

# The Weidman Messenger



Here's how some of the fish shanties looked on the Weidman Pond Saturday morning. A freak weather condition, allowing these fish-houses to become marooned and derelict in a relatively small area while most of the Pond had eight-inch good ice.

The shanties that went under were on or near the north channel of the Pond.

About 15 men from Beal City and Nottawa decided to save their own and anybody else's house they could.

They did well. It was a near-impossible job, but not for ice-fishermen with fishing shanties at stake. Here is shown how they put 4x6's under an edge of a shanty to pry it up, and then get a rope around it. The shanty they are working on in this photo was well-nigh submerged.



They got 'em out. One by one they went into the laborious routine of prying, lassoing, and then heaving the shanties up out of the water and thence across the ice to safer locations.

That stuff they're sloshing around here in isn't ice with snow-caps on, either. It's water. There was too much water on the ice for comfort or complete safety, in the rescue operations.



Messenger Photos  
Graham Studio

## FISH SHANTIES THREATENED IN FRIDAY, SATURDAY THAW

Freak water conditions threatened a good number of fish shanties on the Weidman Pond last Friday and Saturday. Four shanties sank, but were retrieved. Several nearly went through the ice but rescuers from Beal City hauled them off just in time.

With ice eight inches thick on the average, Friday's quick thaw and Friday night's and Saturday's winds kept water lapping around the shanties over the channel of the north stream through the Pond, and by Saturday morning their situation was definitely precarious.

A work-team of about 15 men from Nottawa and Beal City went to work with six-inch timbers and ropes, plus plenty of man-power, and hauled off the threatened shanties, including those that had sunk through the ice.

Russell Tilmann, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Tilmann of Beal City, got drenched with icy water when he went through thin ice and was immediately rescued.

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### NEWS NOTE

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Embrey visited his cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Troyk, in Mancelona, Sunday afternoon.

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## Weidman School Chief Resigning

Kelvin W. Chambers of the Weidman Community Schools has announced his resignation as superintendent, effective as of Aug. 1. He is completing his second year at Weidman.

He came here from Carsonville, where he was principal and then superintendent for a period of seven years. Previous to that he had served nine years as math and science teacher at Barryton.

Mr. Chambers has accomplished a great deal for the Weidman School and the community, in the short time he has been here.

The Weidman School was a dubious proposition when he took the helm in 1963, and he has put the school on an even keel and increased harmony in the community as a whole.

Among his endeavors which were successful while here, he has enlarged the school's curriculum; worked for getting the district back into accreditation; put the school library into a separate

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# WANT ADS

**APPRECIATION**--The Weidman Messenger appreciates the fine work on pictures by Meryl Graham, our professional photographer who lives just north of town. This week's pictures were developed and printed in the Graham Studios, and are testimonial to fast and good work by Meryl and his wife, Wanda, on all kinds of photography. The Grahams do wedding pictures, assignment pictures of all kinds, besides portrait and tinting work. They have taken prizes at state shows on photography.

**WANTED**--Work. 15-year-old school boy wants work of any kind. After school and weekends. Pay what I'm worth. Bill Alwood, ph. 644-3581.  
Jan 8t2

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Jan. 8t2

**FOR YOUR 1965 WATKINS Fly Spray Needs**, write Doris Spiegel, Dealer, Route 1, Edmore, Mich.  
Jan. 8t1p

**THANKS, HUNTERS!**--For observing our NO HUNTING postings on Roe's Acres (the George Skinner farm in Weidman, the Minnie I. Roe place.) We know there are scads of rabbits back there, and other wild game. We know, however, that our place is too small for safe hunting, so we closed it. Bit by bit Roe's Acres will be developed into recreation details, but we hope to keep our wildlife for those who like to watch a squirrel, a chipmunk, a deer, the thrilling blue heron, all the wild birds.

George and Connie Skinner.

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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.

The monthly Fellowship dinner will be held at the Weidman Methodist Church next Sunday, Jan. 17, at 1 o'clock p. m.

The Methodist Men will install officers for 1965 on Thursday, Jan. 21, at 6.30 p. m., at a supper meeting, with installation following.

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Fellowship Dinner, 4th Sunday of each month, 6.30 p. m.

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BETTER THAN A LETTER

### WEIDMAN BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. Marvin Eldridge, Pastor

10 a. m., Sunday School.  
11 a. m., Morning Service.  
7.30 p. m., Evening Service.

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FOREST HILL  
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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.

Missionary Society of the Forest Hill Church of God met at the church annex Thursday p. m. A quilt was tied and will be mailed to Mrs. Harold Thorpe in Frisco, Colo. The ladies will meet again Jan. 28 at the annex to tie a quilt for Mrs. Thelma Johnson. After the business meeting, lunch was served by Nellie Haight and Flora Wood. Committee for the next meeting is Ellen Thompson and Opal Denslow.

Vera Smith is a patient in the Stanwood Hospital.

Mabel Heckart is bedfast at the home of her daughter, Viola Dean.

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GILMORE CHURCH  
OF CHRIST

C. Hiram Gates, Pastor

Sunday schedule:  
Worship Service, 10 a. m.  
Sunday School, 11 A. m.  
Evening Service, 7.30 p. m.  
Midweek Bible Service, Wednesday, 7.30 p. m.

### NEWS NOTE

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Cole of Barryton and Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Smith spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Bob Paulsen at Midland. ---U---

WEIDMAN SCHOOL  
CHIEF RESIGNING

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room, considered an impossibility before; worked out a special education program with other superintendents, and brought the program to Weidman, for pupils from the Beal City and Blanchard districts.

One or two special education rooms have been planned, financed, and are ready for building on the Weidman School.

There have been no property transfers from the Weidman District since Mr. Chambers took over as superintendent. This year several parcels of land have in fact come into the district, the latest being those of two families with school-age children.

Mr. Chambers has been conservative in spending at the school, and has appeared to have had the interest of the school and its students greatly at heart.

These are a few of the accomplishments of Mr. Chambers in his two years here. There are others, and his many friends will regret his departure as head of the Weidman School.

Mr. Chambers is Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Special Education to the County Board. He is a director of the Isabella county Safety Council. He is a member of the Masonic Lodge, and of the Lions Club.



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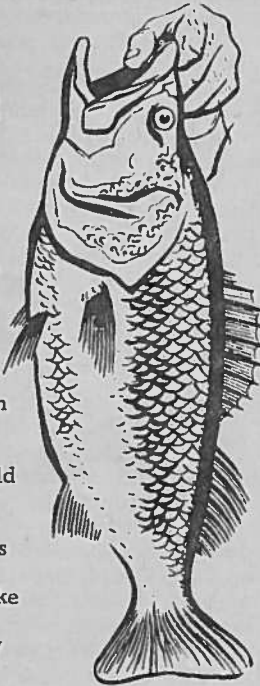
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**FISHING REPORT**

by  
George  
Skinner



Weidman  
Pond

Littlefield  
Lake

Six Lakes

Scutt Lake

Martigny  
Lakes

The Weidman Pond fishing has been rather poor the past week.

Seems barometric pressure has been low, and with the moonlit nights, the weather has been unfavorable.

Reports are coming in which indicate Littlefield Lake has been producing some nice catches of bluegills, especially in the Tower Lake section.

A week ago some real nice catches were made on the Weidman Pond, which indicates they are still there. No one needs to be afraid to drive on the Pond at this time (Tuesday), as ice is safe except where shanties went through. Brush has been placed as warnings at those spots.

Smelt on Littlefield Lake are reported very slow. However, there are about 20 shanties there, and sooner or later the smelt will bite.

Smelt fishing on Littlefield is relatively new, but of late years a regular smelt village goes up each winter, just out from the public landing.

Some big smelt have been taken there, running eight to ten inches, a good size for smelt.

Big and Little Evans Lakes in the Martiny chain are reported nil on bluegills the first of the week.

(The above reports were as of Wednesday afternoon of this week.) ---0---

**NEWS NOTES**

**IMOGENE McARTHUR MARRIED IN PONTIAC**

Mr. and Mrs. Gene McArthur announce the marriage of their daughter, Imogene, to Larry Spence, son of Mr. and Mrs. Mark Myers of Pontiac.

The wedding took place Friday, Jan. 8, at Pontiac. The happy young couple will make their home in that city.

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**BETTER THAN A LETTER**

**Two Rivers**

Mrs. Singleton Moses, Reporter

Little Bobby Krueger has the mumps.

Sunday dinner guests at the Raymond Flaucher home were Mr. and Mrs. Russell Flaucher and family, and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Flaucher.

Mrs. Kenneth Saunders spent Saturday at East Lansing, attending a Westley Foundation workshop.

Mrs. Mary Pantenburg was a Saturday evening supper guest of Mr. and Mrs. Blaine Stansell.

Mr. and Mrs. John Schupbach and Janet, and Mr. and Mrs. Philip Mead and Chrissy of Mt. Pleasant surprised Mrs. Herman Martin with cake and ice cream, to help celebrate her birthday, Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Martin were Friday callers at the Herman Martin home. Saturday evening visitors were Mr. and Mrs. Homer Moses.

Mrs. Margie Thompson of Hersey visited her sister, Mrs. Chris Larson, this past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Moses called on Mr. and Mrs. Louis Baker Friday.

Mrs. Larry Updike was guest of honor at a stork shower at the Ernest Courser home Saturday evening. Mrs. Mary Courser and Mrs. Keith Thompson were hostesses; with 24 guests present.

Miss Rose Marie Moses and her little brother, Carl, have been entertaining the mumps. Both are much better this week.

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**SOUTHWEST GILMORE**

VERNA SEYMOUR, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Egbert Fordyce left Thursday for Florida. They were going as far as Flint that day and stay with Lola's cousins there.

Elwyn Pitts came home from the Alma Hospital last week. Gregg Pitts is under the weather with a cold.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Wendel of Flint came up Friday and went back Sunday.

Mrs. John Stewart and children of Flint visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. Kent, and Joyce, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Hatch and friends of Jackson called on his folks, the C. Kents, last week. Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Kent of Mt. Pleasant were also callers.

Gary Seymour took a plane from Lansing Sunday to return to Norfolk, Va.

Mrs. Larry Morgenstern and children of Mt. Pleasant called at the Norman Buchel home Saturday evening.

Mrs. Mattie Wood has infection in her eye.

Harley Beck was a Sunday dinner guest of the Don Seymours family, then they all took Gary to Lansing.

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**YOUR HOME TOWN PAPER**

**Local Items**

Mr. and Mrs. Leon McArthur drove to Detroit Tuesday, where Gladys expected to enter Ford Hospital for a few days, for observation. Leon planned to stay the week at the home of their son, Gerald, at 877 Laguna Dr., Walled Lake.

Nelson Wiley has been spending the week here with his sister, Mrs. Edna Hammond.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Shook of Bay City were Sunday guests of his brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Shook.

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**East Coldwater**

Esther Skinner, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Rex Allen and children of Blanchard called on Mr. and Mrs. Harold Skinner Saturday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Skinner and girls were business callers in Rockford Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. Mille Voss is in Stanwood

Hospital, and was improving the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Skinner and children called on Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Hamilton of Mt. Pleasant Thursday evening.

Thursday evening callers of the Dewey Olgers were Mrs. Sidney Wood and Mrs. Jean Flaucher and children of Farwell. Saturday callers were Mr. and Mrs. John Latham and children, Mr. and Mrs. Chelsea Latham and family of Cedar Springs, and Wendell Sisco.

Geraldine Latham took care of the Chelsea Latham children Sunday, while the parents were moving from Cedar Springs to the Robert Clark farm east of Beal City. In the evening, Mr. and Mrs. Gary Latham of Weidman called on the Dewey Olger family.

Barryton didn't have school Friday, due to the fog and ice.

Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Olger and children attended the basketball game Friday evening at Barryton. The Barryton team won over Beal City, 123-80.



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## Editor's Column

### THE MESSENGER HAS "HOT" CIRCULATION

The Weidman Messenger has a rather unique circulation problem, inasmuch as we have at least a thousand families reading us each week, which can't be "proved" by any "circulation audit" or other such devices dear to the hearts of some modern publications. Our postoffice mailing figures fall short of the thousand mark, by quite a bit; but we have had subscribers enough who have told us, "When we get done with the Messenger, we give it to our son," or our brother, or our neighbor, etc.

In other words, the little Messenger gets around, throughout our area. We believe we have well over a thousand families reading us each week; and the average in figuring such things is four to a family.

Sounds like pretty large boasting for such a little paper, doesn't it? But the Messenger is not only an invited visitor in over a thousand homes, but it's grabbed by its readers, we are proud to say.

Our readers can do us a favor, too. The best way to help keep the paper going in Weidman is to tell our advertisers you saw them in the Messenger. You may read an advertisement and see in it something you want to buy; and when you go to buy it, you're in the store and thinking only of the thing you came to purchase.

Messenger readers can help the paper the greatest by mentioning us to whatever advertisers we have.

All you need to say is, "I saw your ad in the Weidman Messenger." That's the biggest thing you can do to help the paper.

Meantime, bless the people who pass the paper around to relatives and friends. We're proud to be in demand.

### In the Editor's Mail

#### MANY HAVE AWAITED WORD OF DR. RONDOT

Dear Connie: I'm sure there are many people who would like to know where and how Dr. Rondot is. Stan drove for him in the winter time the years we lived across the road from him at Sherman City. There will never be another like him, will there? He always stops for a visit when he is up here.

Tessie Pridgeon  
Barryton

(Editor's Note: Mrs. Pridgeon sent the following letter she and Stan received from Dr. Rondot, for the Messenger to print and let the doctor's many friends know how he's doing.)

Villa Maria  
Windsor, Ontario  
Jan. 2, 1965

Dear Stanley and Tess:

I received your card in due time

and am taking the occasion of wishing you both a very happy and prosperous New Year.

Receiving that card reverted me to the past, and reminded me of so many times we spent happily together, and so many things we did. One thing that often comes back to my mind and that I will never forget is the times we used to drive twenty miles or more to go five or six, on a call five or six miles away, and had to walk three or four miles on that nice, smooth cone; where, if we made one false step we sank in up to our necks. You walked ahead and carried the heaviest grip and broke the road. Those were the times when a fellow appreciated the help of a true friend.

I presume you sometimes sit and think of me as I do of you, and wonder how I am getting along with my 95 years.

Well, you know how many epidemics of flu I went through and had patients cough in my face when they were at their worst with it, and never took it; in fact never had a sick day in my life since I can remember.

At the age of 92 I was suddenly taken with severe pains, had a fever, and the pains getting more and more severe. Called a doctor and he didn't know, either.

I couldn't imagine it being the flu, but that's what it turned up to be, and believe me, I had it right. Was in the hospital for ten days but finally recovered and have been feeling fine ever since.

I was at my nephew's for a few years after I retired, while I was young, at eighty. As long as I could do a little work and putter along on the farm I got along all right, but when there was nothing more I could do I got restless and lonesome. It was something new to me, because I had never been lonesome in my life.

I moved to Windsor, right across the river from Detroit, where I can take the bus at the front door and be in downtown Windsor in five minutes or downtown Detroit in ten. I am now in an old folks' home, a nice new building about 400 feet long, with 125 others.

This building is on the banks of the Detroit River, with a beautiful lawn between the building and the river, where all the big freight boats ply between Chicago and Duluth and Buffalo, boats four to seven hundred feet long. The river is less than a mile wide here where it curves south to go to Amherstburg and Lake Erie. As you look up and down, you can nearly always have a boat in sight. Just now, of course, the season is closed, but a few of them run all winter. There is always a good view of Detroit.

I also belong to the Senior Citizens Union. They have those in practically all of the big cities. It is a large hall where retired people or old people gather five days per week usually, and have all kinds of games, cards, especially for old ladies, shuffle boards

and pool tables, etc.

I must not forget singing and dancing. Every union has a choir that practices once or twice a week and those choirs visit other unions and sing for them, and other choirs do the same. They dance twice a week, but mostly on Friday. That day I never miss. I pass up the square dances and others I don't care for, but hardly ever miss a waltz.

At our house they always give a party once a month to all those whose birthdays come in that month. For Christmas they mixed it with Christmas, and the Christmas had two Santa Clauses, one a big fellow about six feet, and another little Santa Claus.

About the middle of the doings, when we were all drinking our share of wine and eating little sweets, little Santa, all dressed in red, masked, and with a beard that ran down over her chest and something over her head that was neither a hat, a crown or a babushka, grabbed me by the shoulders from behind and said, "Come on, let us dance!" I was so surprised that I didn't know what to say, but the orchestra was playing a nice waltz so that told me what to do. She happened to be a very good

partner, and our step agreed very nicely. We danced between the tables.

I forgot that I had reached for another sheet and thought I was running out of paper. That is why I was writing on the margin. You are likely both asleep by this time anyway, so I had better call a halt.

Very sincerely,  
E.F. Rondot.

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## Local Items

Mr. and Mrs. R.D. Sprague called on Mr. and Mrs. B.W. McCann of Midland Sunday afternoon. They also called on Mr. and Mrs. Wade Suylandt of Loomis, and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Dent of Farwell.

Mr. and Mrs. David McArthur of Deerfield Center spent the weekend with his folks, Mr. and Mrs. Gene McArthur.


Mr. and Mrs. Scott Houghton of Deerfield Center were Friday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Wilmot.

Bert Estes and William Beck of Brinton were Monday callers of Tom Bywater.

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## SALES

# Wildcats Win Second in Two Days, 76-68

Weidman High School kept up its perfect 1965 record Saturday with a 76-68 triumph over Ashley.

The Wildcats, who dropped four 1964 decisions before getting a new life in the new year, placed five men in double figures.

Ken Seymour led the way with 16 points. Doug MacArthur had his second big night in a row with 13 and Jerry Smith came off the bench for a sparkling, 15 point effort.

Dave Martin, who teamed up with Smith to control the backboards for Weidman, added ten points, as did reserve guard, Doug Craven.

Steve Paysi topped Ashley scorers with 19 points.

In the junior varsity contest, the Wildcats grabbed off victory number one by a 64-56 margin.

Neal Wood and Ora Martin paced the Wildcat jv's with 17 and 12 points respectively.

### Score by Quarters

Weidman	20	22	15	19	76
Ashley	14	15	16	23	68

Coach Tom Gallant's Weidman Wildcats started off their New Year with a 79-69 victory over Vestaburg last Friday night, after losing four straight games at the start of the season.

The Weidman team went like wildfire behind a 26-point effort from the team's Sophomore forward, Lane Chapman.

Chapman was especially accurate in the first half and scored his season high on a variety of shots in the outstanding individual effort of the season for Weidman.

Also instrumental in the Wildcat victory were Doug MacArthur with 16 points and Jack Sprague, who also hit double figures with ten.

Dave Martin, despite fouling out early in period four, topped all rebounders with 14 grabs and scored nine points, Ken Seymour cause.

Vestaburg now 1-6 on the season, got a 19 point effort from John Hull and came back with a 48 point second half, but the Wildcats were not to be denied.

Vestaburg took a 62-46 victory in a well-played junior varsity game. Walt Shaner and Fred Sprague topped Weidman with nine and seven points respectively.

Next game will be Friday night, Jan. 15, with Carson City St. Mary's, there. Saturday night's

game will be at LeRoy, also there.

"The boys are looking pretty good now," Gallant said this week. "That was the first Homecoming game they've won in quite a while, and we're all very happy."

"With the material we have," he went on, "with boys coming back next year, we should be a pretty tough team."

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### KNITTING CLASS TO BE ORGANIZED AT SCHOOL

There will be a meeting held at 7.30 p. m. Tuesday, Jan. 19, at the Weidman School cafeteria, for the purpose of setting up a knitting class.

Anyone interested in learning to knit is invited to attend. This class is for students and adults in the Weidman School area.

Mrs. Vance Wood.

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### WEIDMAN PTA MEETS MONDAY, JAN. 18

The Weidman PTA will meet Monday evening, Jan. 18, in the school cafeteria, at 8 p. m.

Mrs. Marian McDonald of Mt. Pleasant, speech correctionist, is scheduled as speaker. Mrs. McDonald's work takes in the Weidman, Beal City and Blanchard Schools, and is a branch of the Special Education program toward which the three districts are working.

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### LETTER FROM IRELAND TELLS OF DUBLIN

A recent letter from Mrs. Robert McCabe (Mary Gross), to her mother, Mrs. Leo F. Gross, tells of their adventures in Ireland.

Mary, Bob and their four children have been in Ireland since last September, where Bob is doing research on his thesis for his Ph. D.

They have seen a great deal of Dublin in their weekend excursions, and have enjoyed their stay immensely. The city abounds with excellent examples of Georgian architecture, splendid castles, town houses, and many quaint shops and pubs.

To date the most exciting event was Bob's recent appearance on Gay Byrnes' "Late, Late Show," a television program very similar to the NBC "Tonight" show. As a guest, Bob discussed his research project and answered questions on Irish and American education. Meeting many of the Irish television personalities before and after the show was the highlight of the evening.

The McCabes sent belated Christmas and New Year good wishes to everyone back home.

They enjoyed their September ocean crossing aboard the liner Aurelia. The ship had tv, swimming pool, kindergarten, and all sorts of entertainment. But they were all glad when they landed.

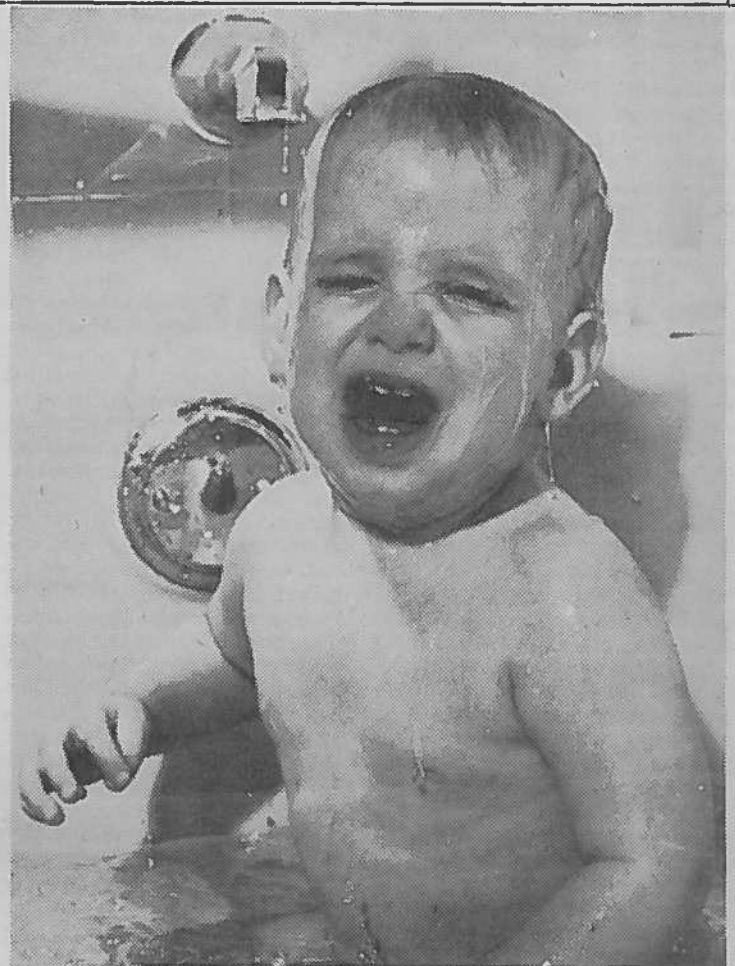
Haircuts in Ireland, they report, are 84 cents, and cake, candy and sweets are very cheap. Everything else is about the same in price as over here, they report.

### NEWS NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Odell of Las Vegas, Nev., spent Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. Carl Scharrer. They called on Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Sprague while here. Mrs. Odell is the former

Kay Richardson of Weidman.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Gross and children and Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Gross and baby of Wayne were Sunday guests of their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Gross, and Ernest.



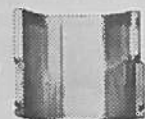
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## North Weidman

Wanda Graham, Reporter

Jan. 5: Mrs. Marvin Allen of Farwell had dinner with her sister and family, the Meryl Grahams.

Jan. 6: Mrs. Joan Burden spent the afternoon with Jean Smith, cleaning chickens to freeze.

Mrs. Meryl Graham and Mrs. Arlene King stopped in for coffee with Mrs. Bonnie Blackner, then went on to Mt. Pleasant.

Jan. 5: Mr. and Mrs. John Gott visited their son and family, the Richard Gotts, of Farwell.

Jan. 6: Mrs. Arlene King spent the day with Wanda Graham.

Jan. 8: Mrs. Dorothy Carmen and Berdine spent the afternoon with Wanda Graham and girls.

Jan. 9: Mr. and Mrs. Don Alwood and family went to Mt. Pleasant on business.

Mrs. Wanda Graham and daughters took Mrs. John Gott, Heene Abbott, and Paula and Judy to Mt. Pleasant.

Miss Berdine Carmen visited the Grahams Saturday afternoon so Wanda could teach her more on photo tinting.

Saturday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Gott were their sons, Richard of Farwell and Al of Winn, also Mrs. Flossie Allen. Debbie Graham spent the night.

Dick Whittaker of Mt. Pleasant and Bud Palin of Saginaw called on Meryl Graham Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Shimmell of Clare and Arlene King were visitors at the Meryl Grahams' Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Chelsea Latham of Cedar Springs have moved to the Weidman area, where Chel has work on a farm near Beal City.

Mr. and Mrs. John Gott called on their daughter-in-law, Mrs. Carl Gott, and family, of Clare, then had lunch with their daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Marlin Allen, of Farwell.

Mrs. Laura Latham hasn't been feeling too well this past week.

Mrs. Lauraine Burden and granddaughter, Vicki, of Grand Rapids and Gale Burden and children of Lakeview called on the Jack Burden family Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Wood of Grand Rapids were weekend guests of their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Burden, and family.

Debbie Graham stayed with Helen Alwood Monday morning, while her mother and grandmother went to Mt. Pleasant on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Waters are driving a panel truck now.

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### NEWS NOTE

Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lew Frantz were Mrs. Ruth Martin of Mt. Pleasant, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Frantz, also of Mt. Pleasant, and Mr. and Mrs. Otto House of Mt. Pleasant.

## Walker Creek News

Mrs. Esther Stanley, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Schrock spent Friday night and Saturday at his brother and sister-in-law's home in Grand Rapids, visiting other relatives also while there.

Dean Smith and son, Douglas, of Riverdale were Sunday dinner guests of his sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Schrock.

Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Schrock and Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Schrock attended their "shop" party at the Dunlop Cafe in Clare Saturday evening.

Mrs. Lena St. John, Mrs. Maggie Boger and Mrs. Nina Forbes spent last Tuesday with Mrs. Queen Taylor of Mt. Pleasant. These ladies, although African violet lovers and growers, greatly admired the "bird of Paradise" plant of Mrs. Taylor's, and had an enjoyable time together.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Zill visited her mother, Mrs. Arthur Bazaire, who is a patient at Lakeview Hospital, Saturday evening. She was taken to the hospital by ambulance the middle of the week. Her granddaughter, Lucinda, reports she is better, and that Mrs. Thelma Baxter, her daughter, of Flint is assisting her grandfather with chores. Lucinda missed her school a couple of days this week on account of a sore throat.

Mrs. Vada Conley entered Community Hospital at Mt. Pleasant last week Monday. She had major surgery on Thursday, having blood transfusions, and was quite ill. Mr. and Mrs. Otto Skalitzky visited her Sunday and report her condition improved.

Mrs. Keith Thompson attended a pink and blue shower for Mrs. Leanna Updike of Rosebush, held at her parents' home, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Courser, of west Mt. Pleasant Saturday evening. Mrs. Updike is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Garrett of Two Rivers.

Mr. and Mrs. Micky Dargitz and family were Sunday guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Denslow. Dale arrived home okay, and they all enjoyed visiting with him.

Mrs. Alma Dosenberry and sons, Paul and Keith, visited her brother, Stuart, and family of Evart Friday. Glenn Dosenberry spent the weekend at home from his studies at Ferris in Big Rapids.

Mrs. Mabel Cummings of Barryton was a Sunday dinner guest of her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Denslow. Mr. and Mrs. Denslow visited her brother-in-law, Jack Sowle, last Sunday, at Osteopathic Hospital in Saginaw. Jack was seriously hurt in a corn-picker just before Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Denslow visited his sister, Mrs. Vada Conley, at Mt. Pleasant Community Hospital Sunday evening.

Mrs. Lou Gray and Ernest Gray

spent Monday with the latter's daughter, Mrs. Pearl Loomis, of Sherman City, and helped her do some papering.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Moore and Mary Lou of Big Rapids and Mr. and Mrs. Donald Pung and their four little Dees were Sunday guests of the girls' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Stanley. Donald Moore spent Friday night and Saturday with them. Ronnie was also a weekend visitor.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Stanley attended the basketball game at Harrison Tuesday night. Mr. and Mrs. Larry Fussman of Mt. Pleasant accompanied them. Both couples also attended the game at Barryton Friday night. The

game was between Barryton and Beal City, with Barryton winning.

Guests during the week at the Donald Stanley home were her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Vinton, of Eight Point Lake, James Vinton and fiancée, Priscilla Wixon, of Farwell. James and Priscilla will be married Saturday p. m., Jan. 16, at the Gilmore Church of Christ, with a reception that evening in the Brinton Community Hall.

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### NEWS NOTE

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Dent of Farwell were Tuesday evening callers of Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Sprague and Mrs. Bessie Teall.

BETTER THAN A LETTER

## ECHOES FROM THE OLD DAYS

Editor's Note: Many will recognize the names of people on the recital program below, from the very old days. We are indebted to Gerald and Eva Middlesworth, from whose priceless scrapbook the program is borrowed.)

## ...PROGRAM...

M. E. CHURCH, WEIDMAN  
JULY 29, 1914

Solo, Au Revoir,	LICHNER
JOSEPHINE MITCHELL	
Vocal Solo, Rockin' in de Win',	NEIDLINGER
FLORENCE DAWSON	
Solo, Idilio	LACK
LUCY MEEKER	
Violin Solo, Humoreske,	DVORAK
MRS. WOOLWORTH	
Solo, Woodland Echoes,	WYMAN
MRS. THOMPSON	
Vocal Duet, While the Dew is on the Lillies,	HART
LOIS RITCHIE, NORA COFFIN	
Solo, Orfo Grande Polka,	GOTTSCHALK
GRACE WOOLWORTH	
Life of Schumann, Illustrated by	SCHUMANN
Valse,	
GEORGE MIDDLESWORTH	
Vocal Solo, Singin' an' a-Singin',	NEIDLINGER
MRS. SMITH	
Solo, Fifth Nocturne.	LEYBACH
BERTHA SMITH	
Vocal Duet, Whispering Hope,	HAWTHORNE
FLORENCE DAWSON, NORA COFFIN	
Vocal Solo, Three Green Bonnets,	D' HARDELLOT
LOIS RITCHIE	
Piano Duet, A-Hunting We Will Go,	BRISSAC
JESSIE WILEY, JAMES DAWSON	
Violin Solo, Traumerei,	SCHUMANN
MRS. WOOLWORTH	
Solo, Rustle of Spring,	SINDING
MRS. MITCHELL	
Vocal Solo, (a) A Dream	BARTLETT
(b) De Las' Long Rest	BOND
MISS MASON	

## N. Broomfield

Maycie Cook, Reporter

### ERNEST HUMMEL HAS SURGERY IN ARIZONA

Minnie Rhode received word from Margaret Hummel the first of the week that Ernest entered the Baptist Hospital near Phoenix, Ariz., and expected to undergo surgery Monday of this week.

The Hummels have been spending the winter with their daughter, Kay Ervin, in Phoenix. Margaret has a niece at the hospital who is a registered nurse, and who will care for Ernest. His doctor is a recent graduate from the Mayo Clinic, the letter said.

His address is the Baptist Hospital, 7400 E. Osborn Road, Scottsdale, Ariz.

The Hummels celebrated their 43rd wedding anniversary around Christmas time.

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Mrs. Wm. Cook and Roderick Nicholson spent the weekend with the Otto Wiley family of Northville.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Cook and Stewart and Sandra attended the Silver Wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Bingham of Franklin, Sunday. Mrs. Wm. Cook, Roderick Nicholson and the Otto Wileys also attended. Mrs. Bingham is Mrs. Cook's sister.

Mrs. Ralph Strong flew to Wisconsin last week to visit her daughter, and husband, Rev. and Mrs. Kuske, a former pastor of the Broomfield Lutheran Church.

Mrs. Minnie Rhode and Harold spent last Tuesday evening with the Ralph Ehlers of Shepherd.

Terry Lueder spent the weekend with the Cook children at Canadian Lakes.

Mrs. Wm. Cook and Roderick Nicholson spent an hour with the John Hibberds at Holly, on their way home from Northville, Monday. The Hibberds seemed well and happy.

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## Beal City

Dora Smith, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Tilmann are the proud parents of a baby daughter, born Jan. 3 in the Gratiot Community Hospital at Alma. She was baptized in St. Joseph's Church at Beal City Sunday, as Jill Ellen, and with Russell and Rose Tilmann as godparents.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Pung, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Keefer, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Pung, and Henry and Rosa Schafer motored to Pewamo Thursday to attend the funeral of Bill Schafer.

The Holy Name Society meeting Sunday evening in the church basement was well attended. Cards were played, and a nice lunch was served. All reported a nice time.

Florence Ball motored to Alma

Thursday to visit her father, Joe Pantenburg, who is in the hospital there.

Joe Tilmann is in Community Hospital at Mt. Pleasant (Monday).

Mrs. Joe Theisen of Mt. Pleasant spent Sunday at the John E. Schafer home.

Mrs. Martha Andres of Big Rapids spent Saturday with her father, Mike Pasch. She also called on Mrs. Tony Schafer.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Schafer entertained their club last Thursday. First prize was won by Bob Pung and Theresa Gross; low prize, Jerry Schafer and Margaret Gross; loner, Steve Simmer.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Pung spent Tuesday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Steve Pung, celebrating Steve's birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Vogel and Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Pung spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Peter Schafer.

Anna Eldred of Blanchard spent Saturday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tony Schafer.

Mr. and Mrs. Lavern Schafer entertained their club Sunday evening. First prize was won by Rose Pung and Steve Pung; second prize, Vada Tilmann and Allen Tilmann. All reported a nice time.

Mrs. Lorena Elias and Mrs. E. N. Smith spent Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. Ida Tilmann.

Alfred, Matilda and Dorothy Wacker and Clarence Andres and his mother, Oliva, of St. Johns called on Louise Smith Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Blasen and Theresa spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Trowbridge at Greenville. They moved there this week.

Mrs. Wm. Pung, Mrs. Louise Smith and Mrs. Frank Lynch spent Sunday evening with Mrs. Tony Schafer.

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### BEAL CITY PTA MEETS MONDAY

The Beal City PTA will meet Monday evening, Jan. 18, in the multi-purpose room of the school, at 8 o'clock.

A Michigan State Police trooper plans to be there, and talk to the group on safety.

The annual Carnival will be discussed.

Everyone is urged to be present.

The Tenth Grade is on the refreshment committee.

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### NEWS NOTES

Callers of Mrs. Lydia Snyder Sunday evening included Mrs. Clyde Beutler and Mrs. Nellie Haight. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Keiser and twins of Mt. Pleasant were Sunday guests. Mr. and Mrs. Richard Sprague and son and Barbara Dutcher and her mother, Pearl Case, were also Sunday visitors, the occasion being the birthday of Mrs. Snider's daughter, Ocie Keiser. Ice cream and cake were enjoyed.

## Around Horr

Jessie Rosencrantz, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Miller called on her sister, Mrs. Minnie Conley, at the Fred Wilcox home in Weidman, Sunday. They also called on Mrs. Hattie Johnson at the Mt. Pleasant Hospital. She expected to undergo surgery Monday of this week. They also called on Mrs. Edna Cole, Mrs. Mary Johnson and Mrs. Anna Cheadle at the Golden Acres Nursing Home at St. Louis.

Mrs. Minnie Strauch spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Losey. Harold and Ron Losey and Theron and Don Merrihew were Sunday afternoon callers.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Burden were Monday evening visitors at the Gerald Losey home. Tuesday evening callers were Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Jackson, Mr. and Mrs. Don Merrihew and Marlene, and Sandra Gross and a friend. Thursday evening guests were Mr. and Mrs. Dick Dutcher and Doug, and Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Losey. Mr. and Mrs. Howard Jackson and family were Saturday supper guests. Carol Gross spent Wednesday and Thursday with the Loseys.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Swan called on her mother, Mrs. Eva Denslow, Sunday p. m.

Mrs. Betty Jo Martin spent part of her school vacation with her mother, who suffered a stroke recently.

Mrs. Betty Thompson accompanied Mrs. Bobby and Violet Oplinger to Lansing Wednesday, to visit her mother, who is convalescing from eye surgery.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Dent went to

Saginaw last Wednesday to see their doctor. Friday they had supper with Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Johnson and Sherri, to celebrate Sherri's second birthday.

Harry Dent stayed Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. Leo Wood.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Thompson attended an NFO meeting at Central Michigan University last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Oplinger and Kenny and Eddie were Sunday dinner guests of her mother, Mrs. Edna McDonald. Later, Earl and Bobby visited her brother in the hospital.

Jay Denslow is improving, we are happy to say, after suffering a heart attack. Mrs. Dorothy Navarre called to see him Saturday p. m. Mr. and Mrs. Junior Denslow and two children and Mr. and Mrs. Derry Dunn and Jimmie were Sunday p. m. callers.

Chari Lynn Brownell, granddaughter of the Jay Denslows, was admitted to Community Hospital Friday for infection in her foot. She was doing okay the first of the week, and hoped to return home soon.

Mrs. Violet Oplinger was called to Mason by the death of her sister, Mrs. Beulah Carr. The funeral was held Friday at Mason, with burial at Chandlerville, Ill., Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Earl Oplinger attended the funeral and brought Mrs. Oplinger home. She had spent several days there.

Mr. and Mrs. Benn Johnson attended the March of Dimes party at the Weidman School Monday evening last week.

Karleen Appelgreen was a Sunday p. m. caller at the Vance Wood home.

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AMBULANCE SERVICE

**REBEKAHS INSTALL  
NEW OFFICERS**

Weidman Rebekahs installed their new officers Monday evening at the Oddfellow Hall, with good attendance, and visitors from Farwell.

A sumptuous pot-luck supper for the Rebekahs and Oddfellows was enjoyed after the ceremonies.

A card party will be held Jan. 26, at 2 in the afternoon, at the hall. Admission is 50¢. Lunch will be served.

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**N. Brinton**

CORA ESTES, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Tower, Mrs. Edna Teeter and Cora Estes attended services Sunday evening at the Baptist Church on the Air Line Road, where Missionaries Mr. and Mrs. Fred Norline and three children of Grand Rapids were guests of the evening. Mr. Norline showed colored slides of many churches and scenery in Upper Michigan.

Mrs. Clyde Forbes, Mr. Lee, and Mrs. Clifford Leiter called on Mrs. Forbes' sister, Hazel Oberlin, Saturday at Lakeview Hospital. Mrs. Oberlin is in isolation for kidney infection. They also visited Mrs. Art Bazaire, who is a patient in the hospital.

Mrs. Opal Tower and Frances Beck were in Mt. Pleasant Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. John McRobert of Lake were Sunday visitors at the Bert Estes home.

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**West Gilmore**

Lena Cole, Reporter

Mrs. Robert Worth is back in the hospital at Midland.

Mrs. Charlotte Hart stayed with Velma Cole while her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Cole, and Mrs. Fred Wardwell visited their father, John Henry Wixson, in the Broomfield Hospital.

Clarence Shaner expected to enter the Midland hospital Tuesday for a checkup.

Robert Worth visited his wife, Melva, at the Midland Hospital Thursday evening.

Allen Shaner had more teeth extracted Thursday.

Mrs. Ruby Douglas called on the Paul Coles Wednesday.

A birthday dinner was held on Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Douglas, Hugh being the honored guest. His children from Bay City, Flint and Belding helped him celebrate the day.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Kent spent Sunday at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kent. Mrs. Kent is caring for her grandchildren, the Ernie Kents' and Luanna Jean's children, while Ernie and wife and Luanna Jean spent the weekend at Gaylord.

Wayne Curtis had the mistor-

tune to have his fish shanty go through the ice on Jenson Lake near Barryton. Linda Hart's and Walter Shaner's were going also through the ice, but some kind cottagers saved them. Wayne helped the youngsters build them.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Curtis of Shepherd were Sunday dinner guests of their mother, Mrs. Charlotte Hart. Walter, Charlene and Stanley Shaner and Linda, Kay and Roxann also had Sunday dinner with Grandma Hart.

Mrs. Amelia Douglas remains about the same.

Brinton Farm Bureau was again postponed, due to icy roads.

Hurry and get well, Connie, and keep well. That is no way to start the New Year.

Dora Cole is in the Town and Country Rest Home at Midland.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Olger were Thursday callers of Mrs. Albert Geasler.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin Boger visited their mother, Mrs. Joe Geasler, of rural Mt. Pleasant Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Geasler of Remus were Sunday callers of his brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Geasler.

Pam Worth was home from her school Thursday and Friday, due to a sore throat.

Emerson Marshall called on Norman Geasler Sunday.

Vada Conley was reported better Tuesday. She was still in the hospital at Mt. Pleasant, following surgery.

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**S.W. Sherman**

Goldie Dutcher, Reporter

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

Mrs. Bonnie Dutcher came home from CMC Hospital Wednesday with her new baby girl. Mr. and Mrs. Roland Merrihew and family were evening callers.

Mr. and Mrs. Roland Merrihew and family spent Sunday in Detroit, visiting Mr. and Mrs. Alan Marshall and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Dutcher and daughters of Lake Orion, and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Remington and Troy and Bill's nephew, Joe Madison, of Saginaw, spent the weekend with the Ervin Dutcher, Sr., family. Mr. and Mrs. George Woodin spent Tuesday evening, and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hines spent Wednesday evening.

Mrs. Howard and son, Dennis, spent Sunday with the Ervin Dutcher, Jr., family.

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Lawrence were Saturday callers of the Geo. Merrihews.

Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher, Sr., spent Thursday evening with the Clayton Dutcher. Mr. and Mrs. Walter Howe, Jr., were Friday evening callers, and the Gary Dutcher family were Sunday dinner guests. Richard and Douglas Dutcher were callers.

Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Johnson and

Sherri were Tuesday callers of the Dutchers. Mr. and Mrs. Jack Dutcher and girls of Lake Orion and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Howe and David were Sunday evening callers. Miss Carol Simkins of Grand Rapids was a supper guest Saturday.

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**PEPPER PARTY  
AT DREW HALL**

There will be a pepper party at Drew Hall Saturday evening, Jan. 16, starting at 8.30.

Please bring sandwiches. Prizes will be given.

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**ENTERTAINS  
BIRTHDAY CLUB**

Mrs. Gerald Middlesworth and Mrs. Joyce Curtis were co-hostesses Monday evening at the home of Mrs. Middlesworth, entertaining the Birthday Club.

Prizes were won by Karen Donley, Kate Wood, and Gilda Cook. A delightful lunch was served.

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**In the  
Editor's Mail**

Holly Mich.  
Jan. 11

Dear Connie:

We have had so much company that John said to me this morning, "You had better send Connie some news," and just then we heard a knock on our door and guess who? Maycie Cook and her brother, Rodrick Nicholson.

How good to see old friends from home.

Last Wednesday Mr. and Mrs. Earl Moyses of Pontiac spent the day with us.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Goodwin of Howell spent Saturday evening, and Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Pomeroy and daughter, Cindy, and Mrs. V. A. Pomeroy, Cecil's mother, called on us Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Straus and Kathy and her cousin, Peggy Shanahan, of Flint, called Sunday forenoon, and Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Moyses of Pontiac were Sunday afternoon callers. Just can't tell you how much we enjoyed all of them.

We hope, Connie, you are much better of the earache by now. Sorry you had such a trial.

Best of everything to all.

The Hibberds.

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**Local Items**

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Sprague and son, Mike, arrived home from a ten-days' vacation visit with their daughter, Sally, in California, Saturday. They went by plane, and enjoyed the trip and visit greatly.

Mr. and Mrs. Doug Middlesworth of Lansing were weekend guests of his folks, Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Middlesworth. Doug and Mary also visited old friends, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Berg, of Grand Rapids.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Wilmot visited Mrs. Charles Voss at the Stanwood Hospital Monday.

**Dies At  
Nursing Home**

MRS. SARAH WILEY

Mrs. Sarah Wiley died Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock, in Pleasant Manor Nursing Home in Mt. Pleasant. She was 94 years old.

She was born Aug. 9, 1870, in Kalamazoo County. In 1886 she was married to A. J. Wiley, and about 70 years ago they came to this area, where they raised their family on a farm about four miles west of Weidman. After Mr. Wiley's death some years before, Mrs. Wiley came to Weidman to live in 1949.

Mrs. Wiley gave her life to the nursing of sick people, and was always ready in times of trouble and illness to put in her time and truly remarkable talents wherever she was, as a friend and neighbor.

Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Edna Hammond of Weidman, and Mrs. Clara DeWitt of Grand Rapids; one son, Nelson Wiley, of Pontiac; and 14 grandchildren, 44 great-grandchildren, and 24 great-great-grandchildren; and other relatives, and a host of friends.

Funeral services will be held Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock, at the Crittenden Funeral Home in Remus. Burial will be in Forest Hill Cemetery.

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**Local Items**

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Allen of St. Louis were Tuesday guests of their son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Alton Allen. They called on a few friends while in town, including the Messenger people. The St. Louis Allens observed their 64th wedding anniversary Jan. 4, and their picture was printed in the St. Louis newspaper and also the Saginaw News. Their many friends here will be happy to learn that Mrs. Allen was doing well so far this winter. They were formerly neighbors of the Goerge Skinners, in the former rebuilt Kaninsky house.

Billy Baxter was still in the hospital at Mt. Pleasant the first of the week, after an emergency operation for ruptured appendix last week. He was doing all right but was being kept in the hospital. Mr. and Mrs. LaRue Bartlett of Chicago and Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Michaletz, also of Chicago, spent a few days with the Baxters this week.

Mrs. Glendarrel Frantz helped Mrs. Tom Bywater three days last week. Mr. and Mrs. Dale Bywater and family of Midland were Sunday visitors of the Bywaters. Dale and his family left Tuesday for Italy for about two years. Ercil Bywater (Mrs. N. S. Woodward) of Flint called also. The Woodwards left Monday for Florida.