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Mrs. Don Scholz (left) and Miss Inge Goede of Hamburg, Germany.

PRETTY GERMAN GIRL VISITS FRIENDS HERE

Miss Inge Goede of Hamburg, Germany, spent a July weekend at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Miller. Miss Goede was a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Don Scholz of Pontiac, and they all came up for a short visit to Weidman. Miss Goede had been in America since June 12, visiting first in New York, then coming on to her Pontiac friends' home.

She is a bookkeeper in the Hamburg post office, where she saw names of Americans wishing to correspond with German folks. Don works in the Pontiac post office, and Mr. and Mrs. Scholz and Miss Goede began writing letters two years ago.

She is 26, very pretty, and has a fine personality and good sense

of humor, which we enjoyed very much on her visit to the Messenger.

She lives in Hamburg with her parents and family, in a house that boasted eight rooms before the war, and now has been restored to a three-room dwelling.

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HONORED AT BIRTHDAY PARTY AT LAKE COTTAGE

Mrs. Gladys McArthur and Mrs. Eva Carr were guests of honor at a birthday picnic supper at the cottage of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald McArthur at Eight Point Lake a week ago Friday evening.

Present, besides the guests of honor and Leon, were Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell McArthur and family, Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Pitts and family, and Junior McArthur.

Editor's Mail

Dear Connie:

What's all the excitement about having Weidman Day in the park or on the street next year?

I can't see any comparison, as the park is so much larger, cleaner, and more comfortable, and you can look across and see so many more folks you know than if

it's on the street with rides and booths and junky carnival stuff blocking your view.

Hope the Weidman Business Association considers both sides before next year.

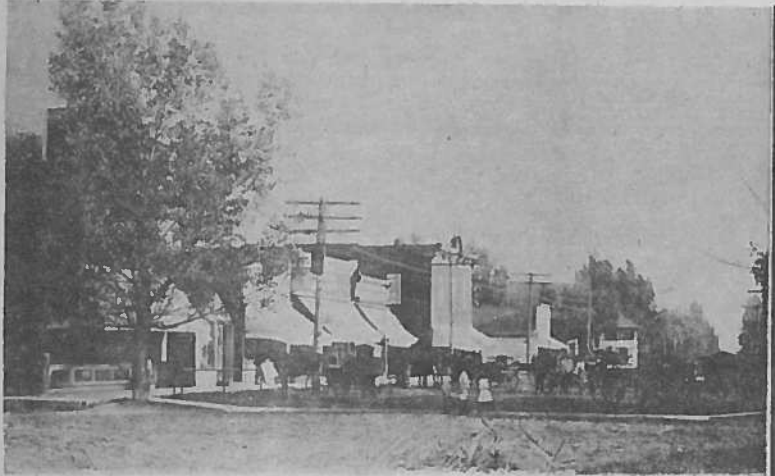
Also congratulations on their home-fixed amusements for this year. Let's have more of them!

A Messenger Reader.



MR. AND MRS. WILLIAM TANNER look over the "money tree" which was a gift of the Henry Simmer family. Mr. and Mrs. Tanner observed their Golden Wedding anniversary July 3, holding open house. They enjoyed the congratulations and best wishes of their many friends, and received many nice gifts. They have lived in the same neighborhood in Gilmore for the past 49 years.

In Weidman and Beal City—Echoes of the Old Days . . .



Weidman's street in 1914. From a post card sent to Charles Roe by his brother Robert. Looking south from north of Woolworth's Harness Shop to center cross street where stood the band stand.



Beal City's street, believed to be about the same time, 1914. Looking south. From a post card brought to the Messenger office by Mrs. Amelia Wieber.

LOCAL ITEMS

Floyd Dutcher and son, Ray, and Mrs. Ann Pennington expect to move very soon to the County Convalescent Hospital, where Floyd has a job as janitor.

Dr. and Mrs. Lloyd Young (Beverly Glover) and three children of Cleveland, O., were overnight guests at the Roe home Sunday, leaving for home just before noon Labor Day. Beverly is the daughter of Winifred Roe Glover.

Mrs. Beulah Barnum of Jackson visited at the Dr. J. H. Clark home last week Monday. She was on her way to Interlochen.

Mr. and Mrs. Pat Hathaway of Rosebush, Mrs. Russell Wilson and Nina Forbes and Alton Brien spent a week ago Friday night with Mr. and Mrs. Arlin Summers of near Lansing. On Saturday, all except Arlin, and Mr. and Mrs. Richard A. Summers attended the wedding of Gerald L. Linebaugh and Miss Dorothy Ann Ward, held at Our Lady of the Lakes Church at Waterford. A reception followed at the bride's home, that of Mr. and Mrs. Sydney Ward, near Waterford.



WEIDMAN LODGE

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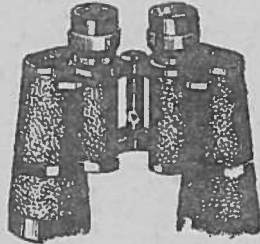
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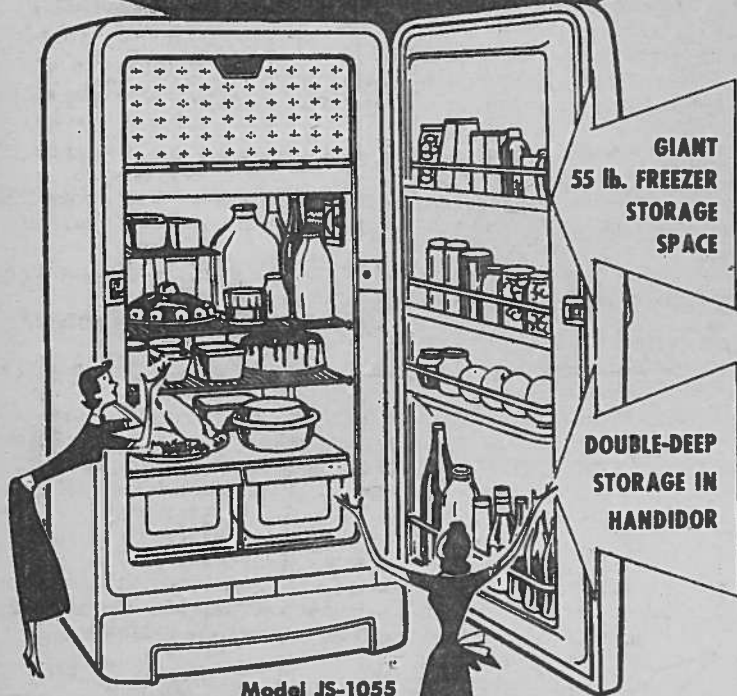
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We know we are fortunate to have had an instructor
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And appreciate her help in every way.

Some of the lessons were a nightmarish dream
Of false teeth and bedpans and tents made for steam.
We've learned to shake a wicked hip
As we grasp our JANE with a deathlike grip.

'Twould well surprise old Sammy Kaye
To see how we girls can swing and sway!
We always think of those football guys
As we grab our DEAR JANE and utter sighs,
Adjust our position and get set to lift
On the good old signal 1-2-3 shift!

We think the time we enjoyed the best
Was the day Emma Middlesworth thought she'd take a rest.
She climbed into bed and said she'd be
On the business end of our 1-2-3.

We were just as delighted as we could be
And we walked right with a fiendish glee;
All of us stood by the bed in a line,
Each determined to give her a very rough time.
We pushed her and shoved her with our unskilled touch,
She found out what we know. It wasn't much.

We heaved her up and we hauled her back
With a vigor that made her poor bones crack.
We rolled her over and knocked her around
With intent and ambition most profound
To gain for ourselves that added thrill
Of knowing we'd conquered one more skill.

She was patient, though, as were all the others
And we'll leave this class with real remorse.
We've enjoyed our work with our instructor,
Mrs. Bandeen was a real conductor.
Our poetry is clumsy, but most sincere.
We've learned things we'll remember for many a year.
Signed, Weidman Red Cross Home Nursing Class
August, 1955.

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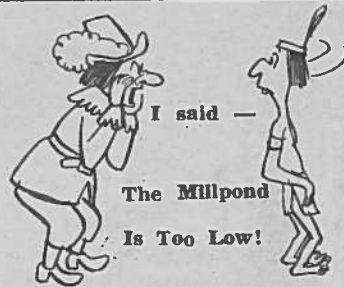
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FLYER DISCOVERS FIRE ON FARM

When fire threatened pasture and woods land on the Clayton Smith farm last Tuesday, it was discovered by Francis Blodgett, who happened to fly over the area in his private plane.

Francis flew over the bean field on the Jerry Dent farm, dipping his wings to get workers' attention. When Jerry and Mabel Dent noticed him, and saw him wave toward the Smith farm, they also saw the smoke, and immediately ran over to the Smith place, taking their bean pickers with them.

All fought the flames, in grass and wooded areas, getting them pretty well under control by the time an alarm had been turned in and the Weidman Fire Department arrived.

Jerry Dent, one of the Central Michigan green bean growers for the big canning companies, was short on his bean load that night, but all agreed it was worth it, to save the Smith farm from fire.

Cause of the blaze was not determined, as the place is unoccupied.

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YOUNG FOLKS LIKE IT IN GERMANY

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Thorp have received letters from their daughter, Geraldine Schumacher, telling how she and her husband are enjoying their stay in Germany while Don is doing his continental stint as Sergeant in the Armed Forces.

The Schumachers have a nice small apartment, near Don's work. Geraldine says the flowers are very beautiful in Germany.

They expect to enjoy a 10-day trip to Italy in September. "We're having a wonderful time," she wrote.

In the Editor's Mail

Dear Connie:

Am sending some money for more Messenger. I like a lot, boy. Thanks so much for sending it. In case you're busy (haw!) I'll give you the expiration date.

I didn't forget to renew, but have just been too busy to go to town or hike to the mail box. Thanks a jillion.

Mrs. Lloyd Leiter, Weidman

Two Rivers Reunion

August, 1955

By Mrs. Sarah Howell

The Two Rivers School reunion is the place where old friends meet. We talk about the bygone days, and it really is a treat. Some travel many miles from places far away To talk about the good old days and the one-horse shay.

The old schoolhouse still stands erect, but it's changed since days of old.

Instead of sheltering children, it shelters sheep, I'm told. Consolidation may be fine, but it makes me sad to see The sheep a-grazing on the lawn where children used to be.

We are several generations as we mingle here once more, But the feeling here is friendly as we talk of days of yore. We have one big thing in common, it's the old Two Rivers School Where we studied all our lessons, and learned the Golden Rule.

Our teachers had their hands full, but they taught us many things. Each of us was a problem, and none of us had wings. We learned reading, writing and arithmetic and other things, you know, There was spelling, history and geography to set our minds aglow.

We put on plays at Christmas time, that told the story rare Of a loving Saviour come to earth that he might our burdens share. We told the story of His birth and sang the hymns of praise Of a Saviour who could change our lives, and brighten all our days.

At recess time we all had fun as we went out to play. 'Twas prisoner's goal, or other games, or pompompullaway. And when it rained we played inside and Oh, what fun we had With hide the thimble or bean bag or often mumble-dé-peg.

Now and then we took a hike to see the countryside And then walked home a mile or two, for we had no way to ride. We carried wood to fill the stove through cold and wintry days. We'd sweep the floor and wash the board and practice on some plays.

Smiley's Store would always take our change if we had some, For cracker jack or candy or a bit of chewing gum. Smiley's Store of course still stands, though changed in several ways: The hitching rail is gone, you know, 'twas a mark of the good old days.

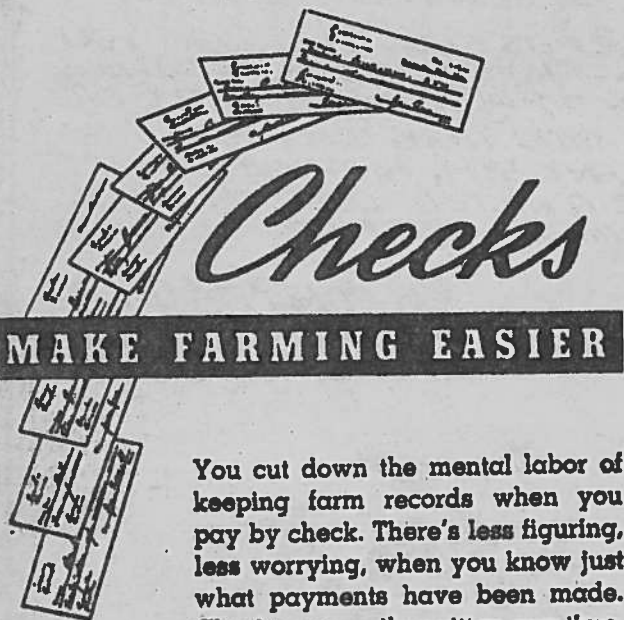
They used to sell a lot of things, that today cannot be seen. Instead of selling farm supplies, Glen now sells gasoline. The store still stands, and we are glad, 'tis a landmark of the past. We hope 'twill last for a long, long time, until the very last.

There used to be a buggy shed where you could drive right in And the horse could eat his dinner while you heard about your sin. But the little church has been torn down and one store gone at last. The saw mill, and the blacksmith shop, are long gone in the past.

The old town hall has been the scene of many glad events. No doubt we all have memories of happy evenings spent. The old hotel is crumbling, a landmark to be sure. I wonder what will happen in the days that lie before?

The church, the school and such are gone and we alone are here. I wish that we might build again the things that were so dear. There are people here from the Two Rivers School from every walk and station. We may have hailed from a one-horse town but we're part of a mighty nation.

And here we'll meet from year to year as long as we are able, And chat about the good old days across the dinner table. And now, dear friends, God bless you all and keep you in His care Until we meet another time, either here or over there.



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Local Items

Mrs. Russell Wilson and Nina Forbes visited recently at the home of T. C. Brien and family of Berkley.

Mr. and Mrs. Pat Hathaway and Alton Brien spent a week ago Saturday night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Linebaugh of Pontiac. All returned home Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Wilson were recent callers of Nina Forbes.

History of Printing

The first paper mill in Germany was in Nuremburg in 1391.

The first press was set up in Paris in 1470.

The University Press at Oxford, England, began operation in 1585.

Benjamin Franklin began publishing Poor Richard's Almanac in 1732.

In 1765 the law provided that every advertisement inserted in a newspaper must be taxed two shillings.

Thomas Jefferson encouraged the

establishment of a paper in Virginia, the Virginia Gazette.

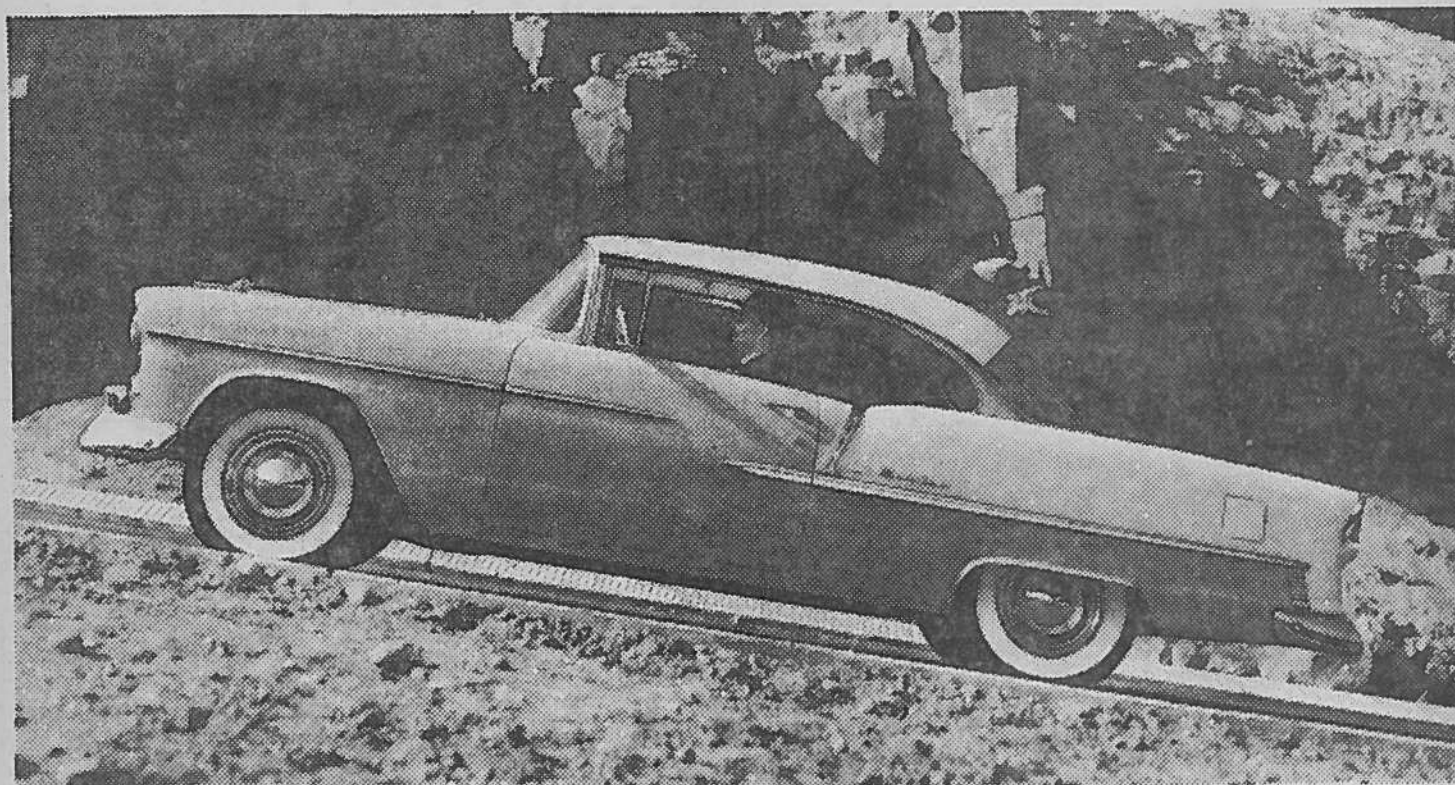
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