the same time that Phillip A. Goelz was manufacturing cigars in Rib Lake, the Ruesch brothers were manufacturing them in the City of Medford. They were succeeded by Earl & David Ruesch, who ran the Medford Funeral Home. Yours truly, Robert P. Rusch, and Thomas M. Rusch, in 1981, formed the third Rusch & Rusch partnership in Medford. We will close the Rusch & Rusch Law Office, S.C., on July 1, 2009.

The Swan tree farm has always been an amazement to me. I still do not understand how they were able to achieve the appearance of straight rows when thousands of trees are planted on very hilly real estate.

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| Days ago I spoke to Robert Marschke, son of Albert (Happy) Marschke of Spirit. Bob recently spent several weeks in Germany with Marschke relatives. |
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| The widow, Barbara Radtke, nee Beck, had previously been married to Gustav Rusch; he died in 1943. |

¶ Accompanying the obituary was the following "card of thanks." "With deep appreciation we thank all our relatives and kind friends for the sympathy expressed at the time of our sorry. A special thank you to Pastor Meyer for his comforting words, those who provided the beautiful music for the service, the pallbearers, those who sent flowers, gave memorials, sent cards, and brought food, the Lutheran Ladies Society for the lunch, the Mannel Funeral Home for their assistance and all who

Alphonse Mitchell was a staunch Democrat.

Pete and Chester Brietzke were 2 of the 13 children of Gus & Anna Brietzke. Coincidentally, today, Feb. 5, 2009, I scanned in a variety of Brietzke family documents. The material was loaned to me by Cheryl Brietzke, local historian and a board member of the German Settlement Historical

The US Supreme Court has recently issued its landmark decision decreeing the principle of "One man-one vote." This doctrine required electoral districts for each unit of government to have the same population.

This article was printed on page 7 of The Herald. The author of the article was not indicated.

The skiing referred to is downhill skiing. A few years after this article, Camp Forest Springs also introduced cross country skiing. In 2008, the Camp's cross country ski trail system is extensive and meticulously groomed.

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| Using a variety of state and federal grants to augment local funding, the Town did successfully complete a treatment facility within the next two years. Actually, a separate unit of government, the sanitary district, was organized, and the sanitary |
| Barely 5 feet tall, Uncle Julius was a favorite of mine. In the early 1950's, my parents, then living in Milwaukee, would come up for a week's vacation at the Gilge family farm on CTH C. ¶ To me as a 10-year-old, farm life seemed idyllic. There was ¶ Every morning, I would watch in amazement as Uncle Julius would shave. He would stand at a small wash-stand in a corner of the wood-heated kitchen. He would sharpen his straight-edge razor by smoothly stroking it on a huge leather strap. I stood in amazement as he quickly shaved himself with that 4-inch blade. ¶ This small man had a big heart. He always had a twinkle in his eye. |
| This organization deserves our thanks for its tireless and successful efforts. Its winter aeration program has eliminated winter fish kill in Rib Lake. |
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| <p>A photograph shows the ambulance parked on McComb Ave. with Harold Zielke, county board supervisor, Village President Wayne Bullis, Fire Chief Wayne Yanko, and Legion Commander Allen Gnotke.</p> |
| <p>The depot was a one-story wooden structure on the west side of the tracks just north of STH 86. It was approximately 20 feet wide and 60 feet long. ¶ All passenger service had ended on this line a decade earlier. Freight traffic would pass through until 1989, when the tracks were torn out. The real estate was acquired by the joint Taylor County/Price County recreational district, which then constructed the Pine Line Recreational Trail where the tracks had been since construction in 1873. ¶ In 2005, the Ogema Lions Club reconstructed a neat, but smaller, replica of the depot.</p> |
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| <p>The succeeding village clerk-treasurer was Carl Holzwarth. In a later portion of The Herald a full obituary was reported, including: "Born Dec. 22, 1901, Elsa Mildred Juse was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Wagner, Sr., pioneers of the Spirit Lake area. She received her primary education in Rib Lake, and attended Taylor County Normal School in 1916-17. She then taught west of Westboro at the former Cummings School for several years, and then completed her education at the Business College at Fargo, North Dakota, in 1922. ¶ After this she returned to Rib Lake to work for the RLLC. On Oct. 14, 1926, she married Ernest C. Juse at Medford, and transferred to Sherfield, Pennsylvania. Mr. Juse preceded her in death on July 19, 1965. Mrs. Juse returned to the Westboro area in 1944, and from there to Rib Lake. In 1954, she was elected the position of clerk-treasurer. Mrs. Juse held this position until illness forced her retirement in Dec. 1970..."</p> |
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| <p>Prior editions of the Herald had named Mr. Nehls as <u>owner</u> of the Rib Lake Herald. He bought the paper on 4/6/1949 and sold the paper to the Cliffords on 10/16/1949.</p> |
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| <p>It was getting to be some of the final years for the old tavern on Lakeshore Drive, the Lakeside. It was a huge, rambling wooden structure. Prior to WWI, it had been called Germania Hall.</p> |

In summary, Judge Charles determined the ordinance of reapportionment enacted by the Taylor County Board of Supervisors was unlawful; it violated the principle of one man-one vote. In other words, the population within the districts from which county board members were elected was too unequal. This successful lawsuit forced Taylor County to redraw the boundaries of its

Shirley Sloniker, for many years, was the head of the Taylor County Commission on Aging.

When they first came out, studded snow tires were the rage. Everyone bought them. They worked beautifully. It took some time for people to admit that the studs also prematurely wore out highways.

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| <p>Up until this time, all of the telephone lines were above ground. There was a separate system of telephone poles along our highways, in addition to our electric power poles.</p> |
| <p>Coincidentally, this morning, Feb. 7, 2009, I had a wonderful telephone conversation with Dorothy Willner, nee Franz. Her father was Robert Bruno Franz, who married Leona Maria Vlach. Her grandfather was Wilhelm Frederick Franz, who married Theresa Maria Seidel. He immigrated to Taylor County from the Village of Mocker, in the province of Oberschlesien (Upper Silesia), Germany.</p> |
| <p>For years, the Reynold's family had a large wholesale and retail maple syrup operation at Aniwa, Wis. - a small town just south of Antigo. Don Reynolds was in charge. He had a store selling maple syrup supplies. In addition, he had a huge condensory which boiled down hundreds of thousands of gallons of sap into maple syrup. ¶ About 1980 I stopped there to buy some maple syrup supplies and spoke with Don. The Chicago-Northwestern railroad then ran by the place, and I saw a railroad tank car sitting on a spur. I remarked to Mr. Reynolds that he must be using fuel oil to fuel their cooking operation. He said no, the tank car was actually filled with maple syrup.</p> |

This is a great place to talk about place names for where people were born. The obituary says that Mr. Matayka was born in Czechoslovakia. Mr. Matyka's date of birth was Jan. 3, 1877. At that time there was no Czechoslovakia. Its land was a portion of the Austria-Hungarian Empire, ruled by the Hapsburg monarchy, seated in Vienna, Austria. ¶ Czechoslovakia was created by the Treaty of Versailles in 1919. ¶ About 2000, Czechoslovakia split into two countries, the Czech Republic and Slovakia.

Note that a single county supervisor would now represent not only the Village of Rib Lake, but also the Township of Rib Lake and the Township of Greenwood. This was the result of the decision on reapportionment issued by Judge Charles and covered on the January 27, 1972, edition of the Herald. ¶ Henry J. Gebauer was a long-time resident of the Town of Greenwood. He was not only elected to the Taylor County Board, he later became its chairman. He was a pleasant, intelligent and soft-spoken gentleman. ¶ The same edition of the Herald included an ad by Adolph Vlach which read: "Get out and vote for your representative. We have 4 candidates for whom to vote, 2 will be elected to represent the Town of Greenwood, Town of Rib Lake and Village of Rib Lake as your county supervisors. Candidates are Henry Gebauer, Alphonse Mitchell, Sr., Adolph Vlach and Harold Zielke. Your vote will be appreciated. Thank you. Signed Adolph Vlach."

Long-time manager and owner of Zielke's Grocery Store on McComb Ave., for the past several years Harold had represented the Village on the Taylor Co. Board of Supervisors. This ad was not typed out, rather printed in block lettering. Harold added his signature as another effective, personal touch.

Two hours ago, on Feb. 7, 2009, I was at Ed's IGA store. While Opie Freeck is no longer there, Ed Zondlo's untiring checkout lady, Mary Kauer, used my Visa card to buy my groceries. In 2009, Ed's IGA, 801 McComb Ave., is still going strong. I am in the process of writing a history on Rib Lake entitled "A Diamond in the Rough: A History of Rib Lake by one that Loves Her." I intend to devote a chapter to the stores that have operated along McComb Ave. Ed's IGA store is in a building that

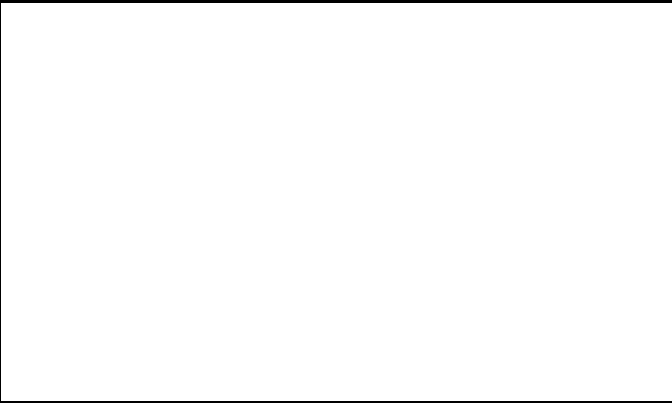


A photograph shows the new church building, essentially completed. The new church was erected at 513 State Rd. ¶ About 2005, the Catholic Church in Chelsea, Assumption, closed. Many of those parishioners came to Rib Lake; at the same time, the Rib Lake Catholic Church changed its name to Good Shepherd Catholic Church.

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| <p>This marks the sale by Laurie Carlson of The Herald, formerly known as the Rib Lake Herald. Jay A. O'Leary went on to buy and operate the Star News in 1987. He died May 4, 1997. In 2008, his widow and daughter continue to own and operate the Star News in Medford.</p> |
| <p>The Rib Lake drive-in was and is located in the northeast corner of Kennedy St. and STH 102. The Rinehardts had recently purchased it from the Wagners.</p> |
| <p>The new building still stands on the southeast corner of STH 102 and Pearl Street. The old building is now the home of Hal and Dawn Swenson, 667 McComb Ave.</p> |
| <p>The Northern Cabinet Company proved to be a real success story. Its founder, Roger Johnson, was a commercial aircraft pilot, who died about 1990. The company still thrives on the west side of Rib Lake under its new name, Great Northern Cabinetry, Inc., 749 Kennedy Street.</p> |
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The Schwartz home was located on the NW 1/4 - SE 1/4, Section 19, Town 33 North, Range 3 East. In approximately 1970, the Town Board appropriately named the road leading northward from STH 102 to the homestead Schwartz Drive. ¶ My father once told me a story regarding Mike Schwartz. He was the road boss for the Town of My father's job was to use a team of horses to grade the town highway smooth. My dad repeatedly struck a rock on the town road and one day he resolved to dig it out. The job turned out to be much more involved than my father anticipated. My dad was still digging about noon when Mike happened by and asked my dad what he was doing. My father responded, "I'm sick and tired of hitting this rock and I'm gonna dig it out." Mike responded, "Well that's fine, Herman, but I once dug at that rock for a day and a half and I could never reach bottom." ¶ At that, my dad called it quits and filled the earth back around the rock. As far as I know, the rock still sits in the middle of Berry Avenue.

Note the language that the Town of Greenwood did not a community cemetery. It always had, and still does have, a Lutheran cemetery associated with St. Peter's Lutheran Church, and a Catholic cemetery associated with St. Ann's Catholic Church. This reminds me of something that happened to me in 5th grade on the north side of Milwaukee, where I was attending school. ¶ Whenever a new student came to school, we would ask him whether he was Catholic or Lutheran. I was in the 5th grade when someone surprised me by saying that he was "Presbyterian." None of us kids had ever heard of a Presbyterian.



I have quoted in its entirety the Rib Lake Locals to give you a feel for the type of local "news" that the Herald published on a weekly basis.

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| <p>H. Roger Johnson suffered from a kidney problem, necessitating a kidney transplant. ¶ The Northern Cabinet Company was rapidly successful. It won any number of awards for its well-designed and well-constructed cabinets. Mr. and Mrs. Johnson eventually sold their interest in the company. In 2009, the company is known as Great Northern Cabinetry, Inc., 749 Kennedy Street. ¶ Roger Johnson's widow, Carmen L. Johnson, sold her interest in the Johnson home on the top of Spokes Hill, the NW 1/4 - NW 1/4, Section 35, Town 34 North, Range 2 East, Town of Hill.</p> |
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The new church structure took the place of a wooden church built in 1897, where Church Street junctions with Railroad.

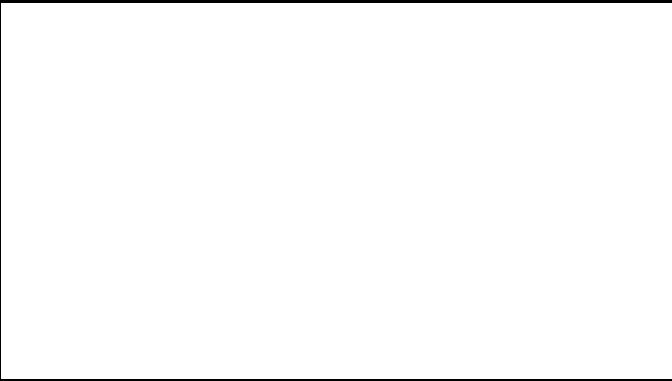
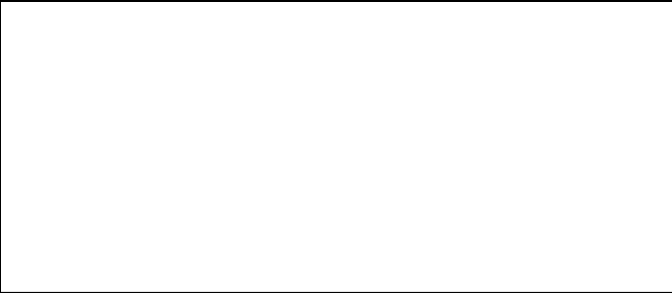
I was privileged to serve as District Attorney for four terms - 8 years. I was the first Democrat ever to hold that office. After leaving office, I joined my brother, Thomas M. Rusch, at the Rusch & Rusch Law Office in Medford in 1980. We both plan to retire and close the Rusch & Rusch Law Office on

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| There are obviously some typographical errors in the midst of this obituary. |
| At the time, the Soo Line locomotive still operated diesel locomotives between Prentice and Ogema. |
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| Joe Sweda was a dogged and successful campaigner. He was re-elected. He left the Assembly when Governor Lucey appointed him as state highway commissioner. In 2008, Joe |
| In 2009, the former Menning Barbershop is occupied by George Zondlo, Jr., - barber, 821 McComb Ave. It occupies Lot 6, Block C of McComb's Racing Park Addition. |
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| Unfortunately, this sage advice was not heeded. ¶ The railroad line, until 1933, actually extended northward from Athens to Goodrich. When the RLLC operated Camp 1 near Goodrich in 1906, the logs from that camp were transported through and then east to Rib Lake. |
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An accompanying photograph showed a large tree without foliage and bore the following caption: "DUTCH ELM DISEASE - pictured is an elm tree completely devoid of foliage. To the right is a maple tree showing quite a contrast." ¶ To anyone that did not live in Rib Lake at the time, it is hard to explain in a convincing fashion what a magnificent common tree the elm was. While partial to cool, moist areas, it also frequently formed a huge tree in open fields. The Dutch Elm disease eliminated all old and middle-aged trees in Rib Lake in the 1970's. ¶ To this day, elm continues to sprout and grow. It is largely immune to the disease until it reaches middle age, when it is inevitably fatally stricken. ¶ I cut the elm on my home place and had it milled into paneling. It made beautiful wainscoting for the family room. The grain is spectacular.



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| The Westboro cheese company satisfied the order by building waste water retention ponds. This was in place of piping the waste directly into Silver Creek. |
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| The old bank building continues to occupy the NE corner of McComb and Landall in 2009. About 1985, it was extensively remodeled by Paul Hohl as part of his Little Bohemia Tavern, bowling alley and restaurant. |

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| Clarence Lundeen was eventually interred at the Westboro cemetery. His family erected a beautiful tombstone featuring the likeness of a Soo Line locomotive. ¶ The last train left the Village of Rib Lake in 1951. The Public Service Commission authorized the Soo Line to remove its Chelsea to Rib Lake tracks on Aug. 2, 1951. The railroad |
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| Ray was a son of the founder of the Rib Lake Herald, John J. Voemastek. |

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| Joe Bonde was a neighbor and a dear friend. ¶ He had been working out of town the week before the fire. He apparently came home late at night and after other family members were already in bed. |

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| It's hard to say enough about the energy and drive of Sue Thums, nee Marschke. ¶ In 2009, she was again the top salesperson for the Dairyland Realty Co. of Medford, where she works. |

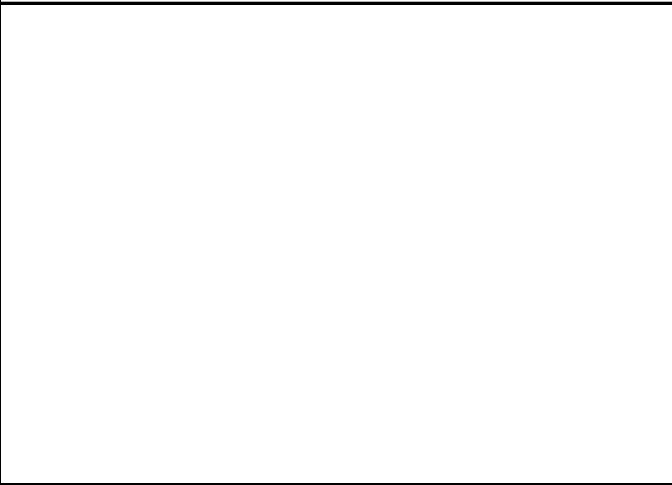
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| <p>In 1981, I had the pleasure of interviewing Gordon Nordberg at his home in the Village of Rib Lake in preparation for writing the centennial history. Gordon was very proud of his Swedish ancestry, and I thought I would impress him with a bit of trivia: I pointed out that the Swedish king, Gastavus Adolphus, lost his life on the battlefield of Lutzen, Germany in 1640. Without missing a beat, Gordon reached to his carpeted floor and</p> |
| <p>You will note that technically there is no longer a <u>Rib Lake Herald</u>. The proper name of the newspaper is now The Herald. This change was first announced under Publisher Laurie Carlson on 8/13/1970. ¶ On Dec. 14, 1972, the owner, editor and publisher of The Herald was Jay A. O'Leary. He eventually became the owner of the Star News in Medford in 1987.</p> |
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| <p>A Gymkhanas is an equestrian show.</p> |
| <p>My apologies if I misspelled anyone's names. The binding obscured some of the names.</p> |

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| Mrs. Duane Powers, also known as Star Powers, was a highly-accomplished librarian. She had done a great deal to improve and modernize the library. She was a published poet. |
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| The daily specials for Jan. 15-19 were: Monday - beef stew; Tuesday - creamed chicken and biscuits; Wednesday - chop suey; Thursday - pork hocks and sauerkraut; Friday - Spaghetti and meatballs |
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| This is from a paid advertisement. |
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At the time, Stewart Lumber & Fuel Company was located in the old RLLC machine shop on the southeast corner of McComb and STH 102. The Stewarts erected a new office building and lumber yard on the land they purchased from the village. In 2009, the business is known as C&D Lumber Company, 729 Kennedy Street. Leroy Stewart



The Herald published a photograph of the team, beneath which was printed: "Girls basketball is a popular sport among the females at Rib Lake High School. Seated from the upper left are: Sue Schreiner, Peggy Hanke, Debbie Coultas, Cindi Rindt, Mary Carroll and Karen Hanke. From lower left are: Jane Scheithauer, Beth Niggeman, Denise Krause, Joan Niemi and Lynnea Waszkiewicz."

Isadore Bonde worked long, hard and successfully on wildlife habitat projects. He dug ponds and planted thousands of trees and fruit-bearing shrubs on his former dairy farm in the southwest corner of

This ad marks the beginning of coin-operated car wash services in the village. Roger Johnson was the owner and operator of the filling station on the northeast corner of McComb and STH 102. (In 2009, the self-service gas station there is owned by Cindy & Greg Hanke, doing business as C&G Mini-Mart, Inc.; 910 STH 102). ¶ In 1983, Roger Johnson's gas station building had restrooms, an office and two connected bays for repairs. He extended his concrete building toward the east, building an enclosed area for the coin-operated car wash. It was an instant success. ¶ Talking about car washes reminds me of a comment made by my father, Herman Rusch. During the 1920's he loved to drive his Model A Ford off of Wood Creek Avenue and into Klosterman Creek at a site 1/2 mile east of STH 102. The creek bottom was firm because of its gravel base. He said it was a popular place to wash cars.

Note the short comment regarding the nation being at peace. This is a reference to the fact that America's participation in the war in Vietnam had ended. That long and controversial war ended by North Vietnam overrunning the American Allies in South Vietnam. ¶ To date, The Herald has not made any mention of the end of the war in Vietnam.

I would very much welcome someone giving me information regarding the Royal Neighbors.

The Herald listed the Rib Lake ball players as Terry Patrick, Bill Becker, Mark Stibbe, Dennis Zondlo, Rick Anderson, Gary Thums, Kevin Klemm. The Rib Lake junior varsity team consisted of Krist Punzek, Greg Stibbe, Tim Thums, Wayne Mann, Bob Ziembo, Dave Roder.

This hard-hitting editorial was the work of Jay A. O'Leary.

Marge Thums, here identified as Mrs. George Thums, has just been given her own byline. It may be that she just started this weekly column. ¶ This column is typical of the folksy news which filled a great deal of The Herald. ¶ The Feb. 15 edition of The Herald, for the first time, identified Mrs. Roy Meier, Phone 564-2698, as the author of the long-

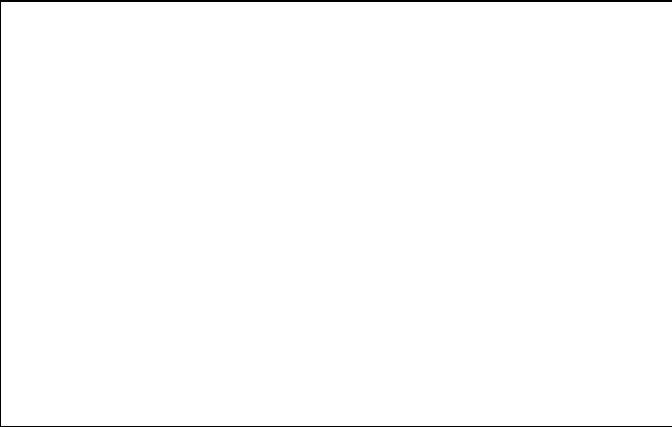
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| These state fees were in addition to any fees established by any county, including Clark. ¶ The good old days of being able to put up any sign you wanted along STH 13 or 102 were now over. The long arm of the law has reached Taylor County. |

This is the first advertisement appearing in The Herald for factory-built homes. At the time, factory-built homes were routinely referred to as pre-fabs. Pre-fabs was a derogatory term that grew out of the WWII experience where such homes were routinely constructed in slipshod, cheap fashion. ¶ Marlin Walbeck had begun a carpentry business. This included serving as the local sales representative for his Tri-State Homes. Hence this ad. Marlin went on to work for Doyle Builders of Medford for over 25 years.

These highway re-routing plans were implemented and completed by the fall of 1974. The road configuration thus created remains in affect in 2009. In short, STH 13 was moved out of "downtown" Westboro.

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| Elbert, "Bert," was born in Rib Lake on Jan. 1, 1884. He moved from Rib Lake in 1906. He visited Rib Lake on May 14, 1953. |
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| Unfortunately, the quality of the microfilm is so bad that the remainder of the article is indecipherable. Amos Martin was a brother of Shirley Martin, one of the first inductees to the Rib Mrs. Lillian Thums, now 94, is still going strong in 2009. She is the daughter of Anton and Mary Kurek and grew up in Section 18, Town 33 North, Range 3 West. As a youngster, she walked four miles, one way, to grade school at Mud Lake. ¶ The same edition of The Herald had a paid ad run by |
| Mrs. George (Marge) Thums produced this folksy, weekly column. |
| Her father, Frank Hayward, for many years operated the RLLC logging locomotives as engineer. ¶ Since we shared a strong interest in Rib Lake history, DeLorr and I became close friends. One day she presented me with a most unusual gift, a piece of lignum vitae. Lignum vitae is an exceptionally dense wood grown in Africa. She explained that the RLLC used pieces of lignum |

Zondlos has been the scene of many a good time. During the summer, I can frequently hear the polka music on quiet evenings at my house 1-1/2 miles away from Zondlo's bar and dance hall.



The 1970's saw a number of people in the area getting into the ginseng business. The business appears to thrive to this day, especially in Marathon County.

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| <p>The thoughtful article covered the process of licensing dumps and the monthly supervision of dumps that was now being conducted by state personnel. In 1973 both the Town of Rib Lake and the Village of Rib Lake had its own dumps. By 1990, all of the dumps were closed and replaced by recycling and/or solid waste deposition at regional, regional, and regional.</p> |

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| The 1970's brought about a greater public appreciation of the benefits of fire for wildlife management purposes. |

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| Ironically, the Rib Lake Herald misspelled Melaski in the headline as "Malaski." |

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| <p>The village board published a long list of all payments made, listing the payments to a penny. This included, for example, the car allowance of Stanley Hebda, consisting of \$4.</p> |
| <p>The village of Rib Lake's 4-H Club, the Lucky Lakers, had recently created the "adopt-a-grandparent" program. Members "adopted" a grandparent at the Golden Age Nursing Home. What a great idea! John's parents, Ned and Ann Orthmann, were invaluable teachers in the Rib Lake School District.</p> |
| <p>Long-time correspondent, Mrs. Roy Meier, nee Risberg, provided newsy tidbits for the Price County German Settlement. Its center was, and is, at CTH YY and German Settlement Road. In 2009, retired pastor, Michael Meier, heads a very active German Settlement Society.</p> |

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| <p>This is a small portion of the folksy column written weekly by Mrs. George Thums, otherwise known as Marge. In 2009, a spry and spunky Marge continues to reside at 766 Fayette Avenue.</p> |
| <p>The 1970's saw the explosion in interest in pole barn buildings. These buildings were constructed without foundation; treated timbers are set into the ground and wooden 2 x 4's between the timbers provide the framework for the structure. Steel siding forms the sides and roof. Pole barn</p> |

Note that "Rib Lake" has been deleted from the title of the newspaper. The new editor and publisher, J.A. O'Leary, is attempting to appeal to readers in an area far beyond Rib Lake. ¶ For example, The Herald now routinely covered the village board meeting minutes for the Village of Athens, Marathon County. ¶ The same edition of The Herald included a feature article on Congressman David Obey speaking to students at the Abbotsford High School. ¶ Also note that the classified ads in The Herald were simultaneously in other newspapers owned by O'Leary, namely, the Abbotsford-Colby Tribune-Phonograph, and the Athens-Edgar Record-Review.

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| The poor quality of the microfilm, from which I am reading this article, made it impossible for me to reproduce the entire article. Ironically, the date of this dictation, May 5, 2009, I learned that the State of Wisconsin, Department of Financial Institutions, had just approved my creation of the "Rib Lake Historical Society, LLC." |
| Rib Lake is somewhat unique in that - despite the presence of multiple churches - it has no religious, church cemetery. The beautiful municipal cemetery on the east shores of Rib Lake serves all faiths. |
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| These folksy area columns were the bread and butter of The Herald at this time. |
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| <p>My congratulations & best wishes to the recently-organized German Settlement History, Inc. This historical society has done a spectacular job in its 5 years of existence. Working closely in conjunction with Michael & Toni Meier, who own the former Liberty School building at CTH YY and German Settlement Rd., the German Settlement History corporation is creating a museum there. On May 24, 2009, they are sponsoring their 5th annual barn dance and fundraiser. The poster for the barn dance reads: "The board members of German Settlement History, Inc., invite you to join family & friends on Memorial Day weekend for an evening of fun & socializing! Place-Darrell and Luanne Lind farm, located 3/4 mile south of County YY (Liberty School)...Free will donation gets you into the barn dance. There will be free refreshments of pie, ice cream, coffee & lemonade. Music provided by</p> |

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Mrs. Conrad (Bernice) Roder went on to serve as the president of a local Missouri synod congregation, Trinity, in Chelsea.

The long, drawn-out war in Vietnam had finally ended. This explained the comment about no boys being overseas.

Leroy Stewart and his father, Roy, moved to Rib Lake in 1959. They purchased from Elmer Taylor the former RLLC machine shop in the SE corner of McComb Ave. and STH 102. Elmer Taylor had formerly opened a lumber yard and hardware operation there.

¶ The new Stewart Lumber Company site - described in this article - was and is located at 729 Kennedy Street. Leroy Stewart and sons operated their lumber yard there until 1999, when they sold to Craig & Dale Zirngible, who changed the operation name to C&D Lumber Company. As of May, 2009, Leroy Stewart, now in his 80's, happily

This petition was approved. Eventually, STH 13 was relocated from the center of "downtown" Westboro. The new route was constructed approximately 1/2 mile further west and south of "downtown" Westboro. Ironically, in 1989, the railroad was abandoned. The bridge now spans the Pine Line Rail Trail. STH 13 crosses it and adjacent Fischer Creek 1/2 mile south of "downtown" Westboro. ¶ In 2005, the "Soo Line" Railroad name was lost when its parent company, Canadian Pacific Railroad Corporation either operated its trackage under such name or sold lines to the Canadian National Railroad.

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| See Doc. #12828ff for original documents about Rib Lake's "camp" of the Royal Neighbors of America |
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| H. Roger and his wife, Carmen, Johnson, were the founders and operators of Northern Kitchens, Inc. After a long and successful career as a commercial airplane pilot, he launched his new career in the woodworking field at Rib Lake. Their operations were fabulously successful here. They built a magnificent home on top of Spokes Hill in southern Price County. He passed away about 2000. ¶ The company that he and his wife founded continues to thrive in Rib Lake; Great Northern Cabinetry, Inc., is located at 749 Kennedy Street. It continues to manufacture popular, upscale kitchen and home cabinets. |

As of May 5, 2009, The Village Wash thrives in the SE corner of STH 102 and Pearl Street.

Coincidentally, not 15 minutes ago, I met Mrs. Magnuson, Joan, at the Rib Lake Public Library, where I am dictating this material. Joan is now retired from her long teaching career in the Rib Lake Public School System. Her husband, Herb, offered to show me the site of the Major Isaac Stone residence near Stone Lake. Major Stone was the first caucasian settler of Price County, Wis.

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| I believe this family gave its name to St. Clair Lake, located on the north side of Rustic Road #1, Section 6, Town 33 North, Range 3 East. The St. Clair farm was located on its eastern shore. |
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This huge construction project resulted in the re-routing of STH 13 around Westboro.

I was privileged to draft this petition. The petition eventually resulted in the creation of Rustic Road #1. See the official historical marker at the east end of the Rustic Road and STH 102.

Accompanying this article was a photograph of Bass Lake taken from the fire tower atop Timm's Hill. Please note the spelling of Tim's with one "m." That is the original spelling. The original spelling referenced Timothy Gahan, a local logger, and Tim's Lake. ¶ About this time, Roy R. Meier of Spirit single-handedly started an eventually successful campaign to add a second "m" to the name. He thought the high point of Wisconsin deserved a more prestigious name, and he thought there should be an extra "m" in Timm's Hill.

J.J. Kennedy had moved from Spencer to Rib Lake. That might explain why the Spencer Methodist preacher showed up in Rib Lake. ¶ At first the Rib Lake Methodist Church was known as a "Methodist Episcopal Church." Episcopal referred to the practice of having Bishops, the Episcopate. That explains the initials M.E. ¶ Many of the early Kennedys were members of the Methodist Church in Rib Lake.

Mrs. Everett Edens composed a long and folksy column. Typical of her comments were the following: "Herman Grittner, Sr., is a patient of Memorial Hospital in Medford. Mr. and Mrs. John Nelson attended the state fair Friday until Sunday at Milwaukee, and also visited her sister there. ¶ The Chequamegon 4-H Club went to Crystal Caves on Aug. 11. They picnicked at Crystal Caves, and

In 2009, Mrs. Marge Thums remains very spry into her 90's, and still in the Village of Rib Lake.

Bob Larson would go on to represent Rib Lake and Taylor County in the Wisconsin State Assembly for several terms as a Republican.

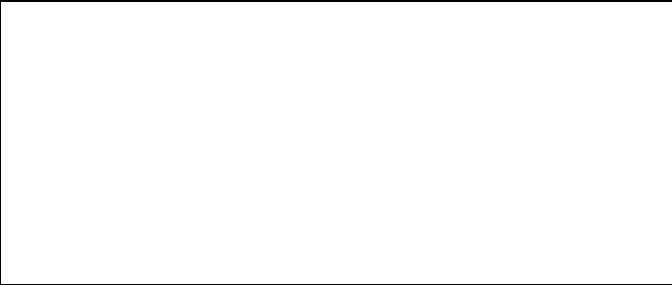
The Golden Age Nursing Home of Rib Lake has proved to be a fabulous success on many levels.

Note that the editors of The Herald are still spelling Timm's Hill with a single "m." ¶ The town road alluded to along the south end of Bass Lake is now the Rustic Road. The tavern burned down and the site was purchased by Lyle and Cathy Blomberg, who have constructed a beautiful facility called Catch a Dream Resort. Recently, Cathy added her own restaurant, the Hill of Beans. Lyle has built many of the log cabins at the resort, including a beautiful log meeting hall. ¶ Just north of Bass Lake is Tim's Lake. It is spelled with a single "m" and is named after Timothy Gahan, a local logger. ¶ In 2009, the entire shoreline of Bass Lake is now enclosed within Timm's Hill County Park. It is a real gem.

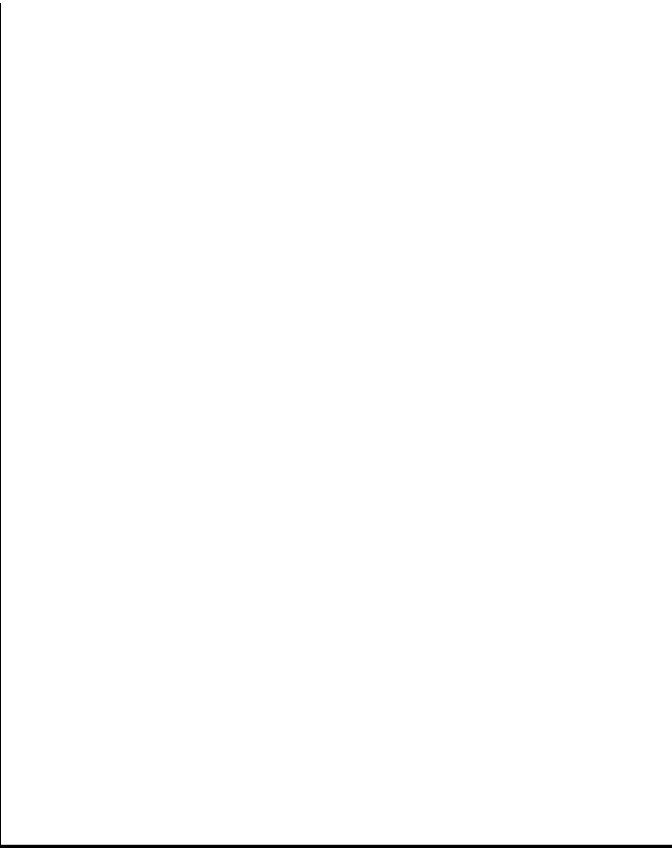


This resulted in the construction of the apartment complex on the former tannery grounds in Rib Lake.

The elementary school complex at Westboro could still be utilized. The Westboro school district had gone out of existence several years before. ¶ See Doc. #12842ff for photos of the Westboro school complex in 1984.



This parish was at first known by its German name, Mutter der Immerwaehrenden Hilfe, "Mother of Perpetual Help." The land for the church and cemetery was donated by my maternal great-grandfather, August Steiner, who donated 2 acres from his farm. It was in the farmhouse on that farm that my mother, Martha Hedwig Rusch, nee Gebauer, was born. ¶ One of August Steiner's ¶ For years, my maternal great-grandfather played a leadership role in the congregation; August Steiner would, for example, teach confirmation class. ¶ Nearly all of my maternal great-grandparents and their children, and my maternal grandparents and their children, are buried at the Catholic cemetery there. Their gravestones are all in German.



A form was published in The Herald demonstrating that the Town of Rib Lake spent \$3,197 for "public transportation"; this sum represented 100% of the federal cost-sharing monies received by the town. ¶ Under President Richard Nixon, the federal government inaugurated a program of tax-sharing. The theory was that the federal government had unique sources of income available to it, and that those funds should be shared with local units of government. For approximately a decade, the federal government doled out "revenue sharing" to states, villages and towns. As a condition precedent to getting this money, a municipality would have to run an ad indicating how the money was spent. The ad took the form of a government-prepared page that had dozens of columns and spots for data. Then town chairman, Marlin Walbeck, made things The church did deed the property to the village. For a short time, the strucutre was the "Laker Social Club." A 1986 picture of the social club is Doc. #12849. About 1988, the village razed the church structure. The lot has remained vacant ever since. ¶ The site for the senior citizens center was chosen about a block away along STH 102.

The entire minutes of the school board were regularly published in The Herald at this time. This included a line-by-line statement of the bills. The high bill for this session of the board was Highway Cleaners for dry-cleaning in the amount \$300.50. The low bill paid \$6.48 to Steck-Vaughn Company for "workbooks."

A few years later, Westboro hit the jackpot and did get funding to create its mound system of sewer waste disposal.

About 1992, the population of students going out for football at Rib Lake fell to a critical point. It was then decided to put together a team combining players from both Rib Lake and Prentice. The new team was dubbed "The Hawks." The team has been very successful.

This was one in a series of lakes then being published by The Herald. Accompanying the article was a nice map of North Harper Lake and its surrounding area. ¶ Harper Lake gets its name from a foreman who operated a nearby lumber company for the J.S. Owen Lumber Company.

Both of these projects were necessitated by the re-routing of STH 13 to the west side of Westboro.

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| I don't know what type of football player Gary turned out to be, but he has become quite a runner, skier and snowshoer. He is an active member of the Rib Lake Ski & Snowshoe Club in 2009. In fact, he has been a charter member since 1982. |
| Rib Lake, like nearly every school in north Wisconsin, has been plagued with declining enrollments. The entire school population for the year 2008-2009 is just under 500. Declining enrollment creates a severe fiscal problem for our local district. The bulk of our funding is by way of state dollars. We receive appoximately \$6,000 per student in 2008. Every time we lose a student, the district loses \$6,000. |
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| The Town of Spirit was originally the Town of Brennan. |

Unfortunately, the idea of a museum did not work out. The building was razed c. 1988. ¶ In 2009, the site is a vacant lot. It stands two doors south of the southeast corner of Landall Avenue and Pearl Street.

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| <p>This was a sad day for Rib Lake. <u>This proved to be the final edition of The Rib Lake Herald</u>, renamed "The Herald" on 8/13/1970. Its final editor and publisher was J.A. O'Leary, who went on to a successful career editing and owning The Star News in Medford. J.A. O'Leary died May 4, 1997. To this day, 2009, The Star News is run by his</p> |

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