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Editor's Column

SHERMAN TOWNSHIP HAS A MEETING HALL TO OFFER RESIDENTS FREE OF CHARGE

Sherman Township has a meet-in' hall it is trying to get squared away to offer Sherman Township people a free place for wedding receptions, family gatherings, card parties, and what have you. Sherman Township needs a little help in the way of interest of Sherman Township people to finish the repairs job the Township Board started.

The hall is the history-hallowed, attractive old meeting place of the Busy Bees ladies, who deeded it to the Township of Sherman when the ladies could no longer keep up with upkeep, and that's no laugh.

The Township Board accepted the gift and immediately put on a new roof to save the building. It plans to put a heating stove in and furnish fuel; and it is talking about installing a bottled-gas stove in the kitchen to boot, so it will one day be a completely operative place for gatherings in winter months especially.

The Township Board is not planning to charge for use of the hall. It is an attractive place, the old Busy Bees Hall, known to many of us as the Drew Hall, and we hope it can be completely renovated and used as a community hall for many sorts of gatherings.

An attempt at a public meeting was held last Friday evening, and that afternoon eight ladies went out and scrubbed and cleaned generally. But weather kept all but the very hardiest indoors that night, so the Town Board will try again.

Maybe after Christmas we can toss some card parties, or old-fashioned box socials, pot-luck suppers, or what have you. Paint is needed for the inside, and we could earn enough money for paint, surely, with parties of one kind or another.

The Drew Hall (as Ye Ed knew it) is an historic building that should not be discarded, no matter how many places in Weidman are available for meetings or parties (at a price). The Sherman Town Board plans to charge no fees for use of the Drew Hall. It does need some help in getting a little bit of material to get the place back in apple-pie order. The floor needs sanding. There are some dishes there, but more are needed.

Plenty of tables and benches are part of the place, so you see

Rabies Clinic Scheduled

A rabies vaccination clinic for all dogs will be held next Tuesday evening, Dec. 15, at 7 to 9 p. m., at the Weidman Fire Hall.

All dog owners must show proof of vaccination before a 1965 license can be issued. Cost of the shots is \$1.50.

Veterinarians Dr. J. M. Donaldson of Mt. Pleasant and Dr. Neil B. Stirling of Clare will administer the program.

Dog owners are urged to have their animals at the Fire Hall before the time for shots, as papers must be made out beforehand.

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EDWIN J. BIERSCHBACH CALLS ON THE SKINNERS

Edwin J. Bierschbach of Detroit dropped in at the Messenger office Tuesday afternoon, to get acquainted with the publishers and editors.

Mr. Bierschbach, back in the old days, had sent a long-time subscription to the old Messenger, and he is now back on our mailing list as a long-time paid-up subscriber.

He was on a vacation trip that started the day before Thanksgiving, and planned to return to Detroit Saturday. He had been up North, on a swing-around of the top of the state, from Alpena to the Soo, and Ludington and other places, visiting old friends.

He visited at the Joe Martin home a few days while up in this part of the state.

He is employed at a home for the aged in Detroit, just a mile from the ball park, and said he walks to the ball games in the summer.

It was good to visit with Mr. Bierschbach. Hope he stops in again when he's around here.

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BERT ESTES RECOVERING FROM FLU

Bert Estes suffered a case of flu while recovering from a cataract operation, and was reported Wednesday as some better but weak from the flu disease.

His many friends--and income tax clients--hope he will soon recover fully.

there's not a great deal that has to be done to make this a true Community Meeting Place, at the service of any and all families or organizations that want to use it.

More announcements on meetings there later.

Meantime, the Chippewa Farm Burea was planning to use it on Tuesday evening of this week.

ICE FISHING UNDER WAY ON WEIDMAN POND

Ice fishing on the Weidman Pond is under way, with three fishing shanties on the ice by Tuesday morning. This year's season has begun earlier than usual.

Ice was six inches thick Tuesday, and was considered plenty safe.

Some good bluegills have been taken, along with several pike "keepers". No very large pike have been taken as yet, the average being around 22 inches.

George Skinner sighted a 12-inch brook trout nibbling after his minnow last weekend, and he says it was a beautiful fish. He raised his fishing line and shooed the trout out of there. But it's interesting to know there are good trout in the Weidman Pond.

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46 on Beal City Honor Roll

Second marking period ending Nov. 20.

Ninth Grade: Bob Andres, Kathy Bierschbach, Gary Cotter, Beatrice Fox, Emilie Garrett, Betty Kreamsreiter, Terry Martin, Nancy Powell, Bernadette Pung, Marjorie Rau, Charlotte Slater, Jim Smith.

Tenth Grade: Richard Barz, Charles Burman, Connie Fedewa, Kathy Fussman, Loretta Jones, Patricia Kavanaugh, Bill Neubecker, Sharon Pasch, Linda Pohl, Vicki Pohl, Linda Quillen, Jean Rau, RoseAnn Reihl, George Schafer, Peter Schafer, Jean Schmidt, Kenneth Schmidt, John Tilmann.

Eleventh Grade: Susan Burman, MaryAnn Clare, Connie Clevenger, Mary Garrett, Rosanne Potter, Donna Schafer, Patricia Sheahan, Nancy Straus, Dave Thielen, Anne Young.

Twelfth Grade: Linda Stevens, Elka Kolb, Carol Jones, Janet Fox, Alice Fox, Linda Fedewa.

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WBA NAMES NEW OFFICERS FOR YEAR

At its December meeting, the Weidman Business Association named Alton Allen president, Jerry Middlesworth vice president; Clarence Dillenbeck was re-elected treasurer, and Ray Shook re-elected secretary.

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Mr. and Mrs. Ralph McCreight and children spent last weekend with his folks, Mr. and Mrs. John McCreight, in Midland

Funeral Services Tuesday for Former Resident

Ethel Mae Bunting of Lansing died Saturday, Dec. 5, at her home. Until the last 10 years of her life, Mrs. Bunting had been a resident of the Two Rivers area for 54 years.

She was born April 8, 1892, in Eaton County.

Funeral services were held Dec. 8 at a funeral home in Mt. Pleasant, with interment in the Two Rivers Cemetery.

Surviving are her husband, Cleon, of Lansing; a daughter, Mrs. Russell (Bernadine) Johnson of Mt. Pleasant; two sons, Fred and Wayne Bunting, of Lansing, and six grandchildren.

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HOLIDAY PROGRAMS AT WEIDMAN SCHOOL

Christmas programs are in the making at the Weidman Community School. Here is a list of them beginning next Tuesday, Dec. 15.

On that evening, Seventh Graders will go caroling from 7 to 10 p. m.

Thursday, Dec. 17, the Junior and Senior High Christmas Concert will be held in the auditorium 8 p. m.

Friday, Dec. 18, the Elementary Christmas Program will be presented at 4.30 o'clock in the afternoon.

Saturday, Dec. 19, Eighth Graders will go caroling, 7 p. m. to 10 p. m.

Monday, Dec. 21, Senior High Caroling Party, 7 p. m. to 10.

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OFF TO FLORIDA FOR THE WINTER

Mr. and Mrs. Alva Cummins left last week Wednesday morning for Ruskin, Florida, for the winter, in their trailer.

Floyd Dutcher also expected to leave Wednesday morning for the same town in Florida.

Alva came in and arranged to have his Messenger sent there for the winter, so's he wouldn't miss an issue.

Alva said he takes the Louisville, Ky., route, hauling his trailer, staying west of Chattanooga and mainly out of the mountains.

Word from Mrs. Cummins' sister, already at Ruskin, was that the trailer park was full up, except for the Cummins lot, which was waiting their arrival.

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WANT ADS

ROOMS WANTED--for three cats and three kittens born in July. Two have long hair. One is a white fuzzy long-haired cat. Call at the Meryl Graham home, first corner north of the Weidman Mill Pond, west side of road. dec11tf

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

CHRISTMAS TREES--Sprayed for color, also natural. Very good trees. \$1 natural. Elwood, Miller, tel. 644-3602. Four miles west of Weidman on Airline Rd. to Wyman Rd., 1/4 mile north, approx. 1 mile west and north. 11Dec13

NOTICE--The George Skinner place in Weidman (the Minnie I. Roe farm) is posted for NO HUNTING. We are protecting wildlife on our wilderness land. There will be no trapping on this place. We are a refuge for rabbits, deer, raccoons, game birds. Audubon people welcome at any time. George Skinner, 2698 Airline Road, Weidman.

FOR SALE--Wanda Graham still has lots of toys, ceramics, and jewelry gifts and plastic houseware left to sell. Anyone interested please call Weidman, 644-2170. Oct. 23tf

FOR SALE--Complete Ski Outfit. One pair 5 1/2 ft. J.C. Higgins skis with Swiss safety bindings; one pair Swiss double boots, size 5; one pair ski poles; set of 3 wax bases; all for \$50. M.L. McArthur, ph. 644-3939, after 5 p.m. Dec. 11 t1

FOR SALE--Xmas Trees, \$1.00 each. Mrs. Fred Wilcox, Weidman, or call 644-3490. Dec. 11t3p

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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. . 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.

Thirteen ladies attended the meeting of the Missionary Society at the home of Opal Denslow last Thursday afternoon. A quilt was tied for Mrs. Hulbert. Plans were made for a baked goods sale and some bazaar articles to be held at the laundrymat at Remus Saturday, Dec. 12, starting at 10 a.m. Plans for a Christmas party for the adults of the church, with a pot-luck supper at 6.30 Dec. 18, with gift exchange not to exceed \$1. Those who care to give fruit or groceries for Christmas baskets are to bring them to the church Sunday, Dec. 13.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Cummins and Rev. and Mrs. Shook and daughter of near Greenville were Sunday guests of Rev. and Mrs. Hulbert. All attended services Sunday evening at Forest Hill. The special singing by the Shooks and Hulberts and our youth was greatly appreciated.

The youth are practicing for a three-act Christmas play to be given on Sunday evening, Dec. 20, at Forest Hill Church. The younger children are to give recitations and songs, also.

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Edmore Hospital Dropped From Blue Cross

Michigan Blue Cross has terminated its participating contracts with five small state hospitals, it was announced this weekend.

Included in the five is the Edmore Hospital. D. Eugene Sibery director of the hospital affairs division of Michigan Hospital Service, said poor quality care was the reason for the action. He said several other hospitals are under scrutiny.

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REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

(Published in this paper through the courtesy of Roy H. Zingery, Register of Deeds.)

Trustees of the Busy Bees to Sherman Township, pt. w 1/4 of w 1/4, sec. 27, Sherman.

Emil N. Phillips and wife to Clarence Talsma and wife, se 1/4 nw 1/4, Sec. 31, Gilmore.

Rua D. Baker to A. Delos Baker and wife, sw 1/4 se 1/4, sec-25, Deerfield.

Holiday Estates, Inc. to Jerry J. Sheahan and wife, lot 4, Holiday Estates.

Harvey E. Meade and wife to Charles A. Reihl and wife, 1/2 ne 14, sec. 27, Broomfield.

Richard A. Tilmann and wife

et al to Ojibwa Development Co. ne 1/4 sec. 2, Sherman.

Isabella Co. Sportsmen's Club to Chippewa Valley Audubon Club of Central Mich. University se 1/4 ne 1/4, sec. 32, Deerfield.

Joseph H. Gruss and wife to Norman H. Rau and wife, pt. se 1/4 ne 1/4, sec. 9, Deerfield.

Mamie McCormick to Bernard J. McCormick and wife, sw 1/4 sw 1/4, sec. 13, Deerfield.

Earl E. Fordyce and wife to William McLachlan and wife, Lot 37, Prospect Park No. 3.

Wm. Himebaugh and wife to Clifford Himebaugh and wife, sw 1/4 se 1/4, Deerfield.

Warren J. DuPee and wife to Ovid M. Riggs & wf., se 1/4 nw 1/4; e 1/2 ne 1/4 sw 1/4, sec. 18, Gilmore.

James Torpey to Alger R. Hansen and wife, pt. e 1/2 ne 1/4 ne 1/4, sec. 24, Deerfield.

Earl B. Blodgett and wife to Michael J. Murhpy, pt. e 1/2 ne 1/4, sec. 31, Gilmore.

Herbert W. Hochrein and wife to Lyle O. Demlow and wife, nw 1/4 se 1/4, sec. 36, Sherman.

John W. Bistrickey and wife to Jacob A. Stirneman and wife, se 1/4 sw 1/4, sec. 10, Gilmore.

Thurlow Kelly and wife to Thomas L. Graham and wife, Lot 7, Supervisor's Plat West View Shores.

Thomas L. Graham and wife to Wm. M. Siegel and wife, Lot 7, West View Shores.

Irvin Newman, Jr., and wife to Floyd H. Wood, ne 1/4 ne 14 sec. 4, Rolland; sw 1/4 sw 1/4, sec. 34, Broomfield.

Hermione Smith to Robert E. Sunan and wife, Lots 10 and 11, Blk. 33, Weidman.

Herbert M. Hochrein and wife to Roy Johnson and wife, ne 1/2 nw 1/4 ne 1/4, sec. 36, Sherman.

George R. Bates and wife to Margery J. Gates, Lot 16, Shady Beach Plat, Halls Lake.

John M. Schafer and wife to Thomas J. Schafer and wife, 1/2 n 1/2 sw 1/4, sec. 19, Notawata.

Daniel Stacy and wife to Harold R. Verleger and wife, e 1/2 sw 1/4, sec. 36, Deerfield.

Flossie M. Jones to Douglas Ray Moore and wife, Lot 26, Phil House's Holiday Beach No. 1.

Stewart C. McArthur and wife to George J. Stebbins and wife, pt. ne 1/4 se 1/4, sec. 10, Isabella.

Bernard W. Garchow and wife to Frank B. Otto and wife, Lot 9, Supervisors Plat of the Second Addition, West View Shores.

Sch. Dist. of the City of Mt. Pleasant to Russell E. Galer and wife, pt. sw 1/4 sw 1/4, sec. 25, Deerfield.

Fred A. Grewe and wife to Al Wight and wife, Lot 49, Coldwater Lake Shores

West Gilmore

Lena Cole, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kobel spent Saturday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Paul Cole and Velma. Mr. and Mrs. Payton Geasler and other, Mrs. Joe Geasler, and sister, Jo Geasler, and Miss Joey Wilson spent the weekend in Lansing with their son and brother and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. John Geasler. They also did some shopping.

Elam Seymour underwent surgery last week Tuesday at the Midland hospital, and was reported as getting along fine. He had been there seven weeks. Mrs. Seymour and son Donald and her daughter, spent Tuesday at the hospital with him, and have visited him as often as possible.

Mrs. Fanny Hunt and sister, Mrs. Thel Rickels, called on their cousins, the Paul Coles, Thursday evening.

Merry-Go-Round Club met on Thursday with Mrs. Lena St. John, for their Christmas party.

Mrs. Ruby Douglas has been sick with a sore throat.

Jack Renner was reported as not doing well, in Little Traverse hospital in Petoskey.

A subscription to the Weidman Messenger is a wonderful Christmas gift. It goes on and on, every week, and you can take out a year's subscription, six months or three months. All are gifts that keep on giving.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Revitzer and daughter, who were here to attend the funeral of his foster-son and aunt, Mrs. Mary Walker, started home Friday. By the weather, it was a good time to leave.

Paul Cole called on Mr. and Mrs. Henry Kobel Friday morning.

Mrs. Charlotte Hart called on Mrs. Agnes Fuller and Mrs. Harriet Walker Thursday.

Stanley Shaner spent Saturday night with his Grandmother Hart. Mrs. Hart called on Mrs. Robert North Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Cole and Mrs. Charlotte Hart called at the funeral home in Farwell Tuesday evening to see Mrs. Mary Walker, whose funeral was on Wednesday. Ralph Turnbull called on Mr. and Mrs. Albert Geasler Wednesday evening.

Mrs. Martin Boger and Mrs. Wm. Jones visited Mrs. Boger's mother, Mrs. Joe Geasler, of rural Mt. Pleasant, Monday. Mrs. Geasler remains quite spry.

George Beers and Wm. Holmes did some cement work for the Albert Geaslers this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Turnbull spent Thursday in Lansing, Mr. Turnbull on business, and Mrs. Turnbull doing some shopping. Roby and Timmy stayed with grandma and Grandpa Boger. German Geasler began his stud-

ies at Ferris Institute Tuesday.

Edgar Wardwell and sons, Dennis and Eddie, of Mt. Pleasant, and Edgar's father-in-law, Mr. Hatt, of Flint, called on Edgar's uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Cole, Sunday, and did some hunting. They bagged 10 rabbits. Mr. and Mrs. Lester Swan of Mt. Pleasant were also guests of the Coles Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Curtis and mother, Mrs. Charlotte Hart, spent Sunday in Mt. Pleasant, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Bruce.

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Walker Creek News

Mrs. Esther Stanley, Reporter

Floyd (Buck) Sowles, a brother of Mrs. Lena St. John, was taken to Lakeview Hospital Saturday night. He had a heart attack from over-exertion, it was reported, fox-hunting that day. Mrs. Lena St. John and son-in-law, Clayton Beutler, visited him Sunday p. m. and found him getting along o. k.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Zill went to Saginaw for the weekend, to visit his folks, Mr. and Mrs. Rolland Zill, and do some Christmas shopping.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Moore of Big Rapids and Mr. and Mrs. Russell Stanley and Chester Lynch were Saturday evening guests of the Donald Stanleys. Marty, Ricky and Sherry Stanley have chicken pox.

Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Rosser of Evart were Sunday supper guests of the former's brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Dosenberry.

Gregory Leiter spent Sunday night with his uncle, Vance Loomis, and went to school from there Monday morning.

Manley Oliver and daughter, Mrs. Marguerite Coleman, were Tuesday p. m. callers of the former's daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Hazen Thompson.

Mrs. Hazen Thompson attended the Missionary meeting of the Forest Hill Church of God, at the home of Mrs. Jay Denslow Thursday p. m.

Mrs. Gilbert Schrock is now working in the jewelry department at the Yankee Store in Mt. Pleasant.

Mrs. Lyle Denslow reports a call from their son, Dale, who is stationed at Fort Riley, Kansas, to let them know he will have a furlough Jan. 5, and will be home for two weeks or more.

Brian Dargitz, a grandson of the Denslows, had his tonsils removed Dec. 7 at the Big Rapids Community Hospital.

Sunday dinner guests of the Lou Grays were their grandson and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Gray, and daughter, Pamela, of Lansing; their daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Ley, and sons of Conklin, and son and

wife, Mr. and Mrs. Loren Gray, and family, of Mt. Pleasant. Their son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Duane Gray, and family were callers Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas G. Moore of Big Rapids spent Saturday night and Sunday at the home of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Stanley.

David Moore, a grandson of the Stanleys, is spending a few days with them, from his studies at Ferris, and work at the Pizza Palace in Big Rapids.

Arthur Schrock attended the funeral of an old neighbor, Mrs. Julia Young, at Mt. Pleasant Sun-


day. He visited his mother, Mrs. Nella Schrock, of Riverdale, and took her to church at Strickland.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Pung and four children of Beal City were Sunday dinner guests of her parents, the Russell Stanleys. Mrs. Donald Stanley, accompanied by Mrs. Thomas Moore and Mrs. Donald Pung, went Christmas shopping in Mt. Pleasant Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Dillenbeck were Sunday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Middlesworth in Weidman.

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BETTER THAN A LETTER



Christmas


SHOP EASY AT

G DILLENBECK'S STORE

Gifts

RIGHT HERE IN WEIDMAN!

gift fragrances



Jewelry

EVENING IN PARIS

... TABU ...

MAX FACTOR


SCHIAPARELLI

... BLANCHARD

... TUSSY

MEN'S SHAVING NEEDS

MEN'S GIFTS



TOYS

SCHRAFFT'S CANDY

Christmas time

COACH TOM GALLANT

"We have a pretty good basketball team this year," Weidman coach Tom Gallant said this week. "We'll win some games. In its first game, with the powerful Brimley five, I thought our team did a respectable job, it being the first game of the season."

"Sacred Heart of Mt. Pleasant, a Class C school, beat Brimley by a very narrow margin. Sacred Heart has a couple of over-six-footers on its team, and they all worked hard, the whole team, to beat Brimley. We'll see some good games here this winter."

The coach has five Seniors and seven Juniors on the varsity team. On the junior varsity team are 11 players, mainly Freshmen.

The year's game schedule is as follows:

- Dec. 11--St. Stephens, Saginaw, here.
 - Dec. 18--Mecosta-Remus, here.
 - Jan. 8--Vestaburg, here.
 - Jan. 9--Vestaburg, here.
 - Jan. 15--St. Mary's Carson City, here.
 - Jan. 16--Ire Roy, there.
 - Jan. 29--St. Stephens, Saginaw, here.
 - Feb. 5--Au Gres, here.
 - Feb. 9--Blanchard, here.
 - Feb. 12--Vestaburg, there.
 - Feb. 16--St. Mary's Carson City, here.
 - Feb. 26--Au Gres, there.
 - Feb. 27--LeRoy, here.
- The schedule for the junior varsity team is:
- Dec. 16 (7 p. m.)--Vestaburg, here.
 - Jan. 20--Vestaburg, there.
 - Jan. 27--Mecosta-Remus, here.
 - Feb. 3--Meridian, there.
 - Feb. 10--Blanchard, here.

THE GIFT THAT KEEPS ON GIVING---
A subscription to the Weidman Messenger. You can take out One Year, Six Months or Three Months subscriptions. At the office or see Charlie Gross.

East Coldwater
Esther Skinner, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Sisco called on Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Olger and family Monday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Olger were in Mt. Pleasant Wednesday.

Jim Latham won third place in Weidman on his 8-point buck.

Harold Skinner made a business trip to Belding Monday, Wednesday and Thursday last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Olger and Joyce and Dale were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Sisco and boys.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Smith and Mrs. Ted Smith and Jim were Sunday dinner guests at the same Smith home in Greenville.

Local Items

Mr. and Mrs. Nuel Donley and Tommy, Mr. and Mrs. Mort Donley and Mr. and Mrs. James Young, and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Donley, Sr., all of Big Rapids, and Mrs. Martha Ebelt, also of Big Rapids, and Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Middlesworth were Thanksgiving dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Donley and Kimberly. Mr. and Mrs. Doug Middlesworth of Lansing were afternoon callers.

Mrs. Clayton Raub spent four days last week in Flint, with relatives.

Marion Johnson of Deerfield Center was a Monday luncheon guest at the home of his son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph McCreight.

Mrs. Bessie Teall received a nice letter from Blanche Cliff, who is spending the winter at 646 West Vista, Apartment F, Ontario, California. Blanche has relatives out there, and is visiting them while there.

Sherri Johnson spent Wednesday night with Kathy and Clay McCreight while their mother, Mrs. Lynn Johnson, was in Grand Rapids.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Kirvan of Grand Rapids, Mrs. Linda Krueger and children spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Leo Wood. Thursday Rev. and Mrs. Cook of Clare were callers. Monday Jerry Dent and Bob Kirvan were visitors. Herb Lawrence of Horsehead Lake was

also a caller. Mr. and Mrs. Roy Wood of Bay City were Sunday visitors. Mrs. Flora Wood called Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Sheldon were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Wilmot, honoring John's birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. James Noe of Perry have bought the former Kaninsky place, remodeled and rebuilt by Allen Lumber Company, on the Airline Road on the edge of Weidman. The Ralph McCreights who now live there, will move to the Eva Carr house. The two families expect to move after the first of the year.

Mrs. Joe Wilmot entertained at dinner Sunday in honor of the 82nd birthday of her father, John Sheldon. Present, besides the Sheldons, were Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Latham, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Chaffee, Wilbur Sheldon, all of Grand Rapids; and Mr. and Mrs. John Sheldon, Jr., and Rosie Leiter, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Voss, and Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Flaughner.

THE CHARLES BLESCH FAMILY OFF TO THE WEST

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Blesch and daughter, Jo, plan to leave Monday for San Pedro, Calif., to spend the winter. They have rented a house right next door to Jean's, and are looking forward to a good winter in a warm climate. They will drive through.

BETTER THAN A LETTER

BEAL CITY SCHOOL BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

- Dec. 1--Blanchard, there, lost 71-48.
- Dec. 4--Harrison, here, lost 80-60.
- Dec. 11--Coleman, there.
- Dec. 18--Farwell, here.
- Jan. 5--Lake City, there.
- Jan. 8--Barryton, there.
- Jan. 12--Sacred Heart, there.
- Jan. 15--Marion, here.
- Jan. 19--Evart, here.
- Jan. 22--Harrison, there.
- Jan. 29--Coleman, here.
- Feb. 2--Blanchard, here.
- Feb. 5--Farwell, there.
- Feb. 12--Lake City, here.
- Feb. 16--Barryton, here.
- Feb. 19--Marion, there.
- Feb. 26--Evart, there.

ANNUAL MEETING ISABELLA COUNTY DAIRY HERD IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION

The Isabella County Dairy Herd Improvement Association held its annual meeting at Weidman for the first time, the Eastern Star ladies serving 55 ham dinners to the members and guests.

The featured speaker for the evening showed pictures of his South American trip. This, besides the County Extension Agent, was the entire entertainment program.

The Well Child Immunization Clinic and Conference will be held Dec. 16 at the Methodist Church basement, beginning at 1 o'clock p. m.

GOVER CITY Christmas SALE

Starts **FRIDAY, DEC. 11**

TOYS TOYS TOYS

MEN'S LINED DRESS GLOVES 98¢ PAIR

AFTER SKI BOOTS 2.77 PAIR

POLY BAGGED GIFT BLANKETS 2.68

Ladies' Flannel SLEEPWEAR 2.47

Clearance Prices ON ALL WINTER COATS

Men's--Ladies--Boys'--Girls'

GOVER CITY

MT. PLEASANT, MICH.

TREMENDOUS SAVINGS IN EVERY DEPARTMENT

2.77 PAIR

2.47

Hooded Sweat Shirts 1.99

Men's heavy-weight fleeced hooded shirt with muff. Double hood with drawstring ground hood. Rib cuff and bottom.

ALL MEN'S SIZES

Open til 9 Every Day Until Christmas

S. W. Sherman

Goldie Dutcher, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hines spent last Tuesday in Mancelona, visiting cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Goodenough. Mrs. Goodenough had just returned home from the hospital a few days before.

Several of the Farm Bureau and Busy Bee ladies cleaned the Drew Hall last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Garry Dutcher and family called on the Red McDaniel family Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Tupper and family of Mt. Pleasant spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Roland Merrihew and family.

Mr. and Mrs. George Merrihew visited Mr. and Mrs. Chris Comstock of Blanchard Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher called on Mr. and Mrs. George Woodin

one evening last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Dutcher spent Monday afternoon and evening with Mrs. Clinton Secord and sons. Goldie took her mother a birthday cake to help her celebrate her 81st birthday, which was Monday.

Mrs. Lucille Merrihew and Mrs. Marilyn Beutler attended the annual meeting of the United Brethren Church in Mt. Pleasant last Tuesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Beutler of Weidman were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Beutler and children.

Floyd Dutcher spent last Tuesday night with the Clayton Dutcher family and left Wednesday morning for Ruskin, Fla.

Mrs. Ervin Dutcher and Mrs. Clayton Dutcher attended a display party at the home of Mrs. Gerald Losey Thursday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Gaudard and children of Midland spent Sunday

with her folks, Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher. They called on Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher, Jr., and family Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dutcher and

children of Midland spent the weekend with the Clayton Dutchers. The Richard Dutcher family were Saturday evening callers.

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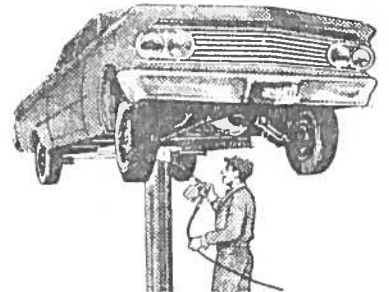
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Around Horr

Jessie Rosencrantz, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Dent and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Krueger and baby had supper in Mt. Pleasant Tuesday evening. On Wednesday they were shopping in Greenville.

Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Johnson and baby were Sunday evening callers at the Gerald Dent home.

Mrs. Deborah Benn was feeling better Sunday.

Last Monday Mr. and Mrs. Myrl Scott called at the Sidney Lawrence home.

Mr. and Mrs. Garth Lawrence and Pam spent Saturday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Lawrence. Mrs. Miller and son were Saturday p. m. callers.

Nancy and Patti Losey were Sunday dinner guests of Uncle Bill and Aunt Jessie Rosencrantz.

Sandra and Carol Gross were Sunday evening guests of the Gerald Losey family. Mr. and Mrs. Larry Gross and Curt and Mr. and Mrs. Basil Barnes were Saturday evening callers.

Eighteen ladies attended a party at the home of Mrs. Marilyn Losey Thursday evening.

Mrs. Lydia Snider was a Sunday dinner guest of Mrs. Eva Denslow.

Billy and Bobby Thompson attended a Cub Scout meeting in Remus Thursday evening.

Mrs. Betty Thompson expected to be in Lansing Tuesday, where her mother underwent surgery for the removal of a cataract on her eye.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Johnson spent Saturday night at the Frank Benn home, and also called on the Benn Johnsons.

Mr. and Mrs. Oral Bunting were Saturday evening callers at the Sterling Oplinger home.

Mr. and Mrs. Keith Baker and son Scott were weekend visitors of her mother, Mrs. Margaret Denslow.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Appelgreen and Mr. and Mrs. Howard Wood were Sunday afternoon callers at the Vance Wood home.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Dutcher were Thursday supper guests at the Charlie Losey home. Mrs. Minnie Strauch was an overnight guest.

Mrs. Ellen Thompson and Mrs. Betty Thompson called on Mrs. Deborah Benn last week.

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Local Items

Mrs. Tracy Bywater returned from the hospital last week, with the baby. They were reported as doing well.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Embrey attended the 25th wedding anniversary of Carl's cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Large, near Six Lakes, Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Lew Frantz was still in the Mt. Pleasant hospital the first of the week. She was improving at that time.

BETTER THAN A LETTER

Beal City

Dora Smith, Reporter

Mrs. Ida Berg of Rosebush spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Schafer and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Pung and Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Keefer motored to St. Louis Tuesday to visit Mrs. Abbie Grace at the Golden Acres Home.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Schafer returned home last Tuesday after a two weeks' visit in New York.

Mrs. Wm. Faber is in the hospital in Saginaw.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Schafer entertained the Rhum Bunch Wednesday evening.

Quite a number from here attended the funeral of Mrs. Evelyn Gibson at Mt. Pleasant Saturday. A number also attended the funeral of Mrs. Dorothea Forman in Clare last Wednesday.

Mrs. Luella Smith and Mrs. Clara Breuer entertained the Twenty Grand Club Saturday evening. Rita Hauck, Ada Andres, Clarence Schueller and Donald Tilmann won the prizes.

Gertrude Droske of Mt. Pleasant called on Louise and Anna Smith Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Pung, Mr. and Mrs. Steve Pung and Mr. and Mrs. Norman Tilmann went North Sunday afternoon and brought back their bus they had up there while hunting deer.

Mrs. Pat Horan spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Joe Marciano at Coldwater Lake.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Breuer spent Wednesday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Schafer.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Schueller of Cadillac spent the weekend with relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. Duane Huber of Mt. Pleasant spent Tuesday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Harold Block.

Mr. and Mrs. Tony Schafer spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Schafer of Winn.

Mrs. Geraldine and Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Sheppard spent Wednesday evening with Mrs. Sheppard at Mt. Pleasant.

Mrs. Harold Vogel spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Howard Breuer.

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This 'way-out ad brought results in three weeks--a record for any newspaper trying to get results from an ad like this, we claim. Here's the ad, and you've probably seen it and scoffed, "They will never get it!" But a little Messenger want ad got it. The Messenger is not thrown away, it is treasured each week, and read from the first word to the last.

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In the Editor's Mail

We borrowed this letter from Amelia Wieber, as we thought it very interesting, and people would want to hear from an old friend and Weidman resident, Ann Snyder:
Dear Amelia:

This is Thanksgiving, and I spend it by myself. I was invited to my brother Fred's, but my lady friend, who takes me, had all her kids home from Illinois, so couldn't go. How did you spend it?

It's real cold here since yesterday (Nov. 25). We got an inch of snow last night.

That was a nice picture of the hunters and deer on the front page of the paper. I enjoy the paper. I hear there have been a lot of deaths. Was so shocked when Fey Middlesworth died, and then Earl Hammond.

I'm fine, how are you? Hal-lowe'en my lady friend and I got a cat outfit and went to my brother's tavern at Rib Lake to a masquerade party and dance. Sure had a good time. We won a prize. We stayed all night at my brother's home.

How is your brother-in-law, Mr. Fussman? Elsie, my sister, feels good now.

Mrs. Clark seems to have a lot of company. Glad she is well. Write soon and tell everybody

Hello. Love, Ann.

Hello, Everybody Back Home:

I received your letter, Connie. Was glad to hear from you. It always gives me a boost when I get mail from home.

I was over in Death Valley yesterday. Sure was nice. I am working in my rocks every day. Have got some nice pieces made up. Will show when I get back home.

My son out here and I have taken on a deal to make up pen and desk sets for a party. They are beautiful. I get \$20 for them out here.

Made some nice rings, ladies' and men's. Made one for myself out of moss agate which I prize very highly.

Love to everybody. Your friend, Frank Thorp, 401-A Thompson, China Lake, California.

Dear Connie:

Oooh! A few people on the street got a laugh out of that last news item, that was fixed up a little

Do you know what they asked me? "If the James Boys or the Dalton Gang went to school with us at that time?"

"Oh, yes," I said. "And Belle Starr, too."

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Minnie Hartupee.

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Mrs. Singleton Moses, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Flaughter spent Sunday at the Joe Wilnot home in Weidman. Everyone helped John Sheldon, who was a guest, to celebrate his birthday.

Saturday dinner guests at the Raymond Flaughter home were Mr. and Mrs. Richard Flaughter and Mrs. Russell Flaughter and children.

Miss Helen Saunders spent the weekend at home with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Saunders.

Sunday dinner guests at the Saunders home were Mr. and Mrs. Spechi of Detroit and Mr. and Mrs. Merlone of Saginaw. Everyone attended open house at Central Michigan University in the afternoon.

Kenneth Saunders attended a conference at the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor Saturday. It has been learned that Mrs. Leon Bunting passed away this past weekend. Mrs. Bunting was a member of this community for many years. Our sympathy to the Oral Bunting family in the loss of their sister-in-law.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Martin spent Tuesday at Saginaw General Hospital with Mrs. Ed. Martin who has been very ill. It has been learned by the family that Ed Martin passed away Dec. 7.

The most heartfelt sympathy of friends and neighbors are extended to the Martin family.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Larson and family spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chris Larson. Melvin Hunt of Shepherd visited his cousin, Mrs. Louis Baker, this past week.

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Nottawa

Madeline Stevens, Reporter

Miss Susie Schafer of Grand Rapids spent a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Schafer.

Mrs. Clyde Johnston, Mrs. Bill Stewart and Mrs. Tom Schafer were in Lansing shopping Monday.

Richard and Pat Schmidt spent a weekend with their folks, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Schmidt.

Mrs. Minnie Rhode and Harold visited Mr. and Mrs. Richard Stevens Sunday evening.

The North Star Club enjoyed a chicken dinner Sunday at the hotel in Farwell.

Several couples from the Beal City Square Dance Club attended the Farwell Hoedown Saturday evening at the Farwell High school with Darell Figg of Traverse City calling. On Wednesday evening five sets danced at the Beal City multi-purpose room with their caller, Duval First of Posebush, calling. There will be a combined Christmas party Dec.

17 with the newly-organized group, with a pot-luck lunch after dish dancing. Everyone bring a dish to pass and table service.

Mr. and Mrs. Raldon Pasch entertained the "Four Aces" Club Saturday evening. Prizes were won by Micky and Joe Reihl and Mabel Woodbury.

The family of Mrs. Wm. Faber went to see her Thursday at St. Mary's Hospital in Saginaw.

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North Weidman

Wanda Graham, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. John Gott and Becky Graham visited the Marvin Allens and Richard Gotts of Farwell, and the Carl Gotts and Dale Aldrich family of Clare Dec. 1.

Dick Sperry was called to Holly Carburetor in Clare one day last week for an interview.

Mrs. Arlene King spent Tuesday evening with Wanda Graham and girls. Meryl had a meeting in Farwell.

Muriel Leiter spent Saturday evening with Arlene King in Weidman.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Carmen and daughter of Lake Station called on Mr. and Mrs. Meryl Graham Wednesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Gott of Clare visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Gott, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Burden and family visited his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Sid Stine, at Altona Sunday.

Mrs. Walter Smith and Wally spent Monday evening with Mrs. Jack Burden and children.

Mrs. John Gott and Mrs. Meryl Graham attended the funeral of Mrs. Gott's aunt, Rena Rhynard, at Alma, Tuesday afternoon.

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West Nottawa

Amelia Wieber, Reporter

Mrs. Matt Kornexl called on Amelia Wieber last Thursday evening. She said Matt is in the Veterans' Hospital in Detroit for two months now, and will be there all of two more months. It was reported he was not getting along very well.

Ernie Rhode is driving a new Mercury car.

Mrs. Wm. Faber is in a Saginaw hospital for surgery. Her operation was Monday, and she was reported as getting along pretty well.

Mrs. Bert Simmer entertained the Willing Workers Club Thursday afternoon last week. Two visitors, Loretta Lorenz and Flo Hauck, were present. Two tables of pepper were played. The hostess served her guests a lovely lunch.

Mrs. Ed Faber and baby girl came home Dec. 2 from the Alma hospital. Her mother, Mrs. Joe Wawersik, stayed with her two

days.

Mrs. Matt Kornexl was taken to Community Hospital in Mt. Pleasant Tuesday.

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FARM BUREAU HOLDS MEETING IN DREW HALL

The Chippewa Farm Bureau Group held its Christmas party

Tuesday evening at the Drew Hall in southwest Sherman.

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Maycie Cook, Reporter

Mrs. E. R. Rhode and Harold called at the Mt. Pleasant hospital Sunday to see her sister, Mrs. Mary Cook who has been there this past week.

Mrs. Nettie Crowley, Maycie Cook and Minnie Rhode spent Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. Vida Lueder, when she entertained her Birthday Club. Cards were played, prizes were awarded, and a lovely lunch served.

Miss Myrtle Walch of Remus, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Cook and children, and Miss Elsie Richardson

enjoyed birthday dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Will Cook Thursday evening, in honor of Mrs. Bob Cook's birthday. Miss Walch was an overnight guest of the Cooks, and Friday she went to Detroit to spend the winter with a sister, Mrs. Nettie Meissner.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Cook and Stewart called on Mrs. Nettie Meissner of Detroit Friday, and Mr. and Mrs. Otto Wiley of Northville, after Stewart's checkup at Ann Arbor. They drove in much snow and ice down that way.

The Edmore Hospital Guild No. 9 met with Mrs. Maycie Cook Tuesday evening.

Herman and Aliance Cook and Mrs. Glee Krueger and children

were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Orville Klumpp of Winn. The Lutheran Aid met Wednesday evening at the home of Mrs. Maynard Strong.

The children of the Lutheran Church are practicing for the Christmas program at the church which will be Christmas Eve, Dec. 24.

Mrs. E. R. Rhode and Harold spent Sunday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Richard Stevens.

Mrs. Ethel Carrick and Mrs. Jennie Daggett have been visiting relatives in Virginia.

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Mrs. Jib Hall of Barryton was a Monday caller of Mrs. R. D. Sprague.

Local Items

Roy Adams returned home from CMC Hospital Sunday, after surgery. He was feeling good.

Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Allen and family spent Nov. 28 with her sister family, the Bud Richardsons, Jackson.

Mrs. Lyda Cole of Perry is visiting at the home of her granddaughter, Mrs. Ivan Allen, and family.

Mrs. Will J. Smith was a Sunday dinner guest of Mr. and Mrs. D. Smith and family.

Mrs. Leon McArthur went back to Ford Hospital Wednesday, for observation beginning Thursday.

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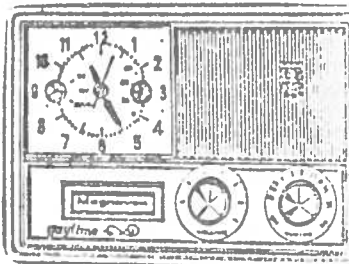
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