

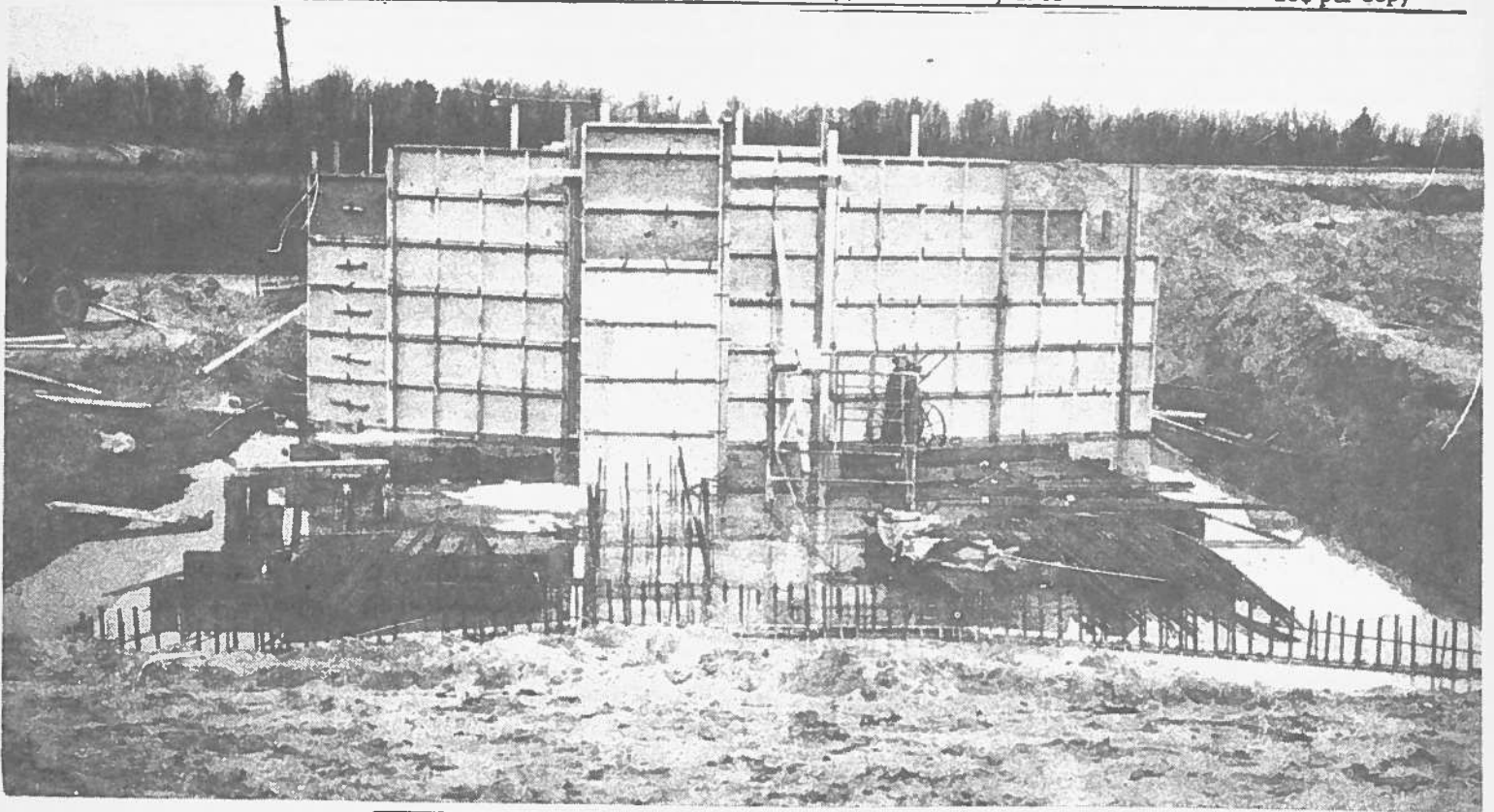
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CEMENT POURED MONDAY ON DAM FOR LAKE OF THE HILLS DEVELOPMENT PROJECT

Cement was poured Monday on the north side of the superstructure of the dam for Lake of the Hills, greatest development ever to come to Weidman.

Shown above are the intricate forms demanded by engineers, made of inch plywood reinforced with 2x4's, and inside the forms a maze of reinforcing steel where cement is poured, as has been the case in every phase of building of the Lake of the Hills dam.

The boxed-off squares shown above are two-by-four reinforcements of the plywood inside to receive the cement.

Allen Lumber Co. was cheered by the achievement Monday, as its men have worked under to-tally adverse weather conditions this fall in building this dam.

Now the worst is over, and completion of the dam is in sight.

After a few days' hardening, we understand the forms will be taken down and set up for the south side of the superstructure, a saving of time and expense.

Most difficult job was preparing and pouring cement for the base of the dam, which also had to be interlaced with two layers of steel bars, each fastened separately, to be encased in the cement.

In other words, the whole dam is steel reinforced cement. All people concerned: the develop-

ers and land owners, breathed a sigh of relief this week when the dam began nearing completion.

It is expected that platting of lots will begin in December, with brushing out and clearing going on all winter long. Hopes are for saleable lots in spring or early summer.

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Obituary

GLADYS WENDEL

Gladys Wendel of Farwell died Saturday morning early at CMC Hospital, following her admission Friday morning for treatment of a blood clot. She was 52 years old. She had been in ill health a long time, and was a patient sufferer and enthusiastic worker.

She and her husband, Claude, purchased and opened the Rustic Inn Restaurant between Clare and Farwell this past year, and she loved the venture into business, and the restaurant work.

She was Gladys Field, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Field, of Gilmore. She had very many friends in this area.

Surviving, besides her husband, are three sons, Richard, in military service in California; Lester of Montrose, and Melvin of Flint; two daughters, Claudette and Barbara, both of Flint; and ten grandchildren.

Also surviving are two sisters, Clara Crowley of Detroit, and

May Bilyea of Flint; and brothers, Ralph McNeal of Mio and Harry Field of near Sherman City.

Funeral services were held Tuesday at 2.30 p. m. in the Gilmore Church of Christ, with C. Hiram Gates officiating. Interment was in the Gilmore Cemetery.

Mrs. Wendel drove to Montrose last week to visit her son Lester, who was seriously hurt in a recent tractor accident. Lester was reported to be off the critical list the first of this week but was unable to leave the hospital.

The Wendels lived in Flint until recent years, when they returned to the Gilmore area, purchasing first a summer home and later, in August of this year, the Rustic Inn.

The Gilmore Merry Go Round Club ladies served dinner to the family after the funeral Tuesday afternoon.

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BEAL CITY CARNIVAL SATURDAY, NOV. 6

The Fall Festival and Carnival at the Beal City School will be held Saturday evening, Nov. 6, from 6.30 to 10.30.

Fun, games and refreshments for all are promised. This is a PTA project, and proceeds will go for school equipment.

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WATCH WEIDMAN GROW

REV. TUSTIN WILLIAMS DIES AT AGE 82

Rev. Tustin Williams died at his home in Six Lakes Sunday, Oct. 23, at the age of 82. He was stricken with a heart attack as he was preparing to go to church, the United Brethren Church north of Six Lakes where he was pastor for eight years.

Friends report he always said he wanted to die in the harness, and God granted him that request.

The Williams family have a great many friends throughout this community.

Rev. Williams built the Forest Hill Church of God and was pastor there seven years. He had numerous pastorates in this area for many years.

Funeral services were held at Stephen's Funeral Home in Edmore Wednesday at 1 p. m.

"One more of God's warriors gone." Sympathy is extended to the family.

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SURPRISE PARTY HONORS 40TH ANNIVERSARY

A surprise party was held Saturday evening honoring the 40th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Courser, at their home.

Thirty-eight were present, and enjoyed an evening of cards. A lunch of sandwiches, cake and jello was enjoyed by all.

We all offer congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Courser.

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STANDING CORN FOR SALE--
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APPLES--For Sale. We now have apples at the orchard, from Greenville. McIntosh and Red Delicious. Harold Skinner, 5 1/2 miles north of Weidman on Woodruff Road and 1/2 mile west on Stevenson Lake Road, to second house.
Nov. 4t1

GULF FUEL OIL--Prompt local delivery. Mitch Abbott, Weidman, ph. 644-3451.
Nov 4tf

FOUND--Five ice spuds in the Weidman Mill Pond. Some are pretty good. George Skinner, Weidman.
Oct. 28tf

Card Of Thanks

A note of thanks from Mr. and Mrs. Fred Rescoe to Mrs. Joan Charnes, Mrs. Emma Middlesworth, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Carrick, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Herman, and Mrs. Vada Louisell, who helped our children make this a lovely Silver Anniversary reception.

Thanks to all of our friends and relatives for the lovely gifts and cards. They were all very nice. Thank you.

Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Rescoe.

MESSENGER WANT AD RESTORES LOST DOG TO GRAND RAPIDS OWNER

Louis Thomas of Grand Rapids placed a want ad in the Messenger a few weeks ago, offering a reward for information on his beagle hound, "Bill," if we remember the dog's name correctly. Mr. Thomas had lost his dog while hunting up here in our

woods.

This week Warren Leiter called to let us know he found the dog, called Mr. Thomas as directed in the want ad, Mr. Thomas came and got his beagle, and everyone was happy.

So are we, both for the dog and his owner, and for the way the Messenger want ads work.

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BEANS, CORN CROPS SUFFER FROM RAINS

Farmers report heavy losses on bean and corn crops in this area, with great difficulty being experienced in harvesting beans on account of rains and excess moisture.

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Editor's Column

By Connie

WHAT MEANS WHAT?

"On the glatter heavier soils on the east side of the county them have seemed more drab than other years. . . . Enjoy this middle of October beauty now folks--it is only Heralding in the bleakness of winter to follow."--Mt. Pleasant Times-News, Oct. 30, 1965.

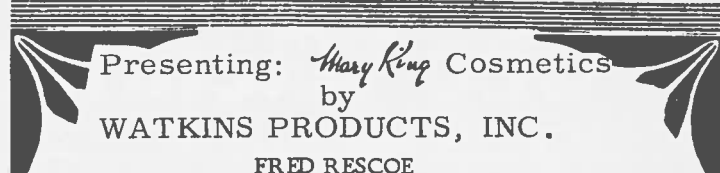
We have become accustomed to typographical and ignorance-induced errors in our papers to the extent that most of us don't even see them any more.

Our Mt. Pleasant daily paper is no worse than the Detroit Free Press, or the Grand Rapids papers. At first folks laughed at the jumbled-up reading material handed them in their newspapers, then they began taking them for granted. But we can't help feeling that right there was a great influence in newspapers' losing prestige and therefore power to sway public opinion.

The story of errors in newspapers goes back to the beginning of this century, and the Printers' Union's fight for the eight-hour day (first to win on this), and the Printers' Union's subsequent rise in power.

By the 1920s the ITU dictated working conditions and wages of all metropolitan newspapers and printing plants. Included in this control was the "proof desk," a separate department where the staff did nothing but read proof. Galley proofs, page proofs. Nobody reads page proofs now, except possibly the very small weekly newspapers.

In the old days, the proof desk



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was manned by printers grown old in the trade---a highly skilled trade it was, too--and given a sit-down job in old age. The proof department on papers like the New York dailies, and those in Chicago, Los Angeles, and so on, where the Roe family worked during their young years, was called the Rocking Chair Brigade, on account of the average age (you were old at 60, then) of the proofreaders.

It was no laughing matter. It was a badge of honor. Those old men and women had spent their lives working with words, their meaning, spelling and punctuation in usage, and by the time they made the Rocking Chair Brigade they had an education in English unequalled today by Ph.D.'s in universities. They did not rely on their own knowledge and judgment, however. Each proofreader had a dictionary at hand, and used it, dozens of times during an eight-hour day.

Came the day when the ITU became too-heavy with power, and its inevitable corruption and decline.

"The Publishers," ITU's natural enemy, demanded control of the proof desk, I believe in the 1930s, and employers no longer had to pay union scale for people to "just read proof". Publishers hired "girls from candy counters," the printers complained, with no knowledge of English or spelling, and immediately the quality of newspaper reading went down.

Gone were the old-timers with a lifetime of working with words, words, words. Gone was their prideful zeal in catching errors, in spelling, grammar and use of words. In their places were young people upon whom publishers put no demands for knowledge of the English language.

Today we skip over typographical errors in the biggest and best newspapers, and think nothing of them.

The nation lost more than a union's jurisdiction over the proof desk. It lost respect for its newspapers, which was the beginning of cynicism for what we see in print, and an additive to our present-day moral chaos.

If you can't believe what you read in the papers, what can you believe? So we don't believe much of anything, as a

nation, and this editor blames a smidgeon of the first beginnings of our present development on publishers' eagerness to avoid union wages for the Rocking Chair Brigade, which kept our newspapers "clean," as we say in the trade, and knew more about the English language than probably any Americans ever again will know.

I know--I got long-winded over this. I have always felt deeply about the substitution of experienced and knowledgeable proofreaders for just anybody who will take the job for lowest wages possible.

Today's proof readers, except on the metropolitan dailies, do other chores besides reading proof. So it's no wonder our reading comes out jumbled now and then, to get back to our quote at the beginning of this column.

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Local Items

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Walton of Rosebush and Mrs. Wava Allen of Ionia were Sunday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Wark.

Mrs. Roy Adams and children spent the recent two-day school vacation in Lowell and Grand Rapids, with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Lawens have moved into their beautiful new house.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Holt and family of Mt. Pleasant were Sunday dinner guests of Mrs. Nina Forbes.

Mrs. Charles E. Brien of Mt. Pleasant, daughter-in-law of Mrs. Nina Forbes, returned from the hospital at Midland Saturday, feeling much better.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wagner's new daughter, born Sept. 16, has been named Julia.

Bernice Moline of Mt. Pleasant called on her aunt, Mrs. Edna Schultz, Sunday.

Fred Snyder of Eaton Rapids has been spending the week in Weidman.

Miss Robyn Cale of Wotona, Wisc., visited her grandmother, Mrs. Flossie Davy, Sunday. She was on her way to Detroit, and stopped to visit here.

Mrs. Emily Wood returned last Thursday from Bay City, where she spent two weeks with her stepchildren.

EAST

Coldwater

Esther Skinner, Reporter

Esther Skinner and Wallace helped George Hamilton of Blanchard on fixing up his home for winter Thursday. Alice and Brenda Skinner spent the day with the Rex Allen children of Blanchard. Thursday evening, Harold came from his work by way of Blanchard and had supper with the Allens.

Raymond and Dick Skinner spent Thursday with their Aunt Thelma while their mother was in Blanchard.

Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Olger and children and Stewart Voss called on Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hard and children of Freeland Saturday. They also called on Mrs. Elton Wilcox of Midland, on their way home.

Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Olger and children called on Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Latham Thursday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Husted called on Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Olger Sunday afternoon.

Friday afternoon Esther Skinner took Wally, Ray, Dick, Alice and Brenda to Farwell to spend the weekend with their grandmother Miller. Mr. and Mrs. Harold Skinner went in Sunday evening for dinner and brought the children home.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Skinner made a business trip to Greenville Saturday for apples. Saturday evening they had apple cider made. It was sold out the first of the week.

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N. Broomfield

Maycie Cook, Reporter

Mrs. Cleo Wiley, Maycie Cook and Roderick Nicholson spent Monday with their cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Crary, of East Tawas.

The Broomfield-Remus Youth Group entertained the Clare group at a Hallowe'en in the Remus church basement Sunday evening. A short skit of the life of Dr. Martin Luther was presented. A delightful lunch was enjoyed during the evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Wood spent Thursday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Emil Lueder.

Mrs. Robert Cook and Mrs. Glee Krueger spent Sunday evening with Miss Myrtle Walch of Remus.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Johnsmiller of Ann Arbor were Friday guests of Mrs. Eda VanZandt.

Emil Lueder was a Sunday dinner guest of Mrs. Van Zandt, and Mrs. Gaynelle Mitchell of Mt. Pleasant spent Sunday evening.

Mrs. Robert Hines spent Friday with Mrs. Nettie Crowley.

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Rev. and Mrs. Marvin Eldridge visited relatives in Sheridan, Caledonia Friday and Saturday.

ON THE HISTORY OF NOTTAWA TOWNSHIP

The Weidman Messenger Dear Mrs. Skinner:

The enclosed is a copy of some early history of Nottawa Township. It was written by my mother, now deceased, and found among papers and clippings she had accumulated over the years.

Vandecar would be on the Weidman Road at the corner where Joe Stevens' farm is located.

If you wish to publish it, you may use stamp for return of copy.

Sincerely,
Leonard E. Jackson
Wheeler, Mich.

VAN DECAR

Most of the older people will remember Van Decar, our first trading post and lumbering town, started in 1878.

What was thought to be the making of a new town was when Van Decar was started one mile north and one mile east of Beal City, in Nottawa Township.

Levi B. Van Decar and wife, Nancy, built a store in Sec. 14. He started with \$75 worth of merchandise. His wife attended the store while he cleared the land, in 1879.

He started a post office, which put Van Decar on the map. He carried the mail twice a week from Mt. Pleasant. When he was unable to go, Fred Schupbach would take his place.

In 1883, a stage coach brought the mail, and also passengers. Mr. Van Decar had to get all his merchandise from Mt. Pleasant. This was very difficult, as there were no good roads, and often they were very muddy.

Mr. Van Decar told the story of when he brought 450 pounds of groceries, he had to unload five times between Mt. Pleasant and Van Decar.

His trade was mostly with the Indians, bartering goods for furs and baskets. We are told there were about 40 families of Indians living here then.

Levi Van Decar also had a saw mill, in which he first used a threshing machine as steam engine. However, his business having greatly increased, he had to enlarge the capacity of his mill by putting in more power.

Mr. Van Decar had great hope of the Ann Arbor Railroad coming through Nottawa, but that never came to pass.

In 1882, a school was built in Van Decar. It was a little east, on the farm now owned by A. J. Tilmann. This school was taught by Eva Marlette in 1883, by Kate Pratt from St. Johns in 1884, and by Jesse Sharp of Rosebush in 1885.

There were only four months of school per year then, on account of the shortage of funds.

McNeil had a blacksmith shop

just east of the school. Wallace Van Decar had a hotel to the northeast, which is now the Charles Schmidt farm. Along with running this hotel, he also bought logs and helped his brother Levi with his saw and planing mill.

William Mills came next, from Clarksville, in 1885, and started the second general store at Van Decar. He also was in partnership with John Graham in a sawmill.

Adam Scott, a half-brother, helped him in the store, and later he started a general store in Weidman. It was known by the name of Mills & Scott Bros. Mr. Mills then owned what is now the Big Four Farm (now the Jos. Stevens Dairy Farm).

All the buildings have either been torn down or moved from Van Decar, so it is no longer on the map.

(Written by Mrs. Elden Jackson, formerly of Nottawa and Gilmore Townships.)

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NEWS NOTES

Mrs. Jeanne Smith visited Mrs. Bob Louisell of near Mt. Pleasant last Wednesday afternoon, and also called on her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Schertel.

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WEIDMAN METHODIST CHURCH
Rev. Williams P. Reynders, Minister

The Esther Circle of the Weidman Woman's Society of Christian Service met at the church at 7.15 p. m. and went to Mt. Pleasant to hear Dr. Cyrus H. Gordon speak on "New Vistas in Understanding the Bible," on Monday, Nov. 1, instead of their regular meeting, which would have been Nov. 8. There will be no meeting on Nov. 8.

The Official Board, which was scheduled to meet Nov. 1, will meet Nov. 8, so that some of them might attend the lecture. Annual smorgasbord Thursday, Nov. 4, serving from 5.30 to 7 p. m.

Friday, Nov. 5, several members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service will join with the Council of Church Women for a breakfast and program in First Presbyterian Church, Mt. Pleasant, at 9 a. m. The Weidman and Deerfield groups are contributing 23 sewing kits for Council of Churches World Service.

The Deerfield Woman's Society of Christian Service will have a rummage sale in the IOOF Hall in Mt. Pleasant Saturday, Nov. 6.

BETTER THAN A LETTER

Lake Man In "Big Red 1" Division

U.S. Army, Vietnam — "... They are trained and ready to meet the new face of war..." said the "Big Red One" commander, Maj. Gen. Jonathan O. Seaman, as PFC Dale E. Denslow debarked here with other members of the 1st Infantry Division.

Son of Mr. and Mrs. Lyle E. Denslow, Route 1, Lake, Mich., Denslow is an automatic rifleman with the division which was ordered to duty here as a result of President Johnson's announced troop build-up in Vietnam.

"The Fightin' First," as it is also known, participated in 18 major campaigns during World War I and II, earning 15 battle streamers. In World War II the division was first in North Africa, Sicily and France, and first to crack Hitler's Siegfried Line. During the two wars 21 of the division's members were awarded the coveted Medal of Honor.

General Seaman noted the spirit of the unit and the capabilities of its men when he remarked, "... These men of the 1st Division are good, and they know it..."

Denslow entered the Army in March 1964 and completed basic training at Fort Bragg, Ky.

He was engaged in farming before entering the Army.

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WEIDMAN BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. Marvin Eldridge, Pastor

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

Prayer meetings for the month of November will be each Thursday evening at the Clayton Miller home.

A new sign was donated the church by the Howard Wenger family of Dutton, Mich.

ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

Beal City
Rev. Father Edward Neubecker, Pastor
Rev. Father Hugh King, Assistant

Sunday Masses 7 a. m., 8.30 and 10.30.

Masses on Holy Days will be one hour earlier than the Sunday Masses.

St. Leo's Catholic Church at Winn has Sunday Mass at 9.30 a. m.

Beal City

Dora Smith, Reporter

John Banham and Vivian McGrogan were united in marriage Saturday, Oct. 30, in Mt. Pleasant. Mr. and Mrs. John Yuncker stood up with them.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Ahlers called on Henry Ahlers in Mt. Pleasant Friday.

A group of people from Beal City helped the Charlie Reihls with a bee Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Egbert spent Wednesday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Joe Fabiano at School Section Lake.

Mrs. Gary Riggles visited at the Tex Schafer home Friday.

Several friends of Vern Hoag helped him celebrate his eighth birthday. He received lovely gifts.

Mrs. Gary Riggles and son, Vern, visited Mrs. Fred Yuncker, Jr., and also called on her father, Thursday. They visited Mrs. Sharon Lonergan and new son on Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Schafer of Dewitt and Joe and Clifford Schafer of Lansing spent Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Tony Schafer.

Mr. and Mrs. James Block of Denver, Colo., have announced the birth of a son, Brian, Oct. 28. James is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Block of Beal City.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Miller and Mrs. Andy Gillies of Detroit spent the weekend at the Ed Kavanaugh home.

Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Pung and children of St. Johns spent the weekend at the Joe Pung home.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Pung, Mrs. E. N. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Pung, Mr. and Mrs. Tony Schafer, Mrs. Joe Martin and Mrs. Lucille Caffrey motored to Cadillac Thursday to celebrate Mrs. Frank Laubenthal's 86th birthday. All reported a lovely time.

Mr. and Mrs. Tony Schafer spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Tony Schafer, Jr., at Winn.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Trowbridge and family of Greenville spent Sunday with Theresa and Ronald Smith. He also got his deer, on his special license.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Pung are the proud parents of a baby boy. His name is Edward.

Miss Vera Reihl spent Sunday afternoon with Miss Theresa Smith.

Alfred, Matilda and Dora Wacker of St. Johns spent Sunday afternoon with Louise Smith.

Mrs. Rose Martin, Lucille Caffrey of New York, and Louise Smith had Sunday dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Will Pung.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Schafer, Mrs. Dick Schafer and children, Mrs. Howard Schafer and baby, Mrs. Louise Smith, Mrs. Lucille Caffrey and Rose Martin all called on Mr. and Mrs. Peter Schafer Sunday afternoon.

Virginia and Debra Rau and Ann Smith were Sunday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Wilcox in Weidman.

Mrs. Joe Keiffer had a quilting Tuesday afternoon. Ladies present were Mrs. Albina Rau, Mrs. Effie Schafer, Mrs. Will Pung, Mrs. Louise Smith, Mrs. Rose Martin, Mrs. Lucille Caffrey, Mrs. Tony Schafer, and Mrs. Tony Tilmann. All had a wonderful time, and a delicious supper.

Delores Rau and Dora Smith called on Joe Reihl Sunday afternoon.

The K. of C. breakfast in the church basement Sunday was well attended.

Mrs. Lucille Caffrey and Rose Martin of New York, who have been here visiting for three weeks, left for home Nov. 1.

Mrs. Clara Schultz, who kept house for Father Grinzinger, is staying at the Will Faber home.

Mrs. Floyd Hauck spent Sunday with Mrs. Joseph Marchiando.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Blasen spent Sunday in Lansing.

Miss Loretta Fox of Rochester spent the weekend with her mother, Mrs. Clara Fox.

Miss Virginia Rau of Bay City spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Walter Rau and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Faber entertained some friends Saturday evening with a Hallowe'en party.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Rau and Mr. and Mrs. Dick Funnell went to Houghton Lake Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Effie Schafer had the Ruhm Bunch Monday evening. Mrs. Lucille Caffrey won the door prize.

Mrs. Leona Simmer entered CMC Hospital in Mt. Pleasant last week.

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Brinton News

Cora Estes, Reporter

FAMILY PARTY FOR PATRICK CONLEY

There was a family get-together and dinner Sunday at the Community Hall in Brinton, honoring Patrick Conley, who left Monday from Manton for the Armed Services.

Those attending were his parents, the Lloyd Conleys, of Mt. Pleasant. Mrs. Pat's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Ashbey and daughter, Bethel, of Manton;

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Wood, James and John of Gilmore, Mrs. B. J. Brasher and two children, Dorothy Spratt, Mrs. Russell Flaughner and Steve and Becky, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Olger, and the Dewey Olger family.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Baker of Ortonville spent the weekend with the Clarence Chaffee and the Ken Baker families.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Wright visited the Roland Merrihew family in Detroit from Saturday until

Sunday evening.

Violet Wright and Frances Beck called on Violet's father at the San near Saginaw, Friday.

The Quilting Club met Wednesday, Oct. 27, with nine ladies present. The next meeting was Nov. 3.

Mr. and Mrs. John Irish of Saginaw were over Sunday guests at the James Maddox home.

Youngsters from far around were calling on Brinton folks Hallowe'en.

Coldwater Farm Bureau Group meets with Lena St. John Nov. 12.

Mrs. Carl Fitzgerald of Gray Lake, Mrs. Bessie Forbes and Mr. Lee visited Mrs. Hazel Oberlin and were in Lakeview during the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Geasler and daughter, Emily, and Mrs. Gordon Fosberg visited the Mitchell Geasler family at Lapeer Sunday. Rev. and Mrs. Marvin Eldridge and Brian of Weidman were all day guests Thursday at the Bert Estes home.

Mrs. Annabel Schrock was home over the weekend and attended church services in Brinton Sunday.

Orlan Blackledge, a trucker from Marion, was loading lambs from the Elwood Miller and Bert Estes farms Saturday.

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Two Rivers

Mrs. Singleton Moses, Reporter

Mrs. Elizabeth Hildebrandt of Flint visited her sister, Mrs. Lorena Moses, Sunday, and spent the night.

Sunday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Oral Bunting were Mr. and Mrs. Olin Bunting and family of Belding, and Mr. and Mrs. John Bunting and Tim.

Mr. and Mrs. Blaine Stansell visited Mrs. Zean Brailey at Hesperia Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Milo Reynolds of Nevins Lake called on the Stansells Sunday.

Mrs. Singleton Moses and children spent a few days last week with Mr. and Mrs. Orrin Moses in Flint.

Friends and family of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Courser helped them celebrate their 40th wedding anniversary.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Larson of Birch Run visited Mr. and Mrs. Chris Larson Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Singleton Moses and family called on Mr. and Mrs. Charles Webber of Clare the first of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Moses of Mt. Pleasant called on Mr. and Mrs. Louise Baker Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Singleton Moses and family spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Robert Ballard of near Greenville.

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NEWS NOTE

Gary McArthur spent the weekend at his home here, from his studies at CMU.

REBEKAH CARD PARTY

The regular Rebekah-sponsored card party was held at the home of Edna Schultz last week Tuesday.

Four tables were in play, and prizes were won by Nina Forbes, first, Edna Hammond second, Mabel Walz low, Elizabeth Neubecker, pepper, with the door prize being won by Tress Bunting.

The committee served cake and jello and coffee and tea for lunch.

The next party will be Nov. 9 at Mrs. Schultz's home.

At the last party, there was also a White Elephant sale that went over big with the ladies.

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Local Items

Mr. and Mrs. Fay Beutler and daughter, Nancy, of Holland were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Sprague. Miss Nancy spent the day at the Harold Straus home. The Spragues and their guests enjoyed the Masonic smorgasbord. Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Dent of Farwell were evening callers.



FRED SNYDER WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION ON FRIDAY, NOV. 12

Beginning at 1 o'clock p.m. Household Goods, Furniture, some antiques.

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Walker Creek News

Esther Stanley, Reporter

Mrs. Arthur Schrock spent the weekend at home. The last four weeks she was at Holland in the obstetric and maternity division of her nursing course. She will now be in pediatrics at Grand Rapids. The Schrocks' granddaughter, Mary, was a dinner guest Sunday, and accompanied her grandfather to take her grandmother back to school.

Mrs. Schrock informed us that her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Smith, of Riverdale, would be celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary Sunday, Nov. 7. They have made many friends in this community, and thought they might perhaps want to attend the event or send a card.

Rodney Schrock is now attending welding school at Lansing.

Mrs. Howard Monroe came home from the hospital Tuesday.

Arthur Atchinson was a Friday dinner guest at the Monroe home. Mr. and Mrs. Monroe and son, Blaine, were Sunday dinner guests of her brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Harlan Shook, at Midland.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Savage of Mt. Pleasant were Sunday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Dillenbeck.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Theisen and family of Mt. Pleasant were Thursday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Keith Loomis.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Loomis were Friday night visitors of their son and family. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Loomis and family were Sunday dinner guests.

Mrs. Harry Dosenberry and sons, Paul and Keith, were in Evart on business Saturday. They also called at the home of her brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Rosser.

Mrs. Dosenberry assisted at the OES smorgasbord Sunday in Weidman.

Mr. and Mrs. Lou Gray were in Mt. Pleasant and Clare on business Tuesday.

Mrs. Loren Gray and children of Mt. Pleasant visited Mr. and Mrs. Lou Gray Thursday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Gray were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. James Struble of Alma.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Beutler and Mary, and Mrs. Lena St. John attended the wedding reception for Linda (Bark) and Clayton Hanson at the Brinton Community Hall Saturday evening.

Mrs. St. John is working at Gover's in Mt. Pleasant.

Mr. and Mrs. Beutler attended the 25th wedding anniversary party for Mr. and Mrs. Fred Rescoe at the Weidman Methodist Church Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Beutler visited his sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Straus, and Mr. and Mrs.

Fay Beutler of Holland, who were guests at the Straus home Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Willis Finney and son, Scott Dean, were weekend guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Denslow. Mrs. Denslow visited Mrs. Stanley Dague Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Skalitzky visited Mr. and Mrs. Ward Loomis of Sherman City Sunday evening.

Lucinda St. John baby-sat for Mr. and Mrs. Donald Stanley over the weekend, while Cheryl and McDonald went to Muskegon with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Glen McDonald.

Mr. and Mrs. Gary St. John and Deana were Saturday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Zill. Larry and Deana came trick-or-treating. The other little boys still have measles.

Roddy Thompson was an overnight guest of the Dosenberry boys Saturday, and enjoyed trick or treat with Keith and the Lowery children.

Mr. and Mrs. Kaith Thompson attended the 40th wedding anniversary party for her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Courser, of rural Mt. Pleasant, Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Leiter of Hannah Lake were Sunday afternoon guests of Mr. and Mrs. Warren Leiter.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Vinton of Eight Point Lake and Mrs. Adelbert Pung and Susan and Sandra visited Mr. and Mrs. Donald Stanley and family Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Kent and Ronda of Mt. Pleasant were guests during the week, and the men enjoyed hunting.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Fussman and sons, Roger and Jeffrey, were Sunday evening guests of the Stanleys.

Mrs. Ethel McLean visited her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Miller, Monday. She was a guest of her son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Miles Miller, Thursday, and enjoyed dinner with them at the Dairy Bar in Barryton. Mrs. McLean was a guest at the home of her son, Cloyce, and they took her out to dinner Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Otis Conley and Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Rodman of Lake were at Elk Rapids Tuesday. The Conleys visited Mr. and Mrs. Rodman Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Schrock visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Owens, of Lake, Sunday, and Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Tetzloff of Ionia, who were weekend guests at the Owens home.

Deborah Pung of Beal City spent Friday night and Saturday with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Stanley.

David Moore was a weekend guest of the Stanleys, and attended a party for Bill Coughlin at the Fred Yuncker home Saturday evening. Bill left for the service Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley and Mr.

and Mrs. Thomas Moore of Big Rapids attended a Halloween party at the Walter Faber home Saturday evening.

Sunday dinner guests at the Stanley home were Mr. and Mrs. Adelbert Pung and Susan and Sandra of St. Johns, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Pung and family of Beal City, David Moore and Ronnie Stanley. Mr. and Mrs. Moore were evening guests.

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Amelia Wieber, Reporter

Walter Smith, Pete Martin, Fred Yuncker, and Matt Kornexl spent a week ago Saturday at Traverse City, to visit Walter's brother, Bob. He was very glad to see them. He has been there for a long time.

A baby boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Lonergan Oct. 19. Mrs. Lonergan was Sharon Thren. She was staying with her folks, the Ken Martins, in St. Louis, for a while.

Mr. and Mrs. John Faber spent a week ago Tuesday with Mr. and Mrs. Leo Raihl.

Mrs. Don Paisley and Jacqueline and Gary spent a week ago Wednesday with her grandmother, Amelia Wieber.

Mr. and Mrs. John Faber and Mr. and Mrs. Herman Martin spent a week ago Wednesday with Mr. and Mrs. Reihl. They enjoyed playing cards.

Mrs. Steve Simmer called on Amelia Wieber Saturday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Faber and family of Shepherd spent Sunday afternoon with her folks, the Joe Wawersiks.

Mr. and Mrs. Barney Gallagher of Coldwater Lake spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Yuncker and family.

Ken Wawersik, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Wawersik, left Oct. 5 for Army service. He is stationed at Fort Knox, Ky.

Amelia Wieber plans to visit her granddaughter's family, the Ed Fabers, in Shepherd, next week, to stay a couple of weeks.

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NEWS NOTES


Mr. and Mrs. Carl Embrey, Eunice Blackmer and Minnie Flaughter spent Sunday in Grand Rapids. They called on Harold and Marie Bowen in Grandville. The Bowens' son was killed in an auto accident in Wyoming Township Friday night.

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ROBBERY VICTIM GETS HELP AT MAYCIE COOK'S

The young man who reported he was robbed and thrown out of a car, heard by us all on radio this past week, appeared at the home of Mrs. Will (Maycie) Cook early Sunday morning.

Locality of the victim's appearance was given on radio as on the River Road, and we all thought of River Road leading into Mt. Pleasant.

Maycie's home is on River Road, far west, in Broomfield Township. As Maycie said to the Messenger, "It's getting so our country roads may come up with just anything."

Maycie was awakened before daylight Sunday morning, and on arising, saw that her yard light was on. She awakened her sister, Mrs. Cleo Wiley, who is staying with her, and the two women went to the kitchen door, where they found the young man, apparently dazed and exhausted.

He said, "I've been robbed and thrown out of a car. Will you call police?"

Maycie called her son, Bob Cook, who called the police.

Maycie and Cleo gave the victim breakfast, and police took over from there. The young man said he was hitch-hiking from Chicago to Sault Ste. Marie, to visit his parents.

Maycie said he was well mannered, and told police word for word the same story he had told the Cooks. Later there appeared to be some evidence that someone or something had been dumped from a moving car not far from Maycie's home. Report had it the boy's wallet, empty, also was found later, nearby.

We all join with Maycie's wondering: "What are our country roads coming to, when such things happen near our country homes?"

North Weidman**Wanda Graham, Report****IVA JOHNSON BREAKS BACK IN HAYRIDE SATURDAY**

Mrs. Iva Johnson suffered a broken back in a hayride Saturday evening, a party sponsored by a Mt. Pleasant church group.

The Johnsons recently opened a riding stable north of Weidman, and were featuring hay rides and sleigh rides for the winter. This was their first hay ride.

Mrs. Johnson is in the CMC Hospital at Mt. Pleasant, and she would appreciate cards from her friends. She is in the same room as Ollie Denslow, an old friend.

Mrs. Bessie Sexton is helping to care for her grandchildren, since their mother's accident Saturday.

Weekend callers at the Don Alwood home were Mr. and Mrs. Burdette Denslow and Rusty Al-

wood of Lansing, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Kripa of Mt. Pleasant, Ruthie Gott of Farwell, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Burden, and Don Smith.

Weekend callers at the Norman Abbott home were Earl Jewel of Oil City, Del Abbott and Donnie Abbott of Middleton, Bob Branson and friend of Lansing, Harold Branson, Violet Schafer, Sadie Teeter of Mt. Pleasant, and Orval Abbott.

Timmy Abbott, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Abbott, has the measles.

Mr. and Mrs. Meryl Graham and girls attended the annual fish dinner at the Masonic Lodge in Clare Friday evening.

Miss Ruthie Gott of Farwell spent from Wednesday till Sunday with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. John Gott. Sunday callers were Mr. and Mrs. Carl Gott and children of Altona, Dick Gott and son, Richard, of Farwell, Mrs. Bessie Allen, and Mr. and Mrs. Meryl Graham and girls.

Mrs. Hazel Battleshaw baked a birthday cake in honor of her birthday last Wednesday, and shared it with the afternoon kindergartners during their Hallowe'en party. Other mothers attending the party included Esther Skinner, Ruth Turnbull, Monica Parker, Gladys Parker, and Helen Alwood.

Jim Abbott is working a few days for his cousin, Orval Branson, hauling gravel.

Several young men attended a combined going-away party for Richard Embrey, who left Nov. 3 for the service, and a stag party for Jerry Cook, who will be married Nov. 6. The party was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Kenny McDaniels.

Miss Melanie McClain spent the weekend with Kathy and Paula Hines of Barryton.

Mrs. Wilma Waters entertained her school class at a party at her home Friday afternoon.

Mrs. Norman Abbott and Carolyn, Judy and Jerry spent the weekend at Howell, where Norm works in the oil fields. He was laid off for a few days and was home with his family.

Mrs. Helen Alwood and Cathy attended Hallowe'en parties at the Weidman School Wednesday afternoon, with Mrs. Agnes Fox. Other mothers to enjoy the party in Mrs. Gingrich's room were Mrs. Donna Houghton, Mrs. Lucille Smith, and Mrs. Leah Scharrer.

Mr. and Mrs. George McClain attended the 25th wedding anniversary Open House for Mr. and Mrs. Fred Rescoe at the Weidman Methodist Church basement Sunday afternoon.

Saturday evening visitors at the Roy S. Adams home were Mr. and Mrs. Dave Adams of Traverse City. During the week, Mrs. Robert Embrey and Mrs. Harold Adams of Lake were papering the upstairs of the Adams home.

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WATCH WEIDMAN GROW

In the Editor's Mail**LETTER FROM THE JOHN HIBBERDS**

Fremont, Calif.
Oct. 23, 1965

Dear Connie:

I'm sorry I forgot to call you when we were ready to leave on our trip. Our granddaughter, Pamela, attended to all the details, made our reservations, bought the tickets. Then she and her husband, Lee Kahler, came to the farm last Sunday and took us to their home in Davison.

On Tuesday she took us to Detroit to the plane. Her Dad had suggested she tell the plane officials that we were old people and it was our first trip, and ask them to assist us.

Well, they really did, showed us every courtesy possible. And as we stepped from the plane onto the second floor of the terminal in San Francisco, we were met by a Mr. Wood from public relations, who took us to his office, where there was a pretty stewardess waiting with a corsage of pink orchids, also a man with a camera to take our pictures, as the young lady was pinning the corsage on my coat. Just before the plane landed, a stewardess presented us with a lovely anniversary cake.

Chuck met us, and brought us over to our daughter, Imogene's. Then Chuck, his wife, and daughter, Phyllis, came for supper. It was a wonderful reunion.

Then today (Oct. 23), we received word from our daughter Madge in Deerfield Beach, Florida, that her husband, Harley Tietz, had just passed away, following a severe heart attack.

Chuck and Imogene will take the 11 o'clock plane tonight to go to her, and Ruth called from Las Vegas, to say she will take the 3 a. m. plane, and they will all three be in Miami tomorrow. It's lovely here, temperature about 90 degrees in the afternoon, not much fog so far. And I'm sure I shall enjoy being here, away from the snow and ice this winter.

The news, I believe, of our arrival here, and the picture they took of us, will be sent to you for the Messenger, and also the Grand Rapids Press. In case they do send it to you, will you send us a copy of the paper?

Thank you for all past favors.

Sincerely

John and Evalena Hibberd.

Dear Connie and George:

I know it's past time for this check. Thanks so much for sending the paper anyway.

Bernard and I have been in Ann Arbor the last two months, and it just slipped my mind.

Our trip up the East Coast was beautiful, and now the "Bernie-Jo" is in Traverse City, where

she is comfortable in her cradle and indoors for the winter. Seems awful, this beautiful weather, doesn't it? (Editor's Note: This letter was received during the good October weather we had a couple of weeks ago.)

It's like a fairyland up on that bay now, with colored leaves. The hills are magnificent.

I've been enjoying the pictures you have had in the paper. Wish I could send you some, but I'm sorry to say I haven't any.

My best to you both.

Jo Woodruff.

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FHA NEWS

Mary Brown, Reporter
At 3.30 Oct. 27, a general meeting of the Weidman FHA Chapter was held to organize groups for the UNICEF drive, which ended by 7 p. m. Each penny contributed can supply five glasses of milk, each nickel can mean vaccine to protect five children from tb, 25 cents can buy 125 vitamin tablets.

After the Curiosity Club dance, other group meetings were held.

A new constitution was developed, the program of work for the year was completed, and the girls earned prizes through participation in recreational activities and games. Girls working on degrees took this opportunity to discuss progress on their degrees with the FHA advisors, Mrs. Margaret Tarsa.

Mrs. Edith Purdy assisted in chaperoning the group.

The sleepy girls left the school after cleaning up the mess and are looking forward to the next fun and work session.

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North Weidman

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Wood of Grand Rapids spent the weekend at the Jack Burden home. David Burden spent the weekend with his grandmother, Mrs. Lauraine Burden, of Remus.

Vernon Miller and friend of Northville spent the weekend with his sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bleise. They visited at the Clayton Miller home also. Mr. and Mrs. Tom Kennedy of Mt. Pleasant called on the Millers.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Miller are working on the United Fund drive in this area.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Abbott and Mr. and Mrs. Mitch Abbott and family were Sunday dinner guests at the Dan Wernette home.

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Local Item

Mrs. Joe Hogen was a Saturday dinner guest of Mr. and Mrs. John Sheldon. Minnie Flaughner and Doris Wilmot were afternoon callers. Tony Frayer and Russell Frayer and friends of St. Louis were callers during the day.

West Gilmore

Lena Cole, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Ockert are driving a new 1966 Bonneville Pontiac.

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Ockert of Farwell left for Florida last Saturday morning. They were going to Chicago from Farwell, to visit their son, Bill, and family, then they planned to go on to Ripley, West Virginia, to see Mrs. Ockert's cousin, Fred Stone. From there they were planning to go to Blacksburg, Va., to see Mr. and Mrs. Victor Phillips. Mr. Phillips and Mr. Ockert were in training for the blind in Chicago last winter together. They became very good friends. They planned to spend a couple of days with the Phillips family, then go on to Florida. They will send their address when they get there.

Elam Seymour is under the doctor's care, suffering from a cold.

Gregory Pitts was the honored guest at a party Sunday, at the home of his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Egbert Fordyce. Gregory had another birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Cole visited their nephew and niece, Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Wardwell, Friday evening in Mt. Pleasant. The Coles called on the Fred Wardwells Saturday. Fred was some better.

The neighborhood was saddened again Saturday morning by the death of Mrs. Gladys Wendel. Gladys was born and raised in this vicinity.

Mrs. Florence Kobel spent Thursday in Flint. Mrs. Charlotte Hart and Mrs. Paul Cole called on her Saturday.

Frank Walter entertained relatives from Detroit the weekend.

Mrs. Ty Strong and daughter of Charlotte visited her grandmother, Mrs. Charlotte Hart, Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Cole visited their sister and nephew, Clara and Lewis Wixson, Thursday evening.

Mrs. Charlotte Hart called on Mrs. Hugh Douglas Friday.

Word has been received that Eddie McAlvey, who underwent surgery at Little Traverse Hospital Tuesday of last week, was doing very well.

Mrs. Minnie Fordyce is also on the gain.

Mr. and Mrs. Archie Fordyce visited the Egbert Fordyces recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Geasler visited the Colin Campbells in Bar-ryton Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin Boger called on Mrs. Boger's mother, Mrs. Joe Geasler, of rural Mt. Pleasant, Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Worth visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Worth, at Chippewa Lake Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin Boger were dinner guests Saturday of their daughter and family, the Harry

Hermans, in Weidman. The Hermans' son, Tom, was also home.

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S.W. Sherman

Goldie Dutcher, Reporter

Joe and William Ockert were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Woodin. They all attended the 60th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. J.P. Simons of Remus in the afternoon.

Ronna Dutcher called in this area on the United Fund drive, this past week.

Larry Sisco called on Brian Dutcher Sunday.

Mrs. Velma Wiggins of Farwell was an overnight guest of her sister and brother-in-law, the George Woodins, a week ago Saturday, and they visited another sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Cloyce Scott, of Freeland.

Mr. and Mrs. George Woodin visited Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Ockert of Farwell Friday, as Melvin and his wife were leaving for Florida Saturday.

Scott Yuncker, son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Yuncker, broke his leg a week ago Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Woodin and Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Dutcher spent Saturday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher.

Jim Dutcher stayed Thursday night with Denny Howard.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Dutcher and Chris of Mt. Morris spent Saturday night and Sunday with the Clayton Dutchers.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dutcher, Rex and Dawn, were Saturday afternoon and supper guests of the Dutchers.

Garry Dutcher and children had Sunday dinner with his folks, and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Dutcher and children were evening callers.

Mr. and Mrs. Orrie Merrihew and Orval had dinner at the Masonic Temple in Weidman Sunday, then attended the 25th wedding anniversary party for Mr. and Mrs. Fred Rescoe in the afternoon at the Methodist Church.

Dewey Goodenough of Mancelona called on the Ervin Dutchers Tuesday forenoon.

Mrs. Lucile Merrihew spent from Thursday till Saturday in Lapeer, visiting her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Fleming, who are both in the Lapeer General Hospital at this time.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Remington and Troy of Saginaw spent from Tuesday till Thursday with Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher, Sr.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Baker of Ortonville spent the weekend with her folks, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Chaffee, and family. The Chaffees attended a surprise 40th wedding anniversary party for Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Courser Saturday evening at the Courser home.

Mr. and Mrs. George Merrihew visited Mr. and Mrs. Merle Scott of rural Evart, and attended the funeral of Fred Graber, Friday afternoon at Evart, then visited Mr. and Mrs. Ed Graber.

The Merrihews attended the smorgasbord at the Masonic Temple in Weidman Sunday, then visited Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Lawrence at Horsehead Lake in the afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Beutler and Mr. and Mrs. Carl Dutcher had Sunday dinner at the Masonic Temple in Weidman.

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Local Items

Geoffrey Allen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Allen, has been sick with bronchitis the past week.

Raymond Gardner suffered a stroke last Thursday, and was in St. Lawrence Hospital, Lansing, the first of the week, seriously ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Shook spent Sunday with her father, Arthur Taylor, in Bentley.

Local Items

Mrs. Ted Smith and son, Jim, and Mrs. Leah Scharrer called on Wm. Higbee Friday at Broomfield Memorial Hospital. It was the best visit they had had with him in a long time. Mr. Higbee's birthday is Friday, Nov. 5. His very many friends will be sending him cards, which he appreciates very much.

Mrs. Hermione Smith was a Sunday dinner guests at the home of her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Don Smith.

Vada Carroll returned from Ford Hospital last Friday evening, feeling better. Doctors told her there that she will get better slowly. Mrs. Carroll's son, Robert, brought her home and spent the night here.

Friday luncheon guests of Mrs. Clyde Beutler were Mrs. Ethel Price of Palo Alto, Calif., Mrs. John Allen of Lansing, and Mrs. Mary Fordyce of Mt. Pleasant.

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Jessie Rosencrantz, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Wood and family were Sunday dinner guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Wood.

Missionary Society met at the Annex last Thursday, and tied two quilts, and made plans for a bazaar and bake sale to be held the first week of December.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Thompson and boys had dinner Sunday in Frankenthuth, celebrating a belated wedding anniversary for Jim and Betty.

Mr. and Mrs. Benn Johnson and children drove to Pontiac Sunday to surprise his father on his birthday.

Farm Bureau meeting will be held at the Benn Johnson home Tuesday, Nov. 9.

Mr. and Mrs. Alva Cummins spent Tuesday in Stanton with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Thurber.

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Lawrence spent Friday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Alva Cummins.

Sunday guests at the Vance Wood home were Mr. and Mrs. Bob Modderman of Grand Rapids, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Appelgreen and Carol Wood.

Mrs. Betty Thompson and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Thompson were business callers in Big Rapids and Mt. Pleasant Friday.

Mrs. Betty Thompson and boys and Mrs. Ellen Thompson attended the Hallowe'en party at the Drew Hall Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Dean Denslow and children spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Ehler, in Shepherd.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Fisk and family of Copemish and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Garner and Walter Davis were Sunday dinner guests of the Joe Martins. Other callers to see Woodrow Martin, who returned home Saturday from Mt. Pleasant, were Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Martin and family, Mrs. Alma Byron, Mrs. Cora Shippee and Jane, Emory Dell, and Harry Hardenburg.

Garth Lawrence was a Saturday called of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Lawrence. They accompanied him home and were dinner guests. When he brought them home, Judy and Pam came as far as Weidman and stopped to see her mother at the gas station.

Mrs. Grace Fitzgerald, Mrs. Besie Forbes, Jesse Lee and Mrs. Violet Oplinger were Tuesday afternoon callers of Jessie Rosencrantz. Mrs. Ronnie Dutcher was a Wednesday caller in this neighborhood on the United Fund drive.

Mrs. Joan Cochran and Mickey, and Mrs. Bea Gross and Charlene were Friday evening callers of Mrs. Marilyn Losey and family. Miss Sandy Gross and Lynette Jackson were Saturday callers.

Mrs. Pearl Loomis was a Sunday afternoon caller of Mrs. Eva Denslow.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Dent and

Harry attended a birthday supper a week ago Monday evening, in honor of their grandson, Carl Krueger, on his first birthday.

Sherri and Steven Johnson were Saturday overnight guests of Grandpa and Grandma Dent.

Mrs. Margaret Denslow attended Teachers' Institute Thursday and Friday in Midland and Saginaw.

Mrs. Minnie Strauch was a Sunday dinner guest at the Charlie Losey home.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Dent and Harry spent Saturday evening with her mother, Mrs. Emily Wood. Harry remained overnight with his grandmother.

We sure had the cutest little ghosts and goblins at our house Saturday evening.

Mrs. Lydia Williamson of Pontiac, a sister of Paul Miller, and his son, Duard, of Clawson, spent Tuesday with Mr. and Mrs. Miller.

Mr. and Mrs. Miles Miller and Mary Lou were Sunday supper guests of the Gerald Dents.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Smith of Barryton were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Miller.

John Bowen, a grandson of Mrs. Elsie Kent, 21 years old, was killed in an auto wreck. Mr. and Mrs. Mack Denslow attended his funeral Monday at Grandville.

Mr. and Mrs. Ford Brayman of Iowa were Friday callers of his sister, Mrs. Margie Denslow. They were on their way to Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Tiani and family of Dearborn Heights spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sterling Oplinger. Mr. and Mrs. Earl Oplinger and boys were also dinner guests. The dinner celebrated two birthdays, those of Gary and Denny Tiani.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Oplinger were Thursday evening guests of Joe Bybosh and family.

FOREST HILL CHURCH OF GOD HALLOWE'EN PARTY

All the ghosts and goblins from the church gathered at Drew Hall for their annual Hallowe'en party Saturday evening. There were 70 in attendance.

The evening started at 7.30, with the judging of costumes. The judges had their hands full, trying to pick out the best, as all those who came masked had outstanding costumes.

There was an Indian with a papoose on her back, as well as dashing young men and beautiful young women; as well as the cripples and beggars. Even a robot was in attendance. There was such a variety, it is impossible to put it in this article.

After the judging, a bountiful chili supper with all the trimmings was enjoyed by all.

Following was a talent show. We never knew the adults had as much talent as they proved. The ghost-town rhythm band almost outdid the youngsters. We also had readings, songs, and skits. We had to award two

first prizes. These went to the Ivan Allens and the Weldon Browns for their skits. These two acts were just simply indescribable, and were hilarious.

Second prizes went to Nancy Adams and Steve Starks for singing. There was a tie for third place, with a skit by the Hulberts and the American version of the Beatles (long hair and all) which were Rich, Steve, and Judy Johnson and David Smith.

The party was under the direction of our Superintendent, who also acted as MC for the evening.

A vote of thanks to all for your co-operation in making this party the smashing hit that it was.

Thanks for the use of the hall
Thelma Johnson.

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RESCOES RECEIVE RELATIVES, FRIENDS, AT 25TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Many relatives of this area, and ten relatives attended Open House Sunday afternoon at the Weidman Methodist Church basement honoring the 25th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Rescoe.

At noon, five members of the Rescoe family and ten relatives enjoyed the Masonic smorgasbord dinner. After the dinner, guests were received from 2 to 5 p.m.

A silver Longine-Wittenauer watch was the gift for Mrs. Rescoe, and a beautiful silver and diamond studded cuff link and tie tack set for Mr. Rescoe, all from their children. Their chil-

dren also presented them with a reservation for dinner at The Embers Tuesday evening, the actual anniversary of their wedding.

Mrs. Rescoe also received a corsage of 25 dimes made by her grandnieces, on a beautiful piece of white satin.

The happy couple also received many other lovely gifts.

A beautiful three-tiered wedding cake was a feature of the refreshment table, the cake one of Daisy Embrey's works of art.

About 75 were present for the reception.

Those from out of town included Mr. and Mrs. James Fahnestock of Dearborn Heights, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Fahnestock and Bob of Detroit, Ray Fahnestock of Ferndale, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Fahnestock and son, Ken, of Detroit, Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Sprague of Plainwell, Miss Jane Ellis of Grosse Pointe, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Ainsworth of Dearborn Heights, Mr. and Mrs. James Strong, Jr., of Mt. Pleasant, Charles Gury of Dearborn Heights, and many friends from Deerfield and Weidman.

Mrs. Ainsworth was bridesmaid for Mrs. Rescoe when the couple were married at Dearborn Nov. 2, 1940.

Their many friends offer sincere congratulations.

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NEWS NOTE

Mrs. Leo Neubecker was a Sunday visitor of Mrs. Charles Schmidt.

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