

Weidman Messenger

Merry Christmas!



REV. AND MRS. ARLO VANDLEN AND FAMILY will eat Christmas dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Marion Mattoon.

The Rev. Arlo Vandlen announces his sermon Christmas morning at the Weidman Methodist Church will be "The Real Glory of Christmas", and urges everyone to attend.

After church services Rev. and Mrs. Vandlen and family expect to leave to spend Christmas with Mrs. Vandlen's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Marion Mattoon of Lansing.

They will spend Monday at the home of Rev. Vandlen's brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. Verden Vandlen of Battle Creek.

MRS. BANNINGER ON CADILLAC TV
Mrs. Robert Banninger appeared on television yesterday, Wednesday, at 11.30 over Station WW-TV, Cadillac, on Ann Carroll's program. Mrs. Banninger's subject was Polish Christmas.

SCHOOL'S OUT FOR HOLIDAY VACATION
After the elementary grades' annual Christmas party yesterday evening in the gym, the school will be dismissed at noon today, Thursday, for the Christmas vacation.

Classes will reconvene Monday morning, Jan. 2.

Mrs. Grace Morey arrived at the home of her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Morey, of Odessa, Texas, Monday night. Grace will spend a few weeks there.

Editor's Column By Connie

AND A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS TO EACH AND ALL OF YOU EVERYWHERE!

HUGHIE OFFERS PRIZE FOR BIGGEST PIKE

Hugh Cuthbert is offering a good prize for the biggest pike caught through the ice on the Weidman mill pond this winter.

We don't know what the prize will be, but Hughie says it's a good one.

Anglers must take their catches to Hughie's place for proof of size and weight.

And the Weidman School's big Christmas wreath on the front of the building is very beautiful, at night especially when the colored lights are turned on.

Postmaster Leo Neubecker says the mail load is about normal this year at Christmas time, except the stamp sales are up. Parcel post and other items are about the same as usual at this season, Leo says.

We've been getting two truck deliveries through the heavy rush, which greatly facilitates distribution.

STATE NO. 1, ON NUTT FARM, DRILLED IN DRY
Brazos Oil Company's State No. 1, located on the Nutt farm in Sherman, was drilled in dry in the Reed City zone at 3788 feet this week, with 2,000 feet of water in the hole.

Casing was being pulled Tuesday, and the well plugged.

EUCHRE CLUB HOLDS ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY MONDAY EVENING AT IDLE HOUR BAR

The Euchre Club held its annual Christmas party Monday evening at the Idle Hour Bar, enjoying a Christmas tree and gift exchanges as well as cards, followed by a big ham supper.

Officers are George Beutler, president; Vera Cavanaugh, secretary; and Sterling Oplinger, treasurer.

Agnes Fox, Ella Yuncker and Clarence Wiley were the food committee. Ted Smith furnished Christmas records.

SCHOOL EMPLOYEES TO BE UNDER SOCIAL SECURITY

At a recent local election, employees of the Weidman and Beal City Schools voted to be taken under social security.

Fifty-three voted, with 50 votes cast Yes and three No.

The status will be confirmed after a state election.

ROD AND GUN CLUB ENJOYS OYSTER SUPPER

The Barryton Rod and Gun Club and Auxiliary met at the American Legion Hall Monday evening, with 22 members present. Ladies of the Auxiliary provided a delicious oyster supper, topped off with cake and coffee.

During business sessions which followed the supper, it was decided to meet next month at the Tranbarger home in Weidman. Several new members recently have joined the club, and Walter J. Smith, president, urges that all members be present at the next meeting, at which time some most important decisions will be made.

Santa Will Be Here Friday Night For Kids' Party



Santa Claus will be in Weidman this Friday evening, Dec. 23, at 8 o'clock, for his annual Christmas party for the kids of this area.

Everybody's invited to come and meet Santa, talk with him, and all kids will get Christmas bags of candy and peanuts from the jolly old fellow.

The party will take place beneath the Christmas tree under the canopy in front of McClain's Garage, the time-honored place for Santa's merry time with the youngsters.

So--plan your last-minute shopping in Weidman this Friday evening, Dec. 23, and let the children attend Santa's party as you shop in Weidman stores. All stores will be open Friday evening for your convenience. And remember, there's a big weekend coming up, so don't forget the groceries.

Shook's Store will close at 6 p. m. Saturday night, Middleworth's probably around 8, and the rest of the business places will close at their usual times Saturday night, which is to say, their usual weekday times. Most places will be closed at 5 or 6 o'clock Saturday night. Friday night is the big one, with stores open for your convenience.

Come to town, then, Friday night for last-minute shopping and the children's party with Santa.

Dillenbeck's Drug Store will be closed all day Sunday, Christmas Day.

HOME PAPER
FOR THE WEST HALF
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OFFICE HOURS

The Messenger office hours are as follows, through the week:
Monday and Tuesday, 9 a. m. to 5 p. m.; closed Wednesday morning, open Wednesday afternoon; closed all day Thursday. Open 9 to 5 Friday and Saturday.

NOTICE

I will accept tax money at the Weidman Bank during December, at any time during banking hours, any day in the week except Sunday. Mitchell McArthur
Treasurer, Sherman Twp.
Dec. 8t4

NOTICE

I will be at the Weidman State Bank Saturday, December 10, and every Saturday through January 20, to collect taxes. In Beal City at Tilmann's Hardware, Tuesday, December 13, and every Tuesday through January 20. Bill Fox, Treasurer, Nottawa Twp.
Dec. 8t5p

FOR SALE-- Three purebred cocker spaniel puppies, four months old. Ed Cook, five miles southwest of Weidman, Phone Weidman 2490.
Dec. 22t3p

FOR SALE-- Good used lumber from the Fisher Hardware Bldg. main corner in Weidman. Mostly fine maple and hardwood flooring. Excellent quality. Place your order now, for this won't last long. Wiley Sinclair Service, phone Weidman 2191.
Dec. 22t2

FOR SALE--CEMETERY WREATHS, Crosses, hearts, sprays, from \$2.75 up. Styrofoam base,

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FOR SALE--Used Accordion. Good condition. \$65.00. Fay Forbes, Lake. Phone Weidman 2376.
Dec. 22t2

CARD OF THANKS

I wish to thank the many friends, relatives and neighbors for their flowers, plants, cards, and baked goods sent or brought since I've been under the weather. It's all much appreciated.

Florence Straus.

North Brinton

Mrs. F. Sisco, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Navarre and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sisco were Mt. Pleasant shoppers Friday, and Frank visited the dentist and had all of his teeth pulled.

Eunice Lalone called on Mr. and Mrs. Whaley Sunday. Edna Teeter washed for Mrs. Whaley Monday.

Lee Navarre called on his uncle, Frank Sisco, Saturday.

Joe Tower called at the Fred Whaley home Saturday.

We wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Brown and sons and Eathyl Andrews visited Mr. and Mrs. F. Sisco Saturday evening.

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Local Items

Sunday dinner guests at the W. A. Appelgreen home were Mr. and Mrs. Vance Wood and family and Donald Appelgreen and Tommy.
Geraldine, Linda and Harry Dent spent from Thursday until Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Leo Wood,

while their parents were in Lansing.

Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Loomis and boys of Lansing spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Thorp.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Powell and family and Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Johnson and family were a week ago Sunday visitors at the Charles Johnson home.

A Merry Christmas AND Happy New Year

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Mrs. Helen Alwood, Reporter

Mrs. Miles Drallette called on Amelia Wieber Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Chris Fussman went to Detroit Sunday to get Mary Lou, who is a nurse in St. Mary's hospital there. Mary Lou has two weeks' vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Fussman and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Fox went to Grand Rapids Sunday to get Melvin Fox and Larry Fussman, who have a weeks' vacation from the Seminary.

Leo Wieber is doing Don Sheahan's chores. Don hurt his ankle two weeks ago, in the barn.

Sylvester Dole and Rob Martin spent last week Tuesday and Wednesday with Oscar Fedewa and Pete Martin, at Oscar's cottage at Houghton Lake.

Little Della Mathews is staying

with her aunt, Mrs. Miles Drallette, for a few days.

Rob Martin of Mt. Pleasant was a Sunday afternoon caller of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Wawersik.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Schafer entertained the Town and Country Club last Sunday evening. Cards were played and prizes won by the following: Al Clevenger and Mrs. Paul Schafer winning high, Paul Schafer and Mrs. Thelma Kolarik winning second high and Howard Kolarik winning pepper prize. Mrs. Schafer served a delicious lunch. The next club will be at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Theisen.

Mrs. Margaret Smith returned home Saturday after spending the past three weeks visiting relatives in Mt. Pleasant.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Smith entertained the Twenty-Grand Club Sunday evening. Cards were played and nice prizes were won. They also had a gift exchange for Christmas.

Mrs. Don Alwood and Jimmy called on Fred and Kate Smith Monday afternoon.

Miss Margaret Ann Theisen returned home Saturday from the Ingham Chest Hospital in Lansing. Margaret is feeling fine only will need plenty of rest yet. We are glad you are home, Margie. This will be a happier Christmas for you than last year at this time.

Mrs. Ida Smith spent Tuesday with Mrs. Margaret Smith. Mrs. Barbara Kaninsky and Bobby called on Mrs. Helen Alwood Thursday forenoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Nick Breuer of Winn called on his brothers, Matt and Joe Breuer, and their wives Sunday.

Misses Carol and Mary Burman spent Sunday at the Earl Burman home.

Johnny and David Tilmann attended a birthday party Sunday afternoon at the Jerry Fox home in Mt. Pleasant. It was their son, Jimmy's, 5th birthday. There were eleven guests to help Jimmy celebrate his special day. A lovely lunch of ice cream and birthday cake was served. Jimmy received many nice gifts.

We all want to wish Mrs. Jennie Young a Merry Christmas at the Cook's Rest Home in Ionia. We hope her family will be with her and everyone has a lovely dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Rupp left Saturday to spend the holidays with their daughter, and family, Mr. and Mrs. John Spiess in Missouri.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Burman entertained their club Sunday evening. Pepper was played and nice prizes won. Wally Johnston and Mrs. Blanche Schafer won high prize, Arnold Halfman and Mrs. Lillian Johnston won low and Jack Cotter won pepper prize. A lovely lunch was served by Mrs. Burman. The next club will be at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Halfman.



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Mrs. Clayton Dutcher, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Van Syckle were dinner guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Cornell, and Betty last week.

Oren Leiter went to Ann Arbor for his check up Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Leiter called on Mr. and Mrs. Oren Leiter and family Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Orrie Merrihew went to Battle Creek Sunday to see their son, Orville. Merle Fullerton did their chores for them while they were gone.

Mr. and Mrs. William Cornell called on Mr. and Mrs. Elwin Beckwith at Chippewa Lake Sunday.

Theron and Donnie Merrihew

called on Mr. and Mrs. George Merrihew Sunday afternoon. Mrs. Pearl Martin was a caller also, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Gaudard, Chuckie and Jacklyn and Stevie Dutcher were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher Monday. Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher, Jr., and Brian were supper guests.

Mr. Robert Cassabaum and son Michael, of Columbus Junction, Iowa, came to spend the holidays with his wife, Betty and son, who are spending the winter with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Cornell.

Barbara Dell got word that her younger sister is in the hospital with pneumonia.

Mrs. Verna Cornell spent Monday with her folks, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Cummins.

George Woodin was a Sunday

p. m. caller at the Ervin Dutcher, Jr., home.

Jimmy Wagner spent Friday after school playing with Brian Dutcher.

Leo Embrey called on his folks, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Embrey, Thursday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Chaffee and family called on Mr. and Mrs. George Merrihew Sunday evening, after attending the Cantata at the Weidman Church.

Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher and Mrs. Ronna Dutcher were Mt. Pleasant shoppers Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Yunker, Debbie and Denice were callers of Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Dutcher on Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Dutcher and boys were Mt. Pleasant shoppers Saturday.

E. Coldwater

Mrs. George Skinner, Reporter

Mrs. Earl Blodgett is working in Mt. Pleasant.

Mrs. Frances Beck and Mrs. Opal Gower were shopping in Mt. Pleasant on Thursday.

Emily Geasler has been absent from school on account of sickness.

Mrs. Lillie Wright went to Vestaburg on Tuesday to see Almon Spencer. He is at the home of his daughter, and is still in a cast and will be laid up for some time. Any one wishing to send him a card can mail it to him in care of Warner Pratt, Route #1, Vestaburg, Michigan.

Mrs. William Estes and Cora Estes attended the Good Luck C. at Lake on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Hamilton of Mt. Pleasant visited at the George Hamilton home on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Geasler spent Sunday, December 4, in Grand Rapids.

There was a pink and blue shower at the home of Mrs. Ralph Geasler on Friday night for Mrs. Bonnie Hider of Grand Rapids.

Mr. and Mrs. James Pitts visited at the George Skinner home on Sunday.

Charles Blesch called on Ward Loomis on Tuesday.

Mrs. Bessie Forbes visited her daughter in Drew last week a few days.

Mrs. Cora Estes, Mrs. Bessie Holmes and Mrs. Clayton Sloan were shopping in Mt. Pleasant on Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Hider of Grand Rapids visited at the Leeland Forbes home on Sunday.

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Local Items

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Wood of Bay City spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Leo Wood.

Mrs. Nellie Thompson called Thursday evening at the Leo Wood home.

Marilyn Seil spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Robert Kaninsky. John Gross was a visitor over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Appelgreen and family of Lansing spent Friday and Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Appelgreen.

Mrs. Catherine Rice, sister of Fred Snyder, passed away at Miami, Florida, December 16. The funeral was Monday.

Walter J. Smith was a Friday supper guest of Mr. and Mrs. Don Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Smith and Joyce called on Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Gambel of Barryton Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Gary Sprague and children of Diamond Lake called on Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Sprague Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Sprague called on Mrs. Elwood Miller at Sherman City Saturday afternoon.

THE Idle Hour Bar

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Wishes Its
Friends



Merry Christmas

And

Happy New Year

DOC AND LILLIAN BRUDER

Around Horr

JESSIE ROSENCRANTZ, Reporter

Merry Christmas, everyone.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Losey and family and Mr. and Mrs. Theron Merrihew were Sunday dinner guests of their folks, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Losey.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Scharrer of Weidman were Wednesday supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Sterling Oplinger.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Nutt of Big Rapids were Wednesday callers of Mrs. Mary Nutt and Mrs. Maude Wagenman.

Mr. and Mrs. Vance Wood and family attended the Sohio Christmas party at the American Legion hall in Barryton Saturday evening.

Mr. Donald Appelgreen and Tommy of Mt. Pleasant called on Mr. and Mrs. Vance Wood Sunday p. m.

Mr. and Mrs. Willard Ferguson of Alma were Saturday callers at the Ted Nutt home. Harold Branson and Martha were Sunday callers.

Mrs. Flora Wood and Mrs. Grace Heckart attended the parade in Mt. Pleasant Friday and did some shopping.

Mr. and Mrs. Sterling Oplinger spent Thursday with Mrs. Oplinger's sister in Mason and two of Mrs. Oplinger's nephews, Larry Abell, and Lloyd Tash of California were also guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Branson and Martha called on Mrs. Mary Nutt and Mr. and Mrs. Ted Nutt Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Lawrence and Garth visited Mr. and Mrs. Merle Scott of Evert Sunday p. m. and also called at the Charlie Knable home, also at Evert.

Mrs. Mabel Dent called on Mrs. Iola Miller last Tuesday p. m. Mrs. Miller had just come home from the hospital.

Mr. Raymond Rein was a Friday supper guest of his sister, Mrs. Alva Cummins and Alva.

Mrs. Roy Cummins of Farwell had the misfortune to break her wrist last Tuesday. Both bones were broken and one was badly splintered.

Mr. and Mrs. Mack Lovell of Big Rapids called on his sister, Mrs. Mack Denslow and family Sunday p. m.

Mrs. Mabel Dent spent Thursday and Friday in Lansing.

Mrs. Ella Denslow and the Gerald Denslow family and Red Denslow and Beverly Loomis were Thursday evening callers at the Mack Denslow home.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Miller were Remus and Blanchard shoppers Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Losey called Sunday evening on Mr.

and Mrs. Alva Cummins.

Mrs. Leonard Denslow is caring for Mrs. Brownell's children while she works.

Evelyn, Geraline, Linda and Harry Dent were Mt. Pleasant shoppers Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Smith and Vera and Roy Cummins were Saturday p. m. callers of Mr. and Mrs. Alva Cummins.

Mr. and Mrs. Jay Denslow called at the Russell Williams home Sunday and found they had taken their son to Traverse City to see a specialist. The child is not expected to live.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Nutt and family were Sunday callers of his mother, Mrs. Mary Nutt and grandmother, Mrs. Elsie Benn.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Maeder were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Oplinger.

Eleanor Dent spent Monday night of last week with Linda Dent.

Gerald Dent and Evelyn spent the weekend at home, from their work in Lansing.

Jim Branson and a friend from Flint visited at the Mack Denslow home and did some hunting Saturday.

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MISSIONARY SOCIETY MEETS WITH MRS. YOUNG

Mrs. Lewis Young was hostess to the Missionary Society of the Forest Hill Church of God on Thursday p. m.

All joined in singing Christmas carols, Rev. Mary House read the Christmas Story from Luke, prayer was offered by Mrs. Leo Wood. Roll call was responded to by readings. Gifts were exchanged and secret pals were revealed, new names were drawn for another year.

It was decided to help two less fortunate families. The January meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Ott Young.

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TOMAHAWK CONFERENCE STANDINGS

	won	lost
Harrison	3	0
Evert	3	1
Barryton	2	1
Marion	2	2
Farwell	1	2
Coleman	1	3
Beal City	0	3

BEAL CITY LOSES TWO CONFERENCE GAMES

On Tuesday, December 13, Beal City traveled to Marion to play the Marion Aggies. The Aggies came out on the short end of a 60-48 ball game. Fouling; cost the Aggies, the Marion team made good on 20 of 30 free throw attempts. Both teams scored 20 field goals. Bob Lyon led Beal City for the third week in a row with 12 points.

In the reserve game, the Aggies went down to their first defeat by a score of 63-52. "Butch" McCann, son of the Marion reserve team's coach, made 25 points for Marion. Terry Kavanaugh led Beal City with 17.

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AGGIES LOSE CLOSE ONE TO EVART 50-44

Beal City played Evert last Friday, and was nosed out, 50-44. In the last half the Aggies came to life and pulled into a tie at the beginning of the fourth quarter, only to lose out when Evert scored three quick baskets with less than three minutes to play. Bob Lyon had 17 points for Beal City, and Dick Schafer pumped in 11.

In the reserve game, a good Evert five outshot the Little Aggies by a score of 49-36. Scoring for Evert was evenly divided, while Dick Paisley led Beal City with 13 points.

Merry Christmas



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Beal City News

VADA TILMANN, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Schafer entertained the members of the Town and Country Club Sunday evening. Cards were played.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Block and sons, Carol Horan and Howard Breuer were guests of Miss Margaret Gross at a pre-Christmas supper. Gifts were exchanged and everyone had a delightful time.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Pung entertained the Rhum Bunch Wednesday evening. Cards were played with Mrs. Will Pung receiving low prize and Mrs. Effie Schafer first score.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Smith entertained the members of the Town Twelve Club Sunday evening. Christmas gifts were exchanged. Cards were played with Mrs. LaVerne Schafer received first prize and Mrs. Allen Tilmann received low score. A delicious lunch was served.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Pung, Mr. and Mrs. Tony Schafer, Mrs. Will Pung and Mrs. Louise Smith attended the funeral of their aunt, Mrs. Theresa Schafer, in Pewamo Friday morning. Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Schafer, Mrs. Louise Schafer and Churn Schafer also attended the funeral.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Tilmann entertained the members of the

Peppy Seven Club Saturday evening. Christmas gifts were exchanged. Cards were played with Mrs. Harry Pung and Matt Engler having high score, Mrs. Matt Engler and Harry Pung were low. Pepper prize was won by Herman Kreminsreiter. Lunch was served.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Tilmann took his folks, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Tilmann, to Detroit Thursday to spend a few days with Carl Tilmann.

Mrs. Rose Schafer and Mrs. LaVerne Schafer motored to Reed City.

Mr. and Mrs. Willard Thelen called on Mr. and Mrs. Bob Pung Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Tilmann and Mr. and Mrs. Allen Tilmann called on Mr. and Mrs. Harry Pung Tuesday evening.

Mrs. Erma Thelen spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Chris Fussman.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Pung, Mr. and Mrs. Louie Simmer and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Schafer called on Mr. and Mrs. Herb Straus Thursday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. LaVerne Schafer attended the Coca Cola Christmas party in Mt. Pleasant Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Pung enjoyed supper Monday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Allen Tilmann.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Pung and family called on Mr. and Mrs. Will Pung Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Smith entertained the members of the Twenty-Grand Club Sunday evening. 500 was played and Christmas gifts exchanged.

Sunday callers at the Frank Berg home were Mr. and Mrs. Will Lawens of Mt. Pleasant, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Zuker and Helen, Mr. and Mrs. Royal Massey and Gerald Smith and Mrs. William Wilcox of Weidman.

Mr. and Mrs. Royal Massey and family of Mt. Pleasant have moved to the Frank Schafer house on the Weidman road.

Miss Dora Smith called on Mrs. Eileen Dangler Sunday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Polly Courtright and family called on Mr. and Mrs. Bill Tilmann Sunday afternoon.

Larry Fussman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Fussman, and Melvin Fox, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Fox, are home for a two weeks'

Christmas vacation from the Seminary at Grand Rapids.

Mr. and Mrs. Royal Massey and family called on Mr. and Mrs. Berg Friday evening.

Mrs. Anna Kornexl of Birmingham is spending a few weeks at home.

John Romas was buried Saturday at New Bavaria, Ohio.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Schafer spent Sunday at the Tony Schafer

home.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Schafer and Mr. and Mrs. Tony Schafer spent Saturday evening at the Bob Schafer home.

Mrs. Bill Bleise had a quilting Wednesday afternoon.

Lucille Zeien called on Miss Dora Smith Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. John Gross entertained the Christmas Club Thursday afternoon.

Margaret Theisen came home to stay from the Sanitarium in Lansing. She is coming along fine but must have plenty of rest.

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BEAL CITY CHRISTMAS VACATION STARTS FRIDAY

The Christmas recess will begin Friday, December 23, at noon. The vacation will extend until Monday, January 2. Classes will resume Monday morning, January 2. A program will be presented by the Student Council Friday morning. At the present time the students are getting the rooms decorated.

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AUNT AND UNCLE OF EVA MIDDLESWORTH KILLED IN ACCIDENT

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Middlesworth drove to Davison, Michigan, Thursday to attend the funeral of Mrs. Middlesworth's uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. John Bright, (Amy Floria) who were killed in an auto accident Sunday, near their home.

Merry

Christmas

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North Broomfield

Maycie Cook, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Bud Gummer and children spent last Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Bob Cook.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Armock of Grand Rapids spent Wednesday with Mrs. Nettie Crowley.

Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Hines of Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri, have announced the arrival of a baby boy, born December 12, Jeffery Lynn, 8 lbs. 4 ozs.

Mr. and Mrs. Emil Rhode and Mr. and Mrs. Will Fritz had Sunday dinner at the Hotel Dougherty in Clare, in honor of both couples' 38th wedding anniversary. They spent the evening at the Fritz home.

Mr. and Mrs. Emil Lueder spent Thursday in Grand Rapids.

Mr. and Mrs. Bud Hines spent Sunday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Bob Fanning.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hines of Remus and Gerald Hines spent

Sunday evening with Will Nicholson.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Lueder entertained Saturday evening at a pre-Christmas turkey dinner, all of the Lueder family, brothers and sisters and families. Christmas gifts were exchanged.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Fanning shopped in Lansing Thursday.

Elsie Richardson spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Bob Cook helping Sandra celebrate her first birthday.

All the children and families of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Cook came home Sunday to remind him of his birthday. A lovely dinner was served. In the evening Mr. and Mrs. Ted Cook, Mr. and Mrs. Francis Mead, Mr. and Mrs. Will Cook and Nettie Crowley called to visit them.

Maynard Strong spent the first of last week in Chicago represent-

ing the Junior Farm Bureau.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Lueder of Saginaw spent Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. Emil Lueder. They also called on grandmother Leinaar and Mrs. Tena Lueder of Millbrook, who has been very ill the past week.

Mrs. Mary Cook, who has been in the Clare hospital for the past week, is some improved and hopes to be back at the Lathams' in Remus for Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Stilgenbauer were Tuesday evening dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Glen Stilgenbauer in Shepherd in honor of the Glen Stilgenbauer's 49th wedding anniversary.

Mrs. Helen Bigelow and Mr. and Mrs. Glen Stilgenbauer spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Ray Stilgenbauer.

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Local Items

Mrs. Nina Forbes and son, Elton Brien, and daughter Diane were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Schultz.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Ohls called on their son, Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Ohls, at Mt. Pleasant one day last week.

Bill Sell and Mary Maloney of Clare spent Sunday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Robert Kaninsky.

Rev. Mary House of Rosebush called at the Leo Wood home Thursday. Mrs. Wood and Rev. Mary House attended the Missionary meeting at Louis Young's near Remus.

Mr. and Mrs. Wright were Sunday callers at the Bill Ohls home.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Smith spent Sunday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Ted Smith and Roger.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernie Aubin of Flint spent the weekend with Mr. Wm. Higbee.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Creed of Mt. Pleasant were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Scharrer.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Ohls called on Mr. and Mrs. Craft of Remus last week.

Ray Kirvan of Big Rapids called on Mr. and Mrs. Leo Wood Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Wilson and Mrs. Ron Kennedy called on Mrs. Nina Forbes Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Baxter attended a dinner at the Park Hotel in St. Louis Sunday, for the employees and their wives of the Log Cabin Record Shop.

Mr. and Mrs. Blaine Stansell were Sunday dinner guests of her father, Bill Cahill.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Beutler were Sunday dinner guests of Dr. and Mrs. Clark.

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Calendar of
Coming Events

- Dec. 22nd - Rebekahs Christmas party.
- Dec. 22nd - Children's Sunday School program, 8 o'clock. Everyone is invited.
- Dec. 23rd - Program at the Hor Church of God. Everyone welcome.
- Dec. 25th - Children's Christmas program at the Broomfield Lutheran Church. All are welcome to attend.
- Dec. 28th - Special Meeting of the Eastern Stars. School of instruction. Pot-luck dinner will be at 6 o'clock.
- Jan. 4th - Regular OES meeting with initiation, 8 o'clock.



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Be so lasting and true
They'll brighten the
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Legal Notice

ORDER FOR PUBLICATION
PROBATE OF WILL
STATE OF MICHIGAN
The Probate Court for the County of Isabella.
At a session of said Court, held at the Probate Office, in the City of Mt. Pleasant in said County, on the 28th day of November, 1955.

Present, Honorable Walter S. Horn, Judge of Probate.
In the matter of the Estate of Susan Terry, Deceased.
Safford R. Terry, having filed his petition, praying that an instrument filed in said Court be admitted to Probate as the last will and testament of said deceased and that administration of said estate be granted to Safford R. Terry or some other suitable person.

It is Ordered, That said 30th day of December, 1955, at 10:00 A. M. at said Probate Office is hereby appointed for hearing said petition.

It is Further Ordered, That public notice thereof be given by publication of a copy of this order, once in each week, for three weeks consecutively, previous to said day of hearing, in the Weidman Messenger, a newspaper printed and circulated in said County.

WALTER S. HORN,
Judge of Probate.

A true copy.
Leona Schafer,
Deputy Register of Probate.

Dec. 8

Two Rivers

Mrs. Blanche Carr, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. George Sansote called on her mother and sister, Mrs. A. E. Sheldon, and Mrs. Lewis Sheldon of Shepherd Sunday.

Thursday afternoon Mrs. Iva Wilkinson and son, Mike, visited her aunt, Mrs. Minnie Flaughter.

Mr. and Mrs. Orval Bunting spent the weekend at the Elton and Olin Bunting and the Dalton Rayborn homes in Belding.

Mr. and Mrs. John Bunting and family spent Sunday evening at the Oral Bunting home.

Mrs. Theresa Bunting, Mrs. Bertha Ege and Mrs. Bernice Swan visited Mrs. Rose Ege at the Gladwin nursing home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Courser and Mr. and Mrs. Blaine Stansell spent Saturday evening at the Clifford Johnson home in Mill-

brook. They showed colored slides of the mock wedding taken on their 25th wedding anniversary.

Mr. and Mrs. Duane Stansell and baby and Mr. and Mrs. Ted Iciek of Grand Rapids were Saturday guests at the Blaine Stansell home.

Mr. and Mrs. Blaine Stansell were Sunday dinner guests of Bill Cahill in Weidman.

Mrs. Elton Carr and Dalton visited Tuesday evening at the Donald Swan home.

Mr. and Mrs. Elton Carr spent Sunday afternoon at the Ernest Failing home.

The CMB Club had their Christmas party Thursday with Mrs. Glen Smiley as hostess. A good crowd was in attendance and everyone had a fine time.

George Campbell of Talmor, Alaska, is visiting his sister, Mrs. Chris Larson, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Larson and

children of Saginaw spent Sunday at the Chris Larson home.

Norman Carr called home from Florida, where he was on leave last weekend. He will be in the Bahama Islands until about April.

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BIRTHDAY CLUB MEETS WITH MRS. HELEN FLOWER

The Birthday Club met last Thursday evening at the home of Mrs. Helen Flower, with 13 ladies present. Jean McArthur was co-hostess with Helen.

Pepper was played, with Mrs. Harriet Dillenbeck winning both the pepper prize and high score, and Mrs. Beulah Scott winning low prize.

Gifts were exchanged and secrets were revealed, new names were drawn for another year.

A lovely lunch was served and everyone had a wonderful time.

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CARD OF THANKS

I wish to thank all those who assisted in any way to keep our library running by the rummage and bake sales the past two years, and especially thank the Middleworth and Shook stores for their many gifts of new clothing which helped to make our sales successful the past summer. Also thank Florence Smith for her assistance through my busiest days, and to Jennie and R. D. Sprague for hauling books from and to the Post Office dozens of times and the use of their car for many other things and Edna Mills for fine gifts of money from time to time.

Bessie Teall
Retiring Librarian

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Best Wishes



FOR THE HOLIDAY SEASON



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JENNIE LYNN FLOWER IS FOUR YEARS OLD

Jennie Lynn Flower observed her 4th birthday Tuesday by entertaining a number of her little friends at a party. Those present were: Larry Vandlen, Barb and Jennie Lou Esch, Sherry and Brian Wood, Melanie McClain and Linda Sue McArthur. Mrs. Lois Hines and Mrs. Jean McArthur helped Mrs. Flower with the party. Cake, ice cream and chocolate milk was served. Jennie received many nice gifts.

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SURPRISE BIRTHDAY PARTY

A surprise birthday party was held Sunday evening for Mrs. Harold Branson and Bob Branson. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Orval Branson and baby, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Branson of Lansing and Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Schafer of Mt. Pleasant. A chicken supper was served and they received many nice gifts.

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THAN A LETTER
WEIDMAN MESSENGER

Local Items

Mr. Orval Branson of Middleton came up Saturday to take his mother, Mrs. Bessie Abbott, home with him for Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Schultz were Clare shoppers Wednesday afternoon.

Dee Taylor of Bentley spent Friday and Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Ray Shook and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Gary Sprague and family of Diamond Lake and Mr. Harlan Sprague of Mt. Pleasant were Sunday callers at the A. L. Sprague home. Mr. and Mrs. Duane Mercer and baby called Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Cole and daughter of Midland were Sunday visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fey Middlesworth.

Mrs. Frank Gute of Owosso spent a couple of days last week with Mr. and Mrs. Fey Middlesworth.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Parks called on Almon Spencer at Vestaburg last week. He is doing nicely and will have the cast removed a week from Wednesday.

HAVE THOSE SCHOOL CLOTHES

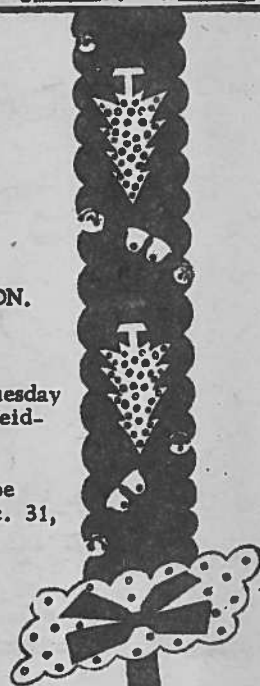
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AND THOSE SCHOOL SHOES

REPAIRED

DURING THE HOLIDAY VACATION.

Clothes and shoes can be picked up Tuesday Morning, Dec. 27, and delivered in Weidman Friday, Dec. 30. Clothes can be brought into the shop as late as 10.00 a. m. Friday, Dec. 30, and they will be ready for you Saturday, afternoon, Dec. 31, for that big NEW YEAR'S PARTY.



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MR. AND MRS. HENRY COOK of Nottawa, who observed their Golden Wedding Anniversary October 25. Mr. and Mrs. Cook are old residents of our area, and many friends and relatives came to wish them many happy returns of the day.



Merry Christmas!
 May it hold much
 to make you glad!
Happy New Year!
 May it be the best
 you've ever had!

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Letson's Corners
 MRS. TENA VOSS, Reporter

Born on December 3, a son to Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Singleton of Goldsboro, Texas. They have named him Michael Chris.

Allen Navarre has purchased ten head of young cattle for his farm.

Not much news this week as everyone is busy getting ready for Christmas and what a thrill Christmas is, such a happy time. Wishing you all a happy Christmas and a glorious New Year.

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PINE GROVE TABERNACLE PROGRAM SUNDAY NIGHT

The Pine Grove Tabernacle, located 3-1/2 miles north of Remus on M-66, will present its Sunday School Christmas program Sunday evening, December 25, at 8 p. m.

Mrs. Carl Smith, who wrote the two plays and compiled the program which will be presented, is directing the program. The public is invited to attend.

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LOCAL ITEMS

The Grand Marshall of the Masonic Lodge of Michigan was the installing officer for the Wauben Lodge of Mt. Pleasant and the James A. Cliff Lodge of Weidman.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Pierce of Pontiac spent the weekend, a week ago, with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Johnson.

Miles Drallette has been a patient in the Clare hospital the past two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Johnson, Jr., are the proud parents of a baby boy, born December 13, at the CMC hospital, weighed 5 lbs. 11 ozs.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Smith of Remus were Sunday dinner guests of Rev. and Mrs. Arlo Vandlen and family.

Rev. and Mrs. Arlo Vandlen entertained the choir at their home after the Cantata Sunday evening.

Sunday afternoon callers at the W. A. Appelgreen home were Mr. and Mrs. Carl Martin and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Branson called on her mother, Mrs. Mary Nutt Saturday. They also called on Hiram Nutt.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Carrick and family, Mr. and Mrs. David Flower and family, Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Reed and Mr. and Mrs. Don Lentz and family of St. Louis were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Leon Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. David Flower and children spent Saturday evening with Mr. and Mrs. John Showalter of Mt. Pleasant.

Shop in Weidman Friday evening, December 23, and bring the kiddies for Santa's party.

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