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Editor's Column

HOW TO GET "ULTRA-RIGHT" BOOKS

Several people have informed me that I never printed the publisher's address on John A. Stormer's book, "None Dare Call It Treason". Some have scoured the news-stands and paperback sections of drug stores and such, to no avail. Well, here's the publisher's address, and it looks like one has to order direct from the publisher.

The book is 75 cents a copy, from Liberty Bell Press, P.O. Box 32, Florissant, Missouri. It apparently has not been shoved at us by an organized outfit, not when one has to write individually to the publisher.

There's another book which is profitable to read, also, perhaps more so than Stormer's chiller. It is "You Can Trust the Communists (to be Communists)" by Dr. Fred Schwarz, published by Prentice-Hall, Inc., Englewood Cliffs, New Jersey.

We have not been contacted by any organization. My brother sent me a book. I read it and loaned it to others. My sister read it and ordered copies to send to others.

Far as I can see, it is individuals choosing their own reading and forming their own opinions.

Accusations of "extremism" and "rightist" sort of leave me cold.

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SOME GOOD PAVING JOBS IN THIS AREA

The past week has seen some good jobs of paving in the Weidman area.

Weidman's business street, waiting since before Weidman Day, was paved, and a good job done, last weekend. The improvement for our village is immeasurable.

Three miles of new blacktop are completed on the West Drew Road southwest of Weidman, giving much-needed relief to families living there.

This road has been under construction over a year, with the added obstacle of a bridge being out (it collapsed about 13 months ago), and residents thereabouts having to drive over difficult stretches before arriving at "out" to Weidman or wherever they might be going.

Those folks on that road are very happy this week.

In Beal City, the business street has been torn up and was under salt-brine and packing operations Wednesday, with promise by road people of paving by this weekend.



MRS. CHARLES ROBERT PAGE
MARRIED IN
BROOMFIELD CHURCH

An altar graced with arrangements of yellow and white gladioli was the scene of a candle-light double-ring ceremony performed by Rev. F. P. Zimmerman Sept. 5 at 7 p. m., when Miss Mary Marguerite Latham, became the bride of Charles Robert Page, in the Zion Lutheran Church at Broomfield.

The bride is the daughter of Thomas Latham and the late Mrs. Latham of Remus, while the bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Page of Lansing.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore a white floor length bell-shaped gown of nylon taffeta. Its fitted bodice had a scoop neckline, outlined with lace applique, continuing down the front to the waist. Her fingertip veil was fastened to a pearl tiara. She wore her mother's diamond necklace, and diamond earrings which were a gift of the groom. She carried a white Testament with yellow roses.

Miss Mary Lemke of Lansing was honor attendant and Miss Elaine Lenox of Remus bridesmaid. They wore identical light blue taffeta brocade street-length dresses and matching blue headpieces. They carried colonial bouquets of yellow roses and white baby pompoms. Little Miss Dana Applebaum was flower girl.

Robert Scott of Lansing was best man, and Eugene Latham of Webberville, brother of the bride, was usher.

The groom's mother wore a blue

Obituary

FRANCIS WILLIAM HARRINGTON

Francis William Harrington of Milwaukee, Wisc., died Sept. 21 in West Allis Memorial Hospital in Milwaukee after a short illness. He was taken ill Sunday night, and died the next day.

He lived in Milwaukee with a son and daughter-in-law. He was a brother of Mrs. Clayton Smith, and had made many visits here and had many friends and relatives in this area.

Mr. Harrington was born July 31, 1879, in Sherman Township, Isabella County, Michigan. He went to Wisconsin in 1901 and was employed by a lumber company for several years as a woods worker. He and his wife later settled in the Sugar Camp area, then moved to Milwaukee in 1917. He worked at Allis Chalmers in that city till his retirement in 1947.

Survivors include two daughters, Mrs. Una Kodd of Milwaukee and Mrs. Lawrence (Gladys) Mason of Newburg; one son, Griffin, of Milwaukee; two brothers, Lewie of Greenville, Mich., and Cecil of Saxon, Wisc.; two sisters, Mrs. Frank (Lena) Payne of Hersey, Mich., and Mrs. Gusta Greene of Detroit; two half-sisters, Mrs. Clayton (Clara) Smith of Weidman, and Mrs. John (Ina) Gould of Detroit; five grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Lettie, May 28, 1945, and by a sister and brother.

Funeral services were held Sept. 25 at 2 p. m. in the Carlson Funeral Home in Rhinelander, Wisc., with the Rev. Allen P. McCaul officiating. Burial was in Forest Home Cemetery in Rhinelander.

Dinner was served the family at a hall in Rhinelander after the funeral. ---0---

Youth Injured In Farm Mishap

Twelve-year-old Eric Methner of South Broomfield was recovered

in a place dress over taffeta, with matching accessories. Her corsage was a white orchid.

Special guests were Mrs. Mary Cook of Remus, grandmother of the bride, and Mrs. Geneva Page of Lansing, grandmother of the groom.

Miss Ruth Metzger, formerly of Remus, was organist.

After a weekend's honeymoon in Northern Michigan, the couple are making their home in Lansing.

ing in CMC Hospital Wednesday from leg injuries suffered in a power-driven feed unloader at his farm home Tuesday.

Apparently the boy's foot slipped on a frosty platform and the auger movement of the unloader took his leg into the path of the machine.

He suffered severed tendons and abrasions to the foot and leg.

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SUPT. CHAMBERS CHAIRMAN OF SPECIAL EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Kelvin W. Chambers, Superintendent of the Weidman Community School, has been appointed chairman of the Isabella County Special Education Advisory Committee.

At a meeting last Thursday evening, plans were made to push the establishment of the program in the Beal City, Blanchard and Weidman area.

The principal drawback, at the present time, is the difficulty encountered in hiring a properly certified teacher.

The committee, consisting of the school superintendents, board members and laymen of Isabella County, have agreed to meet regularly and leave no stone unturned until the program is initiated.

Mrs. John McDonald, a speech correction teacher, already teaches children with speech defects Monday and Wednesday afternoons at Weidman. There are 18 children in the Weidman School who are in the speech correction department, Mr. Chambers said this week.

Obituary

PEARL MARTIN

Mrs. Pearl Martin, a lifelong resident of the Beal City area, and well known and loved by very many here, died Sept. 28 in CMC Hospital in Mt. Pleasant, at the age of 74.

She was born in Nottawa Township Nov. 1, 1889. Her husband died in 1920.

Funeral services were held yesterday, Thursday, at 11 a. m. in St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Beal City, with burial in the church cemetery.

She is survived by three sons, Joseph of West Sherman, and William and Woodrow of R. 2, Mt. Pleasant; five daughters, Mrs. Cora Shippee, Mrs. Alma Byron, Mrs. Evelyn Gibson and Mrs. Dorothy Carroll of Mt. Pleasant, and Mrs. Jennie Grewette of Detroit; also a sister, Mrs. Kate Martin, of R2, Mt. Pleasant; 21 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

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FOR SALE--Duo-Therm Space Heater, with blower. Good condition; clean, and cheap. Contact Don Smith, Weidman, phone 644-2224. Oct2t1

WANT LIGHT BULBS?

The Weidman Lions Club will be selling them at Beal City Oct. 1, and at Weidman Oct. 2 and 3.

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MAYTAG--Yes, we have new Maytag Wringer Washers, also Maytag automatics and Maytag Dryers. We can service them. Fox Hardware, Weidman, ph. 644-3631. Aug. 14tf

NOTICE--The George Skinner place in Weidman (the Minnie I. Roe farm) is posted for NO HUNTING. We are protecting wildlife on our wilderness acres. We'll appreciate hunters' co-operation. There will be no

trapping on this place. We are a refuge for rabbits, deer, raccoons, game birds. George Skinner, 2698 Airline Road, Weidman. Oct. 2tf

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NOTICE

The regular monthly meeting of the Weidman Business Association will be held next Tuesday evening, Oct. 6, at the fire hall beginning at 8 o'clock sharp. All members are urged to be there.

Market Report

(Prices Quoted at Bader Milling Company, Weidman, Wednesday Afternoon.)

Wheat, bu.-----	\$1.27
Corn, bu. ---	\$1.17 & 1.14
Oats, bu.-----	.58
Rye, bu.-----	.97

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CONSTANCE SKINNER
Editor.

North Weidman

Wanda Graham, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Lloy Sperry are the proud owners of a new automobile. Red, too!

Mr. and Mrs. Meryl Graham and girls drove to Saginaw Saturday, combining a business and shopping trip.

Mrs. Lauraine Burden of Grand Rapids and Mrs. Harry Welch, Jr., and children of Remus called on Mr. and Mrs. Jack Burden and family Saturday.

Mrs. John Gott accompanied her daughter, Mrs. Marvin Allen, and son, Jack, of Farwell, to St. Johns Sunday evening to visit Mrs. Gott's mother, Mrs. Julia Rhynard.

Mrs. Rosie Warner and Mrs. Wanda Graham spent last Tuesday in Mt. Pleasant and Shepherd.

Rusty and Bill Alwood and Buck Linda Garrett and Kenny McDan-

iels Saturday afternoon at the Deerfield Methodist Church; also the wedding of Kathy Parker and Richard Flaughter at the Weidman Methodist Church Saturday evening.

Carl Latham and son, Doyle, of Blanchard called on Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Latham Saturday evening. Mrs. Meryl Graham was in Farwell on business and also Clare, Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Jones, Jr., of Lakeview were Sunday evening dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Meryl Graham and daughters.

Mrs. John Latham and Mrs. Dick Sperry spent Tuesday, the 22nd, in Lakeview.

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Talsma are also sporting around in a new car.

Mr. and Mrs. John Gott went to Evart Tuesday, the 29th.

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Mike Adams was among the boys attending the Scout Jamboree at Mt. Pleasant last Friday and Saturday.

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Maycie Cook, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Esch and children called on Mrs. Nettie Crowley and Jay, Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. E. R. Rhode and Harold spent Sunday in Flint with Mrs. Lorraine Schultz and son, Jon.

Mr. and Mrs. Gail Strong of Elwell called on Mr. and Mrs. Robert Cook Tuesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Lueder and Mr. and Mrs. Benezette of Mt. Pleasant are on a trip to visit friends in Montana.

Mrs. Nettie Crowley and brother, Jay Leinaar, called on Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Crowley and family Sunday. Friday evening they visited Mr. and Mrs. Paul Lueder.

Mrs. Anna Wilson and Mrs. Lenore Harrison of Mt. Pleasant and Mrs. Minnie Rhode spent Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. Eda Van Zandt.

Callers of Mrs. E. R. Rhode through the week were Mr. and Mrs. Richard Rhode, Mr. and Mrs. Emil Lueder, and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Stevens.

Mrs. Eda Van Zandt helped with the Zonta Club candy sale in Mt. Pleasant Wednesday.

Herman Cook and Emil Lueder were delegates at a Lutheran Pastors' Conference at Flint Monday. They accompanied Rev. Schmeltzer.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Schafer, Mrs. Glee Krueger and children and Herman and Aliance Cook were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Gale Krueger.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Lueder celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary at Comstock Park with their sons, Melford and Irvin, and their families, at the Irvin Lueder home. A delicious barbecued steak dinner was served, and enjoyed by all.

Duffy and Dawn, children of Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Lueder, spent three days with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Lueder, in Saginaw, at the Michigan Lutheran Seminary, while their folks went to an insurance meeting in Cincinnati.

On June 11, Mrs. Herman Lueder of Saginaw won a portable zigzag sewing machine on a TV contest. She says it was a very thrilling experience.

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Walker Creek News

Mrs. Esther Stanley, Reporter

Mrs. Clarence Dillenbeck visited her daughter, Janet, at Sloan Dormitory at Central Michigan University one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Max Gray of Midland visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lou Gray, Sunday, and attended the smorgasbord put on by the Masons at Weidman.

Barry and Craig, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Keith Thompson, went to Ann Arbor Saturday to a Band Festival, with the band from the Bar-

ryton High School.

Mrs. Lyle Denslow went to the funeral of Mrs. Edna Taylor at Rosebush Friday. Mrs. Taylor was 87 years old.

Mrs. Lillian Bishop accompanied Mrs. Ollie Denslow to a shower honoring Mr. and Mrs. James Patrick (Mary Lou), daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edmond Wensey, held at Deerfield Center Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Micky Dargitz and three children of Big Rapids, Otto Skalitzy and Mrs. Etta St. John were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Denslow.

Mrs. Russell Stanley spent part of the week at the home of her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Pung, of Beal City, caring for the children while Diana was in the hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Adelbert Pung and Susan and Sandra of St. Johns, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Pung and family, and Mr. and Mrs. Donald Stanley and family were Sunday dinner guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Stanley. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Mitchell of Clare were afternoon visitors of her sister, Mrs. Stanley.

David Moore called at his grandparents' home, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Stanley, Sunday afternoon, but received a call to report for work. He works for the Pizza Palace in Big Rapids in his spare time from college.

Lucinda St. John spent the weekend with her brother, Mr. and Mrs. Gary St. John, and also visited her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Bazaire, of North Brinton.

Terry, son of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Zill, is recovering from a serious ear infection.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Vinton of Eight Point Lake and Mr. and Mrs. Larry Fussman of Mt. Pleasant were Tuesday night guests of the former's daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Stanley.

Leon Stanley of Barryton spent Friday night and Saturday with his cousin, Ronald, son of the Donald Stanleys.

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SOUTHWEST GILMORE

VERNA SEYMOUR, Reporter

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Gary Kent, who were married Sept. 19.

Harley Beck of Farwell spent the weekend at the Don Seymour home.

Mrs. Verna Seymour called on her sister-in-law and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Al Young, at Farwell Sunday evening. Don also called.

Mrs. Lola Fordyce is teaching first grade in the Farwell School for a while.

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Kent and Ronda spent the weekend in Jackson, at the Marvin Hatch home.

Mrs. Agnes Fuller and sister, Mrs. Harriet Baker, of Littlefield Lake called at the Elam Seymour home Friday afternoon.

S. W. Sherman

Evalena Hibberd, Reporter

Mrs. Orrie Merrihew attended a church board meeting in Mt. Pleasant Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Lawrence called on his sister, Mrs. George Merrihew, and George, Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Dutcher spent Sunday evening with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Dutcher.

Mrs. Clayton Dutcher spent Monday, Sept. 21, with her mother, Mrs. Nora Secord, near Deerfield Center.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Loomis of New Era were weekend visitors of their daughter and family, the Gary Dutchers.

Mr. and Mrs. McDaniels called on his aunt, Mrs. Taber, of rural Barryton, Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Sylvia Remington and little Tory Allen spent Thursday afternoon with Mrs. Ervin Dutcher, Jr.

Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher, Sr., were dinner guests Sunday of their brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hine, who were celebrating their 42nd wedding anniversary. And we say, Congratulations to them!

Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Dent of ru-

ral Barryton visited their daughter, Barbara, in Berrien Springs, last Saturday. Barbara is a student at the Andrews University there.

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Local Items

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Straus and son of Flushing spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Carl Scharrer. Mrs. Scharrer returned with them for a week's visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Smith returned home Sunday from Rhineland, Wisc., where they attended the funeral of her brother, Francis Harrington. They called on Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Smith and children of Greenville on their way home.

Mrs. Hermione Smith was a Sunday dinner guest at the Don Smith home.

Mrs. Robert Bruce of Ashley and Mrs. Thelma Nass, also of Ashley, and Janet Nass were Monday guests for lunch at the Ron Sprague home. Mrs. Laura Roberts of Lake was a caller.

Mrs. Queen Taylor of Mt. Pleasant was a Thursday visitor of Mrs. Nina Forbes. They called on Maggie Boger and Lena St. John.

BETTER THAN A LETTER

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Beal City

Dora Smith, Reporter

Mrs. Harold Block was hostess at a birthday party in honor of her daughter, Marjorie, Sunday afternoon. The little Miss was celebrating her tenth birthday. Fourteen friends were present. Marjorie received many nice gifts. All reported a good time.

Friends of Thelma Simmer had a birthday surprise for her Saturday evening. Present were Mr. and Mrs. Harold Straus, Mr. and Mrs. Steve Straus, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hauck, and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Bleise.

Mrs. Lucille Caffrey, Mrs. Joe Martin, Mrs. Tony Schafer, Mrs. Joe Pung, Mrs. Peter Schafer, Mrs. Louise Smith and Mrs. Wm. Pung drove to Cadillac Thursday to visit their sister, Mrs. Frank Laubenthal.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Johnson of Yale, Mich., are visiting relatives around Beal City.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Schafer made a business trip to Lansing Friday.

Mrs. Alfred Klumpp and girls of Mt. Pleasant spent Thursday evening at the Tony Schafer home.

Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Pung of St. Johns visited relatives here over the weekend.

Virgil Smith is the proud owner of a new 1965 Chevrolet.

Mr. and Mrs. Gatehouse, Mr.

and Mrs. Wm. Pung and Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Pung of Mt. Pleasant called on the Wm. Pungs Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Smith entertained the Twenty Grand Club Saturday evening. First prize went to Mrs. Clara Breuer, second to Luella Smith; first prize for men went to Virgil Smith, second to Harold Block. They had a good time.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Martin entertained their club Sunday evening. First prizes went to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Schafer, second to Christine Bierschbach and Leo Schafer, and pepper prize to Joe Fussman. Next to entertain the club will be Mr. and Mrs. Julius Bierschbach.

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E. Coldwater

ESTHER SKINNER, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Skinner and family, Mr. and Mrs. Duane Miller of Clare and Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Routheaux and Randy of St. Louis had a surprise birthday supper honoring their mother, Elana Miller, of Farwell, Wednesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Jones and family of Flint spent the weekend at Littlefield Lake.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Routheaux and Randy, Mr. and Mrs. Don Routheaux and family of Ithaca,

and Mrs. Miller of Farwell called on Mr. and Mrs. Harold Skinner and family Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Olger and children attended the wedding reception at Barryton Saturday for Mr. and Mrs. Richard Flaughter (the former Kathy Parker).

Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Olger and Stewart Voss called on Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hard of Freeland last Thursday afternoon. They also called on Mr. and Mrs. Elton Wilcox of Midland.

Mrs. Sidney Wood and Jack of Farwell called on Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Olger and family Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Geasler spent Sunday with their son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell Geasler, and family, of Allegan.

Jack Frost really hit hard. Temperature drops in the twenties; at 9.30 it registered 25 degrees. What wasn't hit before surely is this time. Ice on car tops at 7.30 p.m.

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N. Brinton

CORA ESTES, Reporter

Jesse Lee is visiting this week with his grandson, Jessie Lee, and family, at Ionia.

Jim Maddox is in the Veterans' Hospital in Saginaw, where he had surgery Tuesday for eye removal. Lillie is staying with her

children in Saginaw, and Dewey Olger is taking care of their home chores.

Funeral services for Roy Colost who passed away in Grand Rapids were held here Saturday, with burial in the North Cemetery.

Mr. and Mrs. John McRoberts of Lake were Thursday visitors at the Bert Estes home.

Due to a cold day, the Brinton Sunday School held its picnic in the Community Building.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Husted attended the funeral of an uncle, Elvie Updegraph, in Cadillac, on Saturday.

Sunday visitors at the Walter Tower home were their son, Darrell, and family, of Brighton.

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Local Items

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Brooks of Farwell called on Mrs. Bertha Clark last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Middlesworth and Mr. and Mrs. Dick Doley attended an IGA banquet and merchandise meeting at Frankenmuth Tuesday evening.

Mrs. James Skillen of Greenville spent a couple of days this week with Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Raub.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Irwin of Alpena spent the weekend with their brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Shook.

BETTER THAN A LETTER

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MT. PLEASANT

West Gilmore

Lena Cole, Reporter

Gary Kent and Robin Smith were united in marriage Saturday, Sept. 19. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kent gave a dinner in honor of the newlyweds.

Mrs. Ruby Douglas, Mrs. Lucile Brown, Mrs. Charlotte Hart and Mrs. Paul Cole called on Mr. and Mrs. Frank Walter Wednesday. Mrs. Walter was quite ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kent are building a new addition on their house.

Mrs. Robert Worth, who spent several weeks in Ford Hospital, returned home Saturday.

Mrs. Clarence Shaner and sons, Allen and Walter, visited her mother, Mrs. Charlotte Hart, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Cole received word that their son-in-law, Joe Mossell, has infection in his nose and ears, and may need surgery on his nose, which was broken, several years ago.

Mrs. Clara Harring left Tuesday for Colorado. She expects to be gone several weeks.

Mrs. Charlotte Hart cared for her great-granddaughter last week while the mother, Mrs. Gloria McKenzie, worked at a Barryton restaurant.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kobel visited the Paul Coles and Vilma Tuesday. The Kobels are driving a new car.

BETTER THAN A LETTER

Mrs. Agnes Fuller and sister returned home Tuesday after a trip to Pennsylvania and New York to the World's Fair.

Mr. and Mrs. Mel Frank have sold their farm here and moved back to Lansing.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kobel spent the weekend in Lansing.

Mrs. Ruby Douglas attended the Rebekah card party at Weidman Tuesday.

Mrs. Paul Cole and Vilma had dinner with Mrs. Charlotte Hart Friday.

Mrs. Clarence Shaner had vacation from her work at CMC Hospital this week.

Mrs. Charlotte Hart was a dinner guest of her son, Gaylord, and family Thursday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Wood are topping onions at the Talsma onion farm.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Geasler and Norman gave a belated birthday party for their granddaughter, Bobby Worth, Sunday. Bobby was 10 Sept. 25, but waited to celebrate when Mom came home on Saturday from Ford Hospital.

George Pitts came home from Gratiot Hospital Saturday, feeling much better.

Mrs. Ida Wiseman of Flint came Sunday to spend a few days with her sister, Mrs. Charlotte Hart. Mrs. Margaret Shilling and granddaughter, Kimberly, of Lake, were Sunday callers.

West Nottawa

Amelia Wieber, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Faber are the proud parents of a baby boy, born Sept. 22, at Community Hospital, Mt. Pleasant. Mother and baby came home Saturday. Their little girl, Mary Jean, stayed with her grandparents at Ashley.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Hauck also have a baby boy, born last week also at the Mt. Pleasant Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Kellicut and children of Lansing spent the weekend with her father, Charles Gross, and Elaine.

Ida Dole had her Shamrock Club Saturday afternoon. They played two tables of pepper. Alvina Rau won first prize, Hulda Stevens second. Clara Fox won pepper prize. Gertrude Gross received the consolation prize. Mrs. Dole served a delightful lunch to her guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Pat Riley and Linda of Mt. Pleasant spent Saturday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Sylvester Dole.

Mrs. Don Paisley and Jacqueline and Gary and Amelia Wieber called on Mrs. Bob Kranz Tuesday forenoon, at Mt. Pleasant.

Ray Sebenick was taken to the Alma Hospital a week ago Sunday afternoon. He was quite sick, but was reported better now. He was still in the hospital the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Willard Thelen called on some of their friends Monday afternoon, around Beal City.

Mrs. Jean Ness of Ashley is spending some time with her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Faber.

Mr. and Mrs. George Klumpp and children spent Sunday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Larry Egbert.

Mr. and Mrs. John Faber spent Monday afternoon with his sister, Mrs. John Neubecker.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Egbert and boys and Mr. and Mrs. Buel Egbert and girls had a lovely turkey dinner Sunday at the Clarence Egbert home, celebrating Larry's and Buel's birthdays.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Reihl celebrated their wedding anniversary Saturday evening at the Town and Country Tavern in Beal City. Mr. and Mrs. Ed Zuker, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Moore and Mr. and Mrs. Larry Egbert later went to their home and enjoyed a lovely T-bone steak supper.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Ahlers and family of Adrian visited at the Ted Ahlers home over the weekend.

Mrs. Walter Hauck of Rosebush spent Friday morning with her daughter, Mrs. Don Paisley.

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Mr. and Mrs. Alton Allen went to Ann Arbor Wednesday for a checkup for Mrs. Allen. They planned to stay the night with their son, Carl, and family, in Lansing.

Nottawa

Madeline Stevens, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Faber are the proud parents of a baby boy, born this week. He will answer to the name of James William. Mary Jane Faber has spent the week with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Hass, returning Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Vogel and Jack of Mt. Pleasant visited Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Vogel Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Rudy Dickson and family of Lansing spent the weekend with Coletta Gross.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Elliott of Mt. Pleasant spent Sunday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Joe Stevens.

Larry Schmidt left this week to enroll at Michigan State University for his second year of studies there.

Mrs. B.A. Wendrow spent Sunday with Mrs. Clyde Johnston. She was accompanied by Margaret and Gregg.

Mr. and Mrs. Herb Riley, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Wilson and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Stevens visited Mr. and Mrs. Bill Faber Tuesday evening.

Mrs. Shirley Weber, Mrs. Nancy Marshall and Mrs. Gayla Harms took their mother, Mrs. Bessie Galvin, out to The Embers Sunday evening in honor of her birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Morey and family of Beal City have moved to Morrice. Mr. Morey is teaching in the school system there.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Hauck are the proud parents of a baby boy born Wednesday, Sept. 23. He weighed eight pounds, eight oz., and is named Michael Joseph. Mrs. Hauck and son came home Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Don MacIntyre and family of Ann Arbor spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. John Reihl.

Mr. and Mrs. Fey Gatehouse and family had Sunday dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Howell and family of Rockford.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Parks of Mio came Thursday for her sister's wedding. Miss Kathy Parker and Richard Flaughter were married Saturday at the Weidman Methodist Church. A reception was held at the Barryton hall. Mr. and Mrs. Joe Vincent of Flint spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Len Parker also. Mr. and Mrs. Flaughter will live at Lake Thirteen.

Larry Straus is a patient in the Midland Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Straus and Paul, Mr. and Mrs. Art Straus, Mrs. Ernestine Straus had Sunday dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Max Straus and family.

Visitors at the Alvin Schmidt home Sunday were Junior Schmidt of Lansing, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Schmidt and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Fedewa and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Stevens visited Mrs. E.R. Rhode and Harold Fri-

day evening.

Gary Schafer, son of the Frank Schafers, enrolled at Michigan State University on a Chemical Engineering course, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Fussman of Mt. Pleasant spent Sept. 29 and 30 in Grand Rapids, for the annual Gordon Foods convention. Mr. Fussman is operator and manager of the Satellite Drive-In at Mt. Pleasant. During their stay in Grand Rapids they were Tuesday dinner and evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Gary Oaks. A very fine and interesting time was reported by Larry and his wife, Kathy. During the stay in Grand Rapids the Fussmans' son, Roger, stayed with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Fussman.

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Two Rivers

Blanche Carr, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Flaughter entertained Friday evening with a rehearsal dinner for the wedding of their son, Richard, and Miss Kathy Parker. Glenn Flaughter of Bellaire was a Saturday supper guest of his brother and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Martin called Monday at the Forrest Moore home near Barryton. Mrs. Don Passerello and children of Saginaw and the Ed Martins were Saturday guests of the Herman Martins.

Mrs. Stanley Grewett, son Bob and wife of Roseville visited her mother, Mrs. Pearl Martin, in CMC Hospital, and spent the weekend at their cottage on Coldwater Lake.

Mr. and Mrs. Elton Bunting and family of Belding were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Oral Bunting. Afternoon visitors were the John and Miles Buntings.

Steve Schafer and Vern Simmer were Sunday supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Swan and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Steve Saunders and Darcy, Miss Helen Saunders, and Mr. and Mrs. E. Lee Johnson of Mt. Pleasant were Sunday afternoon visitors of the Kenneth Saunders family.

Mr. and Mrs. Blaine Stansell were Sunday supper guests of their daughter and family, the Don Woodruffs.

Myron Johnson accompanied a sheriff's posse on a campout at Canoe Lake, north of Harrison, over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Vern Foster of Detroit spent the weekend with Mrs. Ina Gillette, at their farm home.

Mrs. Blanche Carr attended a bridal shower for Miss Rhea Billsby at the home of Mrs. Eleanor Waters of Saginaw, Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Courser were Cadillac visitors recently.

Louis Baker was taken ill Sunday night.

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Mrs. Howard Bywater returned the weekend from Maple Rapids after helping care for the new baby of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Thomas, which had double pneumonia.

WEIDMAN MESSENGER

Around Horr

Jessie Rosencrantz, Reporter

BIRTHDAY PARTY FOR
MRS. HATTIE LOSEY

Saturday evening the following people helped Mrs. Hattie Losey celebrate her birthday with a bountiful supper:

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Losey and Shari and Ron, Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Losey, and Susie, Nancy, Patti, Gary and Beth Ann; Mr. and Mrs. Theron Merrihew, Mr. and Mrs. Don Merrihew, Miss Marlene Merrihew and friend, and Will and Jessie Rosencrantz.

Mr. and Mrs. Orlan Denslow and Lorraine were Saturday guests of Mrs. Eva Denslow. Mr. and Mrs. Mike Louvert were Sunday callers.

Mr. and Mrs. Keith Baker and baby were weekend guests of her

mother, Mrs. Margaret Denslow. Mr. and Mrs. Chuck Roberts and Connie were weekend guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Dent. On Sunday they had all their children, and the Whitey McRae family as dinner guests. Harry Dent had stitches removed from his knee and is getting along good.

Mrs. Mabel Dent returned to work last Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Alva Cummins were Friday supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Tracy White.

Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Cummins were Mr. and Mrs. Alva Cummins and Mrs. Helen Smith and Vera.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Buzek were Sunday dinner guests of the Charlie Loseys. Other callers were Clayton Dutcher and Harold Losey. The Buzeks and Loseys called on the Tracy Whites Sunday p. m.

Mrs. Bea Gross was a Tuesday

dinner guest of Mrs. Marilyn Losey.

Miss Sandra Gross and Miss Rita Scott were Friday evening guests at the Gerald Losey home, to help Beth Ann celebrate her birthday.

Norrine Price and Mrs. Eva Denslow were Sunday callers of Mrs. Opal Denslow.

Mr. and Mrs. Garth Lawrence and Pam were Sunday guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Lawrence. Woodrow Martin was a Thursday caller.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Wright and Mr. and Mrs. Miles Belles of Pontiac were weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Miller.

Cathy Brownell underwent eye surgery at Mt. Pleasant Thursday, and returned home Saturday. She is coming along fine.

Mrs. Opal Denslow received word that her aunt, Mrs. Hattie Olmstead, of Flint, passed away Sunday.

Edward Martin, jr., and Mrs. John Passeriolo and family of Saginaw were Saturday guests of the Joe Martin family.

Miss Vera Tiana and friend of Dearborn Heights spent from Thursday through Sunday with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Sterling Oplinger, and the Earl Oplingers.

Billy and Bobby Thompson spent Tuesday and Friday nights at the Earl Oplingers', while their parents were in Grand Rapids. Mr. and Mrs. Jack Thompson were both improving the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Wright were Wednesday visitors at the Vance Wood home.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Carr spent Saturday and Sunday on a tour around Manistee and other places in the vicinity.

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News Notes

Clarence Dillenbeck and Wendell Sisco are hunting moose this week, in far-north Canada. They drove over 900 miles to Soo Look-out, Canada, where they changed to plane travel for a farther-north Canadian lake to camp and do their moose-hunting. They left Monday and will be hunting a week.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Beutler and Mr. and Mrs. Howard Beutler attended the Goldwater rally and barbecue at Midland Saturday.

Mrs. Beth Jackson of Mt. Pleasant and Miss Gladys Cornell of Cedar Springs spent from Wednesday till Friday last week with Blanche Cliff. Miss Cornell was a teacher in the Weidman School about 30 years ago. The three ladies were the supper guests of Mildred Tompkins in Barryton last Thursday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Ike Hampton and family of Benton Harbor spent the weekend with Mrs. Edna Schultz. Mrs. Gladys Cornell and Mrs. Beth Jackson of Mt. Pleasant were last Wednesday callers. Steve Moline of Clare was a Sunday guest.

BETTER THAN A LETTER

WEIDMAN
METHODIST CHURCH

Rev. Williams P. Reynders
Minister

Sunday School, 9.45 a. m.
Morning Worship, 11.00 a. m.
Methodist Youth Fellowship, 1st and 3rd Sundays, 6.45 p. m.
Methodist Men, 1st Wednesday of month, 6.30 p. m.
Women's Society of Christian Service, 1st and 3rd Thursdays, 2.30 p. m.
Choir practice each Thursday, 8.00 p. m.
Bible Study each Thursday, 7.00 p. m.
Fellowship Dinner, 3rd Sunday of each month, 1.00 p. m.

DEERFIELD METHODIST
CHURCH

Rev. Williams P. Reynders
Minister

Morning Worship, 9.30 a. m.
Sunday School, 10.45 a. m.
Methodist Youth Fellowship (combined with Weidman)
Methodist Men (combined with Weidman).
Women's Society of Christian Service, 2nd and 4th Thursdays, 1.30 p. m.
Choir practice each Thursday.
Fellowship Dinner, 4th Sunday of each month, 6.30 p. m.

FOREST HILL
CHURCH OF GOD

Rev. Henry Hulbert
Pastor

Sunday School, 10.00 a. m.
Morning Worship, 11.00 a. m.
Youth Service, 6.30 p. m.
Evening Service, 7.30 p. m.
Prayer Meeting, Wednesday, 7.30 p. m.

A very good attendance was noted at the Rally Day program held at the Forest Hill Church of God. While the record was not broken, church members said they will keep on trying.

Mrs. Stark, director of Child Evangelism, of Lansing, gave a very good flannelgraph lesson and talk especially for Sunday School pupils. Mr. and Mrs. Stark were Sunday dinner guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Allen in Weidman.

Our Youth Group is growing. We invite others who have no church affiliations to join them.

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A PAGE BY GEORGE



BROWNIE

By George Wallace Skinner

A small crowd was gathering just off the main thoroughfare. Just a few paces down the side street something was happening. Becoming curious, one had only to crowd his way through the small but ever-increasing number of spectators to observe the cause.

The first thing to come to attention as one worked his way through, was a rather large dark man, possessing, if we fail to notice the quite severe and apparently inefaceable marks which, it was very evident, a most unkind attack of smallpox had left upon him, not an unkindly face; yet one well set, it seemed, upon deciding, to his own advantage, a dispute of a somewhat uncertain ending.

Upon peeking farther over into the center of the small gathering, one observed a somewhat small, but quite respected space, which seemed to hold something of a mutual interest both for the big dark man and the assembled onlookers. One observed also, squatted directly in front of the big dark man, a small boy; a boy of ten, perhaps, or eleven years, firmly braced, one foot slightly beneath him, the other very determinedly against the kneecap of the big dark man.

Something tawny and very much alive was wrapped quite firmly, and quite completely, in the small but very determined arms of the small boy.

A chain, which was attached to the collar of a dog's harness, seemed to be held just as firmly at its other end by the fat, red hand of the big dark man.

"Get a cop, someone!" a small woman carrying many bundles and leading a small wide-eyed little girl voiced up. "It's an outrage for a great big lout like him to be allowed to quarrel with a little boy over a dog that's not worth a nickel, perhaps!"

A sweet little dirty face was turned pleasingly and very appreciatively up to the little woman with the many bundles, and just as quickly turned again to scowl defiance and determination into the pock-marked and rather discomfited countenance of the big dark man.

"I wish a cop would come," a small voice piped from down somewhere quite close to the little dog's brown ear, a little ear that could be seen sticking out quite sharply from beneath a square set, freckled little chin.

"Why don't some of you guys standing around here make him

let go of that chain? Gee cracky, if I wuz half as big as most any of you fellers I'd let go of this dog and lam the big bum in the jaw! If my big brother wuz here I bet you'd let go of him!"

The big dark man continued to pull upon the chain, while a dirty little snoot was stuck defiantly, and with many wrinkles, up at him from down close upon the sidewalk.

O' Grady the cop, pacing his beat, had observed, while passing the corner, the curious motley gathering. It was his duty to investigate, but far more firmly, he was pushing his way through the assembly just as a stout, elderly lady had forced her way closer to the contesting pair.

Now she was speaking:

"You big brute, why don't you give the kid his dog? He says it's his!"

"It's a nota heesa dog, dis dog belong to Antone! Mea buy deesa dog t'ree weeka go! I jus' taka heem out for a heesa walk when deesa fresh keed he jumpa down and grabba my pup and try to tak' heem away from heesa mas' Deesa dog he no like de kid, Antone 'fraid maybe keed geta bite, so I take 'way! Give to Antone!" This last to the small boy as he pulled again very firmly and just as ineffectively upon the chain.

"What seems to be the trouble here, someone hurt?" Officer O'Grady was inquiring as he nosed his bland, full face inquisitively over the shoulder of the little woman with the many bundles.

Mixed voices mingled various replies, but above all came the ones from the big, dark man and the small freckled boy.

"Officer, make this big wop gimme my dog," a small voice floated up from between pleading, sweating lips.

"Meester O'Grad', deesa my dog. I no haf give de keed jus' for he lika de dog. Whata' you t'ink, huh?"

"He's lyin' to yuh, mister. This dog's mine. I had her a long time. Daddy got her for me when she was just a little puppy an' I lost her about two months ago. She went away, or someone stole her. I knowed her just as soon as I saw her here, so I grabbed her an' I ain't goin' to let her go nuther, 'cause you're mine, ain't yuh, Brownie?"

Two shiny eyes peered out contentedly from beneath two bare sun-tanned arms, bestowing appealing glances upon the intervening cop.

Solemnly the cop addressed the big dark man. "Where'd you get her, Tony?"

"Where I getta da pup? You t'inka Tone steala da pup? I tella you where I getta heem. Justa t'ree weeks back dare come to mya store where I keepa da meat, a man, an' he saya to me, he say, 'You wanna buy some dog?' I t'inka heema da wholesale man an' I say, 'Sure, I buya some dog. Give me one keg pickle

dog, anda twent pound--' He say, 'I no wanna sella dat kinda dog, I sella you nice live cute browna pup.' I look 'round and sea da pup ina hees arms, an' I say, 'Sure, I buya da pup, how mucha you take?' He say, 'I sella you for fiva buck.' I taka da dog. So you see, deesa dog he belong to Antone Paschello. Deesa kid heesa too fresh, I no lika someone calla me wop. I is gentleman from sunny Italy. Giva me dog, I pusha in your face witha my foot."

This last remark was directed at the small boy holding the dog.

"You just try something like that, you big bully," the stout woman warned, as she pushed herself a little more firmly between the contestants. "Why don't you do something about this, officer?" the little woman with the many bundles suggested, as she shifted laboriously about, readjusting her slipping parcels.

The small boy with the many freckles, having partly released the squirming brownish pup, was having much trouble now, endeavoring to eat and at the same time hold out of reach of the persistent pup a half consumed lollypop.

Officer O'Grady was stroking his face and looking inquiringly about the half-stern, half-amused faces of the onlookers.

"Well," he decided, after a moment's pause, "I can't see just how we're going to decide this thing. Looks like it's Tony's dog, unless the boy can prove, in some way, that it's his."

"Well, I don't see why I have to prove it's mine when I know it's mine," the small boy blurted out, again looking daggers at the big man. "This wop he don't even know it's a girl dog, he calls her a him."

A roar burst from the onlookers while several nudged quite

sharply others at their elbows. "I don't lika dees keed, see, he calla me wop, come on, giva da pup, I taka heem home."

The chain tightened at both ends.

"How do you know it's your dog?" the large sympathetic lady now spoke up, addressing the small boy.

The small boy turned up a freckled, sun-tanned, faintly smiling face that looked as though it might exude at any moment a torrent of tears.

"Why, I just can't tell you, lady," he faltered, "I just know her, because--because I just know her, I guess! You see, I've played with her ever since Dad gave her to me 'way last spring."

"You seea, meester cop, da keed he no canna tella how he know hees owna dog. Dassa good, dassa good, ha! Das how he know, because he know, he canna no describe heesa dog," and he laughed again.

The small boy was now provoked.

"Why, I'll bet you couldn't tell why you know anything or anybody, either. Why, I'll bet you couldn't describe your own wife, if you have one," he added, squinting up one eye nearly closed at the big man with the pitted face.

The big man laughed again.

"Ha! Ha! Dassa good, dassa good. Well," he continued, "you see, das easy, tell how my Carlotta look. She's greata beega, she has greata beega filla way out ina front lika dees," motioning with his free hand. "She'sa greata beega hip, too, you see, Antone he know how she look." And he smiled broadly as the small boy grinned rather queerly up at him.

"Oh, well," the small boy threw back at him. "Lotsa wömen look like that, you might

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BROWNIE
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get 'em mixed up. Is this big lady your 'wife? She looks like you say."

The little woman stepped on the stout lady's foot.

"Oh, wella, you see," the big man explained. "She's not lika my Carlotta. My Carlotta, she's gotta nicea beega brown eyes, she'sa face nicea smooth, nicea pink; my Carlotta, she's nicea look."

He didn't notice the 'snoot' from the fleshy lady.

The little boy laughed.

"Does she do any tricks for you, Mister?" he inquired, looking down at the little brown pup and affectionately stroking her head.

"Oh, she'sa jus' a pup, she don'ta knowa treaks yet."

"Oh, yeah," from the small boy. "If she does a trick for me, can I have her?"

"Yes, for fiva buck, what I pay for her, two dollar for harness, t'ree dollar for pup."

"But I ain't got that much.

Give you five cents, that's all I got,"

"Oh, dat's not 'nuff to buy Antone a good beer. Give me fiva buck."

The pup was still vainly trying to connect a juicy red tongue with a half-eaten lollypop, deftly held just out of reach.

"Want some, Brownie?" The small boy was holding it temptingly just out of reach. A couple of squirms and the little brown pup had pulled herself free from the encircling arms and had thrown herself into position facing the glowing lollypop.

"Have to turn 'round then if you want it."

Two quick hops and she had turned a complete circle. Her nose came close to the coveted lollypop. "More than that," came a quick command.

Around she went, again, and paused. "More," came the command.

Around she went again, around a and around and around, a dizzy blur of a brownish ball.

"Stoppa heem! Stoppa heem!" the big man was shouting, "Heesa gonna breaka da chain, Stoppa heem! Das crazy dog. Here, taka heem away! Taka da chain! Take everyt'ing!"

The boy had got up, taken, and was untangling the chain.

"But, Mister, I haven't got five dol--" he began.

"Das all right, taka heem home. Antone he no lika de money anyhow, Antone he like only spaghetti, and maybe heesa Carlotta. Go on! Go on!" He motioned them away.

The two were now disappearing down the street. Everyone was watching them, including the big dark man.

"Look! Look!" he cried. The two had turned to partly face

him. The boy with his lollypop hand was waving a smiling goodbye.

"Son o' gun," the big man was saying. "Dassa de keed's dog all right, dassa justa two good chums." A broad smile lit up the dark face, and seemed almost to erase the deep pits that had been so noticeable.

Someone was offering to donate toward the amount which had been paid by the big dark man for the little pup.

Being unable to reach the lollypop, the little brown dog was licking industriously at a convenient cheek.

"No, Antone no taka da mon," he told them. "Deesa gentleman wop. By gol, dassa good show, all right."

The crowd was moving slowly away. The big dark man was waving a last hearty foodbye.

As O'Grady moved away upon his beat, he heard the big dark man muttering softly to himself, between hearty chuckles, "By gol das da besta fiva buck I ever a spent."

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Local Items

Mrs. Howard Bywater took her mother, Mrs. Neva Gray, of Lansing, to Ann Arbor for check-up after arthritis treatment.

Mrs. Frances Going of Sheridan has been spending a week with Mrs. Emma Middlesworth and Mrs. Vada Carroll.

Mrs. Ruth Blesch and Jo of Barryton and Mrs. Emma Middlesworth, Mrs. Vada Carroll and Mrs. Frances Going were shopping in Grand Rapids Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Golden of Elkhart, Ind., Mrs. Alma Bell of Leeville, La., Miss Erma Wilson of Los Angeles, Calif., and Mrs. Flora Baker of Ithaca were recent guests at the home of Mrs. J. H. Clark. They are cousins of Dr. Clark.

Mr. and Mrs. Al Allen, Jr., and family of St. Louis were Saturday dinner guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alton Allen, Sr.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Gross were hosts at a birthday party for her father, James Shurlow, and their son, Ernest, whose birthdays occur on the same day. Mr. Shurlow was 92. He lives at the Lutheran Home in Edmore. Thirty-one relatives were present.

Mrs. Joe Wilmot attended the wedding of Richard Flaughner and Kathy Parker at the Weidman Methodist Church Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Lawrence of Horsehead Lake were Monday evening visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Wood.

Dale Bywater of Midland spent Saturday with his father, Tom Bywater, and Mrs. Bywater. Mr. Bywater was not feeling well, but was reported better the first of the week. Mr. and Mrs. N. S. Woodward of Flint also spent Saturday with the Bywaters. Sunday Mr. Bywater's brother, Paul, and wife

of Houghton Lake were afternoon callers. Mary Otterbine and Mrs. Myrtle Duffy of Mt. Pleasant were also Sunday afternoon callers. Dale brought his family with him and spent Sunday afternoon with the Bywaters.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Pierce of Waterford spent from Friday till Sunday with their mother, Mrs. Kit Johnson. Sunday callers were Mr. and Mrs. Charles Johnson and family of Mt. Pleasant, Mr. and Mrs. Fey Johnson and family of Howard City, who brought Mrs. Ida Spohn back after a week's visit. Mrs. Spohn and Mr. and Mrs. Howard Johnson of Yale spent Sunday night at the Johnson home.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Van Ness and Mr. Van Ness' sister and husband, all of Ohio, spent last Thursday with Mrs. Kit Johnson.

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THOMPSONS RECOVERING AFTER ACCIDENT

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Thompson were reported Wednesday afternoon as recovering from serious injuries sustained in an automobile accident in Grand Rapids last week.

Mr. Thompson was at the home of his son, James, this week, after surgery on one of his kneecaps. Both were broken in the accident, and Mr. Thompson expected to go back some time later for surgery on the other knee.

Mrs. Thompson was still in Butterworth Hospital Wednesday, but was reported improving and hoping to be home soon.

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