Chilling North winds, driving wisps of snow, are becoming more frequent as the real Mr. Winter slowly rises to be recognized. Landers and pantry shelves are quickly filling up and mail order catalogs are being carefully studied in preparation for the coming holidays and winter months ahead.

WEATHER: The Beaver Island weather for the month of October as reported by Fire Officer Bill Wagner.

High temperature of 75 degrees was on the 1st.
Low temperature of 37 degrees was on the 13th.
Average high temperature was 61.3 degrees.
Average low temperature was 47.3 degrees.
High 5 p.m. temperature of 72 degrees was on the 1st.
Low 5 p.m. temperature of 40 degrees was on the 7th.
Average 5 p.m. temperature was 55.5 degrees.
Rainfall for the month was 2.87 inches.
Total precipitation for the year, including snow, was 24.64 inches.
Temperatures were in the 70's for 3 days; in the 60's for 16 days and in the 50's for 12 days.

GAME NEWS: The first "Bucks Only" deer season in many years is now in its second week with but 26 taken and eight of these, including the biggest (215 pounds dressed) were taken off of Gordon Island. It does seem good however, not to see slaughtered fawns held up for public display. Perhaps if this type of hunting is kept up, the status of the real deer hunter can be re-established.

The Annual Hunter's Banquet was held the evening of the 17th with over 140 hungry hunters being fed a hearty roast beef dinner topped off with home-made pumpkin pie. Game Club President, Alvin LaFreniere, stressed the immediate need for extensive timber cutting in order to provide new food growth for an increasing deer herd. A show of hands of those who would like to see a continued "Bucks Only" season, indicated approximately 90% would like to see it continued.

Game Club Proposals, such as re-establishing turkeys to the Island and the planting of Reaves pheasants was described by Mr. LaFreniere. Previous activities of the Game Club, such as tree pruning and seeding have been costly enough to force the membership fee of $2.00 per year instead of $1.00. A small fee indeed for the preservation of our game and their habitats.

A drawing for the door prize of a Texas Fifth, went to Mr. Paul Rau.

The Basket of Joy was won by Gerald Cotter.

A movie, produced by the Beer Archery Company of Grayling, Michigan,
was shown of hunting deer with bow and arrow. All in all, the evening was deemed very much as success and a hearty well done to all who helped put it on. Activities co-chairmen Maria Reigle and Marge Wagner made certain there were no hungry hunters left before calling it a day.

SCHOOL NEWS by PAM MCDONOUGH: A Student Council election took place on October 13th at 1:00 p.m. The nominations came in for the Student Council Election. Platforms were given and the following were elected:

Audrey Wojan----President
Karen McGafferty--Secretary
Richard Gillespie--Treasurer

They are hoping to achieve great entertainment for the Island students.

The first feat of the Student Council took place October 22nd when the 9th through 12th grade students, under the supervision of the Student Council, attended the Charlevoix Home-Coming activities. The students were met at the dock by Mr. Dale Burg and Mr. Keuffman and taken to the High School where they were met by a host or hostesses and taken to their homes. Thanks to the Beaver Island Boat Company, who permitted a special cut rate the Island kids could attend the game.

A Halloween Dance sponsored by the Student Council took place on October 30th in the All-purpose room of the Beaver Island Community School. The dance started at 9:00 p.m. and was chaperoned by Mr. and Mrs. Edward Wojan. Students from seventh through 12th grade attended.

The Island youths were fortunate to have the Freeway and Campus Life visit the Island on November 5th. The performance began at 8:00 p.m. and was based on freedoms we enjoy as Americans today. The Charlevoix Flying Club sponsored the groups transportation free. Mrs. Walter Wojan and Mrs. Archie LaFreniere provided free lodging and the Circle M provided cut rates on their meals. Young adults from eighth through twelfth grades as well as a few adults attended the performance.

Christmas vacation will begin at noon on December 23rd and school will resume again on January 3rd.

ADULT EDUCATION: This fall Adult Education classes were started under the supervision of Sister Rita Wenzlick, Principal of the Beaver Island Community School. The response has been gratifying with 7 enrolled in Accounting Class, 8 in Sewing Class and 4 taking a Typing Course. The classes will continue until April and with such a good response, perhaps, next year more classes will be offered.

SAILORS HOME: Philip "Don" Burke has returned to the Island after being aboard the Stmr. B. F. Affleek for the shipping season.

Archie Minor, also, has returned to the Island from the Irving S. Olds, on which he sailed this year.

We are all very glad to see you both home safe and sound.

KEEP DECEMBER 19th FREE FOR THE CHRISTMAS BAZAAR AND STOP BY AT THE COOKIE CARNIVAL ON DECEMBER 22nd.
OBITUARIES: GERTRUDE F. CAMPBELL - Mrs. Gertrude F. Campbell, aged 91, of 30 Bellevue, Pontiac Michigan passed away on Saturday, November 30th. A recitation of the Rosary was at Sparks Griffin Funeral Home and funeral services were held at 11:00 a.m., Tuesday at St. Vincent DePauls Church, Pontiac, Michigan. Interment was at Mt. Hope Cemetery, Pontiac, Michigan.

She was the mother of twelve children and surviving are Walter R. Campbell, Jr., Donald P., Robert B. and William L. Campbell all of Pontiac. Mrs. Louis Vandermelden of Detroit, Mrs. Frank Nackerman of Beaver Island, Mrs. Harry Kelly of Standish, Mrs. Douglas Gilman of Newmarket, Ont. and Mrs. Ray Fugett of Grand Rapids. Two brothers and one sister. Thirty-two grandchildren, fifty-three great-grandchildren and two great, great-grandchildren. Mr. Campbell preceded her in death five years ago in October. Our deepest sympathy to the family.

CLOSED FOR THE WINTER: With winter upon us the Beachcomber and the Killarney Inn have closed their doors for the season. The Jim Jans have returned to Chicago and Grace Cole has returned to her home to spend the winter.

HOSPITAL NOTES: Bid Sendenburgh has returned home from Little Traverse Hospital, where she has been a patient for many weeks.

John A. Gallagher was a patient in Little Traverse Hospital for surgery.

THANKSGIVING DINNER by SHELDON PARKER: a few years ago, members of the Beaver Island Christian Church, thinking of folks on the Island with no families with whom to share the Thanksgiving feast, met at the Church for a pot-luck. The success of that first venture, led to it being adopted as an annual event. Following this most pleasant custom, members and guests met on Thursday Nov. 25th to enjoy fellowship, the dinner and to give Thanks for Blessings of the past year.

Off Island guests attending were: Mr. and Mrs. Jack Carson, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Lockwood, and Mr. Frank Dorich. Mrs. Carson and Mrs. Lockwood are daughters of Mrs. Rogers Carlisle. Mr. Frank Dorich is deer hunting, and visiting his old friend, "Poor Milt" Bennet.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Langford, and son, Don, of Indianapolis and Lake Geneserath, on the way to attend the festivities, slid off the shoulder of the road at Little Sand Bay, and upon being helped back onto the road by Bud McDonough, and lots of boy power, gave up and retreated to Lake Geneserath, where they left the car by the road, and walked to the cabin. We missed them.

Also missing were Lil, Phil and Ronnie Gregg, who spent the holiday on the mainland: Lil and Phil with Ruth Ellen, currently of Petoskey and Ron with sister, Phyllis and her husband, Joe, in Grand Rapids. After dining, visiting and cleaning up were finally concluded, every one went home full of turkey and expectations of doing the same thing, come Thanksgiving Day of 1972.

CONTEST - CONTEST - CONTEST: Again this year a contest will be held for outdoor Christmas decorating. There will two $10.00 prizes and the judging will be held on the evening of December 26th. Why don't you decorate your home and yard this year? Maybe you will a winner.
GONE FOR THE WINTER (OR GOING): The following people have left for the winter or will be gone within the next few weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. George Ricksgers, Mrs. Sadie Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Pat Bonner, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Nee, Mrs. Marguerite Runberg, Mrs. Catherine Dunbar, Mrs. Elizabeth Gallagher, Mrs. Olive Dillingham, Mrs. Bess Haynes, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Frimble, Mrs. Elsie O'Donnell, Mrs. Catherine White, Bernard O'Donnell, Mr. and Mrs. Ernie Martin and son, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Roy, Mrs. Helen Collar, Mrs. Virginia Rountree, Mrs. Roy Provencher, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Hoiffin, Mr. and Mrs. Bert McDonough, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Adams, Mr. and Mrs. Curley Hartzell, Mr. and Mrs. Z. Reagle, Mrs. Mabel Cull, Mr. Matt McVillic, Mrs. Florence Wittonburg, and Mrs. Edna McCann.

NEW WINTER RESIDENTS: The following people will be Island residents for this winter.

Mr. and Mrs. Art Schutz, Mrs. Joan Ensign and son, Brad, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Davis, Mr. and Mrs. Steve Prudhoe and the Orville Andersons.

ISLAND BOOSTER: We recently received a letter from Mrs. Katherine Burton of Ottaway Street in Harbor Springs, Michigan and we would like to share part of her letter with our readers.

Dear Folks,

Thank you for the Beaver Beacon and in the last one, October, I read about your letter from Washington. Well, I got a letter too. I was listening to the news and heard that President Nixon was invited to Machnav, so I sent him a map and some things about Beaver Island, and I got a surprise of my life. I got a letter back which I am sending you folks. I'd like it back. I that you could give him an invitation, too. I'm 81 and I haven't made it. I've saved money many time. I've met a young lady, Mary Ann Palmer. Everyone wants to read the Beacon. I lend it, it gets away. I missed the one about the horse that done so many things. Don't know if you can read this, I've arthritis of nerve tissues. I want to get this to you.

Katharine Burton

P.S.
Pat Nixon's people are Irish as he is too.

This is her reply from The White House.

Dear Mrs. Burton:

The President has asked me to reply to your letter inviting him to visit Beaver Island.

Although we do not know of a time now when he could have this pleasure, the President is appreciative of your asking him and hopes that some time in the future he will have the opportunity for a visit to your area.

With thanks for your interest in writing, and best wishes,

Sincerely,

David N. Parker
Staff Assistant to the President
For someone who has never visited the Island herself, we want to thank Mrs. Burton for being such a wonderful Beaver Island Booster.

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR: On December 19th the Annual Christmas Bazaar will be held at Holy Cross Parish Hall, under the sponsorship of the Holy Cross Altar Society.
The doors will open at 3:00 p.m. with lots of games and booths. At 5:00 p.m. a pot luck dinner will be served to all those attending.
Following the dinner, entertainment will be provided by the children of the Beaver Island School.
No Christmas Party would be complete without a visit from Santa and he will be there sometime during the evening.
Also, during the evening the Christmas Gift Tree will be given away.
If you haven't sent your contribution in yet, why not do it now.
Everyone is welcome so why not join us on December 19th.

JR. MISS PAGEANT WINNER: Proving once again that beauty and brains do go together, is the Jr. Miss Pageant winner of 1971-72 in Peru, Ind., Mary Ann McGann.
Mary Ann is the daughter of Lt. Col. and Mrs. John McGann, Grissom AFB and former Beaver Islanders. The winner over 14 other girls representing Peru, North Miami and Oak Hill high schools, is a senior at Maconaquah High School. In spite of attending two other high schools before coming to Peru, Mary Ann is a member of National Honor Society, Forensic League, Thespians, Drama Club and French Club. She is also vice president of the student body, a varsity cheerleader and is on the yearbook staff. She is employed parttime in the Officers' Club on Grissom AFB and plans to attend Notre Dame University and study languages. She presented a modern dance performance in the talent competition.
She will compete in the Indiana State Pageant at Frankfort, January 20, 21 and 22.
Our Best Wishes are with you, Mary Ann.

COOKIE CARNIVAL: On December 22nd the Annual Cookie Carnival under the sponsorship of the Women's Circle will be held at the Beaver Island Christian Church.
The sale will begin at 3:00 p.m. with all sorts of Christmas Goodies available. Instead of baking, why not visit the Cookie Carnival.

HOME FOR THANKSGIVING: The following college students returned to their respective homes for the holiday.
Angie and Ron Wojan, Tony Connaghan, Danny Gillespie, Kevin McDonough, Judy LaFronciere and her guest, Doug Southern, who is on leave from the Army, and Frank Soller.

THE BEAVER ISLAND MEDICAL CENTER: Health care is an inherent right of every American and this inherent right has the highest priority at the Beaver Island Medical Center; as it has a hospital license, a maternity license issued yearly by the State of Michigan, Department of Public Health, also is certified for care of children under Michigan's Medicaid and Crippled Children Program. Under title XVIII of the Social Security Act, the Medical Center may render emergency services to patients over 65 under Section 1814 (d), according to the Department of Health, Education and Welfare.
The Medical Center is a member of the North Central Michigan Comprehensive Health Planning Council—this being a voluntary, non-profit cooperation to bring consumers and providers of health services together to study the needs and resources of the area and recommend goals and policies for coordinating and improving health facilities and manpower.

The administrator of the Medical Center is a Doctor of Medicine, a working member of the American Medical Association working on medi-credit now being discussed by the House Ways and Means Committee, Republican Wilbur Mills. He is also a member of the Michigan State Medical Society, a member of the Northern Michigan Medical Society which includes Charlevoix, Cheboygan and Emmet Counties. He was appointed medical examiner of Charlevoix County as well as being Aviation examiner for the U.S. Department of Transportation and Federal Aviation Administration.

Proper therapy is always a first requisite in any Medical Center thus oxygen nasal sets, resuscitator, tents as well as a positive pressure machine are here as well as an incubator, humidifier, intravenous therapy. We do not have a blood bank although many prospective donors have been typed and plasma is available. Stress on diagnosis is essential here as there is only one resident M.D. here, thus an auxiliary was formed three plus years ago who raised needed money for a Cambridge V.S. III. The Island Telephone Company increased the number of out circuits to Petoskey enabling the Medical Center to transmit tracing to any Heart Station in the U. S. A. enabling the Center to consult with a cardiologist on the spot for management of acute coronarys. Gull cooperation is maintained with the staff of Burns Clinic and their excellent pathology, hematology and cytology departments. Air ambulance during the day and the Coast Guards Helicopter of Traverse City has been used during emergency night trips with excellent results.

Words alone cannot express the many medical accomplishments here due to the joint efforts of our three registered nurses and two registered practical nurses, helping to mold the whole community in the united effort to serve the sick. My darling wife, Rose's, always on the alert so that the Medical Center is clean and the in-patients get good hot meals. She is a member-at-large of the State Medical Auxiliary and keeps this Auxiliary current with state and national groups.

Besides furnishing the new Cambridge EKG, our Auxiliary has refurnished linens, blankets and brand new beautiful draperies. Now the drive is on to double the capacity of the present Medical Center, probable completion, July 1, 1973. Hospital Centers need medical technology but the administrators have repeatedly said, as I am saying now, every Medical Center needs an Auxiliary as badly as a ship needs a rudder. I am very pleased with our very active Auxiliary as their motto is that no undertaking is too big, just so that it is for better medical services for this community.

Joseph W. Christie, M.D.
Administrator
Beaver Island Medical Center

BEAVER ISLAND DOG LICENSING: The Township Treasurers of Pecicon, Mrs. Rose Connaghan, and St. James, Mrs. Vera Wojcic, will issue Dog Licenses from December 1st to February 28th. The Charlevoix County Treasurer will collect the fees after February 28th.

Proof of vaccination for rabies is to be presented to obtain your dog license this year. The vaccination maybe obtained from Dr. Christie.
Sat. Nov. 13th
Oh boy! Day after tomorrow deer season opens. And at last we have "bucks only shooting. I'm glad these doc-shooters have finally been voted out voted. The DNR have at last come to their senses.
There's only four of us this, Harold and Bob backed out when they heard of bucks only. They're going to stay down below. They each got a permit to hunt does in their neighborhood. That leaves Joe, Tom, Jim & I. Oh, well, four is enough for Poker anyway. Weather's pretty warm. Hope it gets colder and snows.
After getting set up at the cabin, we were going out scouting for sign, but remembered the stores would be closing and we've got to get a bunch of stuff. While in town, figured we should check with Archie to find out where they're running. Met some guys from last year and stayed in town pretty late. Everybody happy for the bucks only rule.

Sun. Nov. 14th
Who in the world bought all that beer yesterday? We may starve, but we sure won't die of thirst. Tom and Jim had to go to church this morning, so Joe and I were going scouting, but thought maybe we should wait 'till the others got back. Took a nap instead. After dinner we went till the others got back. Took a nap instead. After dinner we went all ready to go when somebody turned on the TV and the Lion's game was on, so we watched for a while; at the half, it's all tied up, so we've got to see how it turns out. By the time it's finished it's only a couple hours before dark. No use going for so short a time. Thought we should go to town and call home. Got home early, only 11:30 when we left the Beechroomb. Oh yes - Russ Green's tending bar in there. He says he don't look for a big deer kill. Hooray! Tomorrow's the big day!

Mon. Nov. 15th
Some opening morning! Joe forgot to set the alarm clock and we never woke up 'till past daylight. Hunted out back until noon. Didn't hear much shooting. Figured we ought to go to the south end of the Island after dinner. Hunted until four o'clock and ran out of beer. Had to come home. Weather too good - deer don't move. Stayed home and played cards in the evening. Where's the deer? Guy we met in the woods says he heard somebody got one at French Bay. Didn't do much today, but we'll give them fits tomorrow.

Tues. Nov. 16th
Went to French Bay in the morning - hunted 'till noon - didn't see anything. Heard some shooting up towards Green's Bay. A guy said he saw a coyote down on the beach. Wonder if they're getting all the meat. Went to Green's Bay in the P.M. Jim saw a doe and a couple of tails. Now last year we could have got some shooting! Lousy warm weather! - a guy can't stay awake in the woods.

Wed. Nov. 17th
Happy day! It got cold in the night and snowed about 5 inches. We'll get 'em now! Lousy car wouldn't start. After Bill Wellie got it started, we couldn't go too good with those bald headed tires on the back, but couldn't go too good with those bald headed tires on the back. Hunted part of the afternoon out back of the cabin. Saw some tracks.
but no deer. I saw some tracks on the beach I thought were geese,
but turned out to be a sea gull.
Guy in the Shamrock says they've got 21 deer already. Don't know
where they're getting them. Much be shining them at night. Lousy
violators -- no wonder an honest hunter can't get a deer. Went to the
Hunter's Supper tonight. Good enough meal. Game Club president says
the deer don't have enough winter food. anyone can see that there's
lots to eat. ...all they got to do is to keep them out of the old yards.
He says we should come up and help cut browse. Ha! I've got other
tings to do than that. Anyway, I think he only wants somebody to cut
wood for him.

Thurs. Nov. 18th
Darn this cold weather anyhow - 18 degrees above this morning - can't
move without they can hear you clear to St. James. Can't stand still
- start to freeze in a few minutes. Lots of tracks but deer have left
the country! Man, what a headache! Never should have gone to the
Circle M after the dinner. Went in to dinner early, too cold to stay
out. Didn't go out in the P.M. Ran out of beer and had to go into
town to get more. These guys sure charge for brew. Why, I bought 6
packs for ninety-nine cents, one time in Florida. Lost all my spare
change playing pool in the Beachcomber. No wonder they call that guy
"Beaver Island Fats", only he ain't fat.

Fri. Nov. 19
Of all the rotten luck, rained last night - all snow gone. Too darned
warm! Woods too wet to hunt in, so drove the roads all afternoon,
after we got the breakfast dishes done. Didn't see anything but a lot
of road hunters. Don't those guys ever go out in the brush and hunt?
Guess the gang from DeWitt went home today. Only got one deer this
year. Seems as though the guy who usually gets 'em stayed in Wisconsin
this fall. Going home tomorrow.

Sat. Nov. 20
Holy Smokes! Boat Didn't run today. Crew says it's too windy. They
said mabe they'd go at noon. They didn't. Drew cards to see who
stayed on the Island with the car. Tom and Jim flew off with Joe just
before dark. Hope the boat runs tomorrow. Lousy boat!

Sun. Nov. 21
It is windy today. Boat stayed here. You should see the waves in
the harbor! Wonder what time taverns open on Sunday? Can't go hunt-
ing without no guns. Imagine the nerve of that guy - took all of 'em
away from us last night down by Bombers, just because we were looking
around a little with a light, and forgot to unload the firler. Wonder
what Tom and Jim will say? Next year I'll bet I'll hunt some place
where they have some shooting. Lousy Island - Lousy DNR -
Say, Joe - when did he say we had to be in court?
Hope the boat runs tomorrow!

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