

# The Weidman Messenger

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THE HUNTING'S GOOD.....



HERE'S WALTER J. SMITH with his big buck we reported last week. It's the biggest taken out of the Ojibwa Recreation Area since the founding of the Hunting Club there, we're told. Walt's ten-pointer weighed 149 pounds. Deer hunting in the Weidman area has been good this season. Graham Photo

THE FISHING'S GOOD.....



GEORGE'S WHOPPER PIKE--Here's George Skinner with his whopper 44-inch, 19-pound pike he landed on hook and line on the Weidman Mill Pond last week. George was alone in his boat, and worked over half an hour to get the big fish landed. Needless to say, George has been trying ever since to top this one HE GOT HIS BIG FISH last Friday, after getting a 13 and a 14 pound pike the same week. He had on a couple of small hooks and a fair-sized minnow as lure. To our knowledge, his 19-pounder is the largest pike yet taken out of the Weidman Pond. Spearing has long been prohibited on the Pond, and pike fishermen have to rely on strong lines and their own skill in landing their fish.

ICE FISHERMEN hope to get their fish-shanties on the Pond on the channels, where water is four to six feet deep, this winter, while cleaning-out developments take place around them. The Pond is being drained, and some fish kill is expected, but it is believed the channels, in the Coldwater River and Walker Creek, both crossing the Mill Pond, will protect enough fish so that the Weidman Pond will not materially suffer. Graham Photo

## GATEHOUSE HAULS CLAY FOR LAKE OF HILLS DAM

Leo Gatehouse's big machinery was hauling and bulldozing down clay on the prescribed large footing demanded on the Lake of the Hills dam this week.

The Gatehouse machines were doing a fast and thorough job beginning Monday, when they made huge strides in filling the demanded clay base for the dike north across the channel of Walker Creek from the dam.

It looked like they would have the project about completed this week, assuring early-spring filling of the lake with water.

## WALTER BOUCHERS BOTH RECOVERING AFTER FALLS

Friends of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Boucher will be interested to know they are both recovering after falls, Mrs. Boucher suffering a broken hip. She returned to her home in Yucaipa, Ariz., recently, and Walter fell, but suffered no broken bones.

They live on the desert, as he suffers from arthritis. Their address is:

34975 Avenue C. Yucaipa, Arizona. ---0---

Mr. and Mrs. George Skinner were Thanksgiving dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. B.H. Tranbarger.

## OPEN HOUSE FOR ELWOOD AND IOLA MILLER

Janice and George, daughter and son of Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Miller, are sponsoring an Open House honoring the 25th wedding anniversary of their parents next Sunday, Dec. 12.

The reception will be held in the Weidman School Cafeteria, beginning at 1 o'clock in the afternoon.

The Millers' very many friends

and relatives will be on hand to congratulate them on their anniversary.

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## ELMER ABENDROTH HURT IN AUTO ACCIDENT

Elmer Abendroth, owner of Central Michigan Drywall Co., is suffering a fractured lumbar vertebra incurred in an auto accident last Friday on his way home from deer hunting in the (Continued on Next Page)

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**HOLIDAYS COMING UP**--Each year the Messenger combines its Christmas and New Year's issues into one, and this year the holidays fall unhandily for us. This is notice to our faithful news writers that the Dec. 23 and Dec. 30 issues, for Christmas and New Year's, will be the combined issues. We want news for the Dec. 23 issue, but there will be no Messenger on Dec. 30. Usually the dates fall into December and January, but this year we're in December for both issues. Send your news for the Dec. 23 issue, but skip for Dec. 30. Write news for the Jan. 6, 1966, issue. We thank you. George and Connie.

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## Obituary

**JAMES E. SOPER**

James E. Soper, well known Barryton business man who with his wife owned and operated Soper's Department Store in Barryton, died last Thursday evening at his home after a long illness.

He was born in Kingston Jan. 8, 1891, and had lived in Barryton and owned the store since 1911. The Soper family originally had a store in Sherman City, over half a century ago.

Mr. Soper was a past member of the Board of Directors of the Barryton State Bank, and a member of the Chamber of Commerce. He had held various positions on the Village Council, and he was a life member of the James A. Cliff Masonic Lodge at Weidman.

Surviving are his wife, Ethel; and two grandsons and four great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Sunday, Dec. 5, at 1.30 p. m. at the Daggett Funeral Home in Barryton, with Andy McNees officiating. Interment was in the Flake Cemetery at Barryton.

The Sopers have very many friends in this area.

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Home Paper for Half the County

**ELMER ABENDROTH HURT**  
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Reed City area.

The accident occurred about three miles west of Evart, when an oncoming driver lost control of his car. Elmer's panel truck was damaged and he is wearing a body cast, recovering at his home here.

His son, Terry, is carrying on the work of Central Michigan Drywall meantime.

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## Obituary

**KENNETH DRALLETTE**

Kenneth Drallette died Tuesday morning in the club-house at the Mt. Pleasant Home and Training School, where he had been a meat-cutter the past 19 years.

Death was attributed to a heart attack. He failed to answer the work call, and companions in his department found him dead in his bed.

He had not been ill. Workmen at the dam site for Lake of the Hills in Weidman said he was there Monday afternoon, apparently in good health and good spirits.

Kenneth Drallette was born in Weidman Dec. 31, 1907, and was raised here. He was the son of Miles and Albertice Drallette. He attended the Weidman School, and for a time worked in the meat department of the Drallette Store, now Shook's Shopping Center.

Surviving are his daughter, Dee Ann Martin, of Pennsylvania; a brother, Wendell, of Clare; and three grandchildren. Also cousins, Hugh Hobart of Detroit, Glenn Scott of Mt. Pleasant, Genevieve Gingery of Flint, Marian (Frost) Brown and Lorraine (Frost) DeVries, of Grand Rapids; an aunt, Winnifred Baker, of Flint, and two nieces.

Funeral services will be held at 2 o'clock p. m. Friday, Dec. 10 in the Weidman Methodist Church, Rev. Williams Reynders officiating. Interment will be in Fairview Cemetery at Weidman.

Kenneth had many friends here. He was a member of the group forming and furthering development of Lake of the Hills at Weidman. He was a member of the James A. Cliff Masonic Lodge of Weidman.

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## North Weidman

Wanda Graham, Helen Alwood  
Reporters

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Miller attended a Lions Club dinner at the Highlander Room in the Alma College Tuesday evening, along with 10 other couples. After dinner they toured the Leonard Refinery there.

Lee Sowle was home Sunday from his job in Owosso, and call-

ed at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Meryl Graham.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Miller drove to Grand Rapids one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Davison of Farwell and Mr. and Mrs. Egbert Fordyce of near Wood's Store called on Mr. and Mrs. Meryl Graham and girls Sunday evening.

Callers at the Earl Blodgett home Sunday were their son, Jerry, and in the evening Bud and his son, Stanley.

Sunday afternoon Mr. and Mrs. Earl Blodgett called at the funeral home in Barryton to pay their respects to the family of James Soper.

Overnight guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Gott Saturday were Julie and Tina Gott of Altona. Their parents picked them up Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Garold Latham attended a birthday party at the home of her sister, Mrs. Joe Horgan, honoring their father, John Sheldon, on his 83rd birthday. Eight of his 10 children and their families were there to wish him a Happy Birthday.

Becky Graham spent the weekend with her cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Don Bush, of Blanchard.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Whittaker of Mt. Pleasant called at the Meryl Graham home Thursday evening, Sunday afternoon Dick and his son-in-law, Bud Pallin, of Saginaw, stopped in to see Meryl.

Meryl Graham was one of the honored guests at the Clare Manufacturing Company Awards Banquet at the Town and Country Dining Room in Clare Thursday evening. He had completed 10 years of service to the company. Eighteen were present at the dinner.

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

Mr. and Mrs. Roy S. Adams spent last Wednesday with their son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Dave Adams, of Traverse City. They enjoyed some Christmas shopping with them.

Mrs. Don Alwood and children and Rollie Battleshaw visited at the Dan Kripa home Sunday afternoon. Sandy Kemmis was a Sunday guest of Diane Kripa.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Jewel, Paula and Jim Abbott, Sadie Teeter, Mrs. Kenny Abbott and son, and Pat Huber of Mt. Pleasant spent Saturday evening at the Orval Abbott home, to help Beverly Abbott celebrate her 16th birthday. Mrs. Jewel made her cousin a nice cake.

Bob Embrey of Farwell had Sunday dinner with Roy S. Adams. He had been rabbit hunting, and had good luck.

Robert Abbott and Cathy Alwood entertained the measles a week ago.

Mrs. Norman Abbott had a nice birthday dinner for her husband Sunday, with all the family attending, including Mr. and Mrs. Earl Jewel.

**WEIDMAN POST OFFICE  
OPEN FOR XMAS MAILING**

The Weidman Post Office will be open till 4 o'clock Saturday afternoons of Dec. 11 and Dec. 18, to accommodate Christmas mailing, Postmaster Harry Herman announced this week.

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**OLDSTERS GET REDUCED  
FISHING LICENSES THIS YEAR**

Cost of fishing licenses for all those men 65 or over will be 50 cents for the coming year, Walt Smith announced this week from his bait shop a half mile west of Weidman.

Wives will still get in free, on the 50-cent licenses, Walt advised the Messenger. The licenses went on sale Dec. 1 and extend throughout 1966. New fishing licenses on the reduced rate are operative during December as well as next year, he said.

Regular price of resident fishing licenses is \$2.

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**N. Broomfield**

Maycie Cook, Reporter

**MRS. LUEDER ENTERTAINS  
THE BIRTHDAY CLUB**

Mrs. Paul Lueder entertained the Birthday Club at her home Saturday afternoon.

Cards were played, a lovely lunch served, and prizes were enjoyed.

Those attending were Mrs. E. Rhode, Maycie Cook, Helen Lueder, and Mrs. Myra Hummel of Shepherd. Later in the afternoon, Mrs. Morris Jean of Saginaw and Mrs. John Collins of Mt. Pleasant came.

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Mrs. Mary Cook was a Tuesday dinner guest of her sister, Mrs. E. Rhode. They called on Mrs. Maycie Cook in the afternoon. The next morning Mary was taken to CMC Hospital, suffering from pneumonia. She is better at this writing.

Mr. and Mrs. Miles Strong and daughter, Linda, of Elwell called on Mr. and Mrs. Robert Cook Sunday afternoon. Miss Elsie Richardson of Owosso was a weekend guest of the Cooks.

Mrs. Laura Fritz and Mrs. Anna Wilson of Mt. Pleasant spent Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. Maycie Cook.

Mrs. Nettie Crowley returned home Friday after spending a week with her daughters in Detroit. Maycie Cook enjoyed Sunday evening supper with her.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis Mead and son, Bobby, and Mr. and Mrs. Leon Schafer and Maycie Cook spent Sunday evening with Herman and Alliance Cook and Mrs. Glee Krueger and family.

Mrs. Orves Cook is working at the potato processing plant in Greenville. Wayne Cook, who has worked for the Richard Cooks for the past couple of years, has gone to Flint to work in a factory.

Roderick Nicholson was a

Thursday dinner guest of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hein of Remus. He also called on George Skinner in Weidman last week, to talk fishing after George had landed his big pike on the Weidman Pond.

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Mr. and Mrs. Richard Sprague called on Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Keller of Deerfield Center Sunday. They also called on Mr. and Mrs. Fred Straus.

Mrs. Emil Rhode and Lydia Lueder called on Mrs. Mary Hines and Mrs. Nora Steele at the Pleasant Manor Home in Mt. Pleasant, and also on Mrs. Mary Cook, at CMC Hospital, Monday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Kluge of Lakeview spent Sunday afternoon with Mrs. Eda Van Zandt.

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**S. W. Sherman**

Goldie Dutcher, Reporter

Mrs. Mary Beutler attended the United Fund dinner at University Center Thursday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Dutcher and Douglas attended the wedding of Terry Case and Joyce Scott of Lansing Saturday evening at Barryton, and the reception Sunday afternoon in Lansing.

Linda Hardenburg spent Friday night and Saturday with Mrs. Leward Smith of Blanchard. She spent Sunday afternoon with Fonda Methner. Patricia Hardenburg spent Saturday night with Mrs. Leward Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Remington and Troy of Saginaw spent Sunday afternoon and overnight with the Ervin Dutchers.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hines and Mr. and Mrs. George Woodin spent Sunday evening with the Ervin Dutchers.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Beutler and Mr. and Mrs. Carl Beutler were among the seven couples to enjoy the Farm Bureau Christmas dinner and party at the Holiday Inn at Mt. Pleasant Saturday evening.

Mrs. Lucile Merrihew went with Orval to the Lions Club dinner for the ladies at the Highlander Room at the Alma College last Tuesday evening. After dinner they all toured the Leonard Refinery plant, which they both enjoyed.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Holstead and son and a friend called on the Harry Hardenburgs and Emory Dell Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. George Woodin spent Thursday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Orval Wiggins and family at Farwell. They spent Saturday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher, Jr., and family.

Floyd Dutcher was a Saturday over night guest of his brother and family, the Clayton Dutchers. He called on the Ervin Dutchers Sunday. He left for Florida Monday morning, along with the Alva Cumminses, and expects to spend the winter there.

Mr. and Mrs. George Merrihew called on Safford Terry at the



**ENGAGED**—Mrs. Frank J. Schmidt, of 1346 West Denver Road, Weidman, announces the engagement of her daughter, Kathleen Irene, to Richard Carl Canel, son of Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell Canel of 322 East Seventh Street, Clare. The bride-elect, who is also the daughter of the late Frank J. Schmidt, will graduate from Central Michigan University in January. Her fiancé is employed at Saginaw Steering Gear in Saginaw. A June 18th weddig is being planned. (Fleming Photo)

Lakeview Hospital Wednesday afternoon.

Robert Dutcher and Glen Owen of Midland spent Sunday hunting in this area, and were dinner and supper guests of the Clayton Dutchers.

Mrs. George Woodin went to East Lansing with Sally Raub last Wednesday.

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**Local Items**

Mrs. Ted Smith and Jim and Mrs. Leah Scharrer spent Friday afternoon visiting Mrs. Wesly Cole at Barryton.

Mrs. Ruth Blesch and daughter, Jo, of Barryton, were Saturday evening dinner guests of Vada Carroll and Emma Middlesworth.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Fordyce of rural Mt. Pleasant were Sunday supper guests of her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Beutler.

Sherri Branson, small daughter

of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Branson, was still in CMC Hospital the first of the week, suffering from pneumonia. She was recovering the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. George Darnell and family of Stanton were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Embrey.

Mrs. Hermione Smith had Sunday dinner at the home of her son, Don, and family.

Mrs. Kit Johnson spent several days last week at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Tom Powell, and family, of rural Mt. Pleasant. While there she spent Wednesday afternoon with Beth Jackson at her home.

Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Hammond and family of Essexville spent the weekend with his mother, Mrs. Edna Hammond.

Mr. and Mrs. Levi Reed of St. Louis were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Leon Smith.



## Walker Creek News

Esther Stanley, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Ansler of Battle Creek spent the week of Thanksgiving with Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Emmons. Mr. and Mrs. Russell Waite and family of Greenville were guests in the afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Ansler were also guests this weekend.

Bonnie Emmons spent Tuesday and Wednesday with her parents. Aisher Dent and Mrs. Sherman were Saturday evening guests.

Mrs. Arthur Schrock was home for the weekend from her studies at Pine Crest Nursing College in Grand Rapids. She reports she has heard from her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Smith of Riverdale, that they arrived safely in Florida and are enjoying the sunshine, and flowers, which are beautiful now. Debbie and Susan Schrock were Sunday guests of their grandparents.

Mrs. Donald Zill was absent from work at the Training Home four days with influenza.

Robert Kropel of Dowagiac, who goes to barber college in Flint with Barry Thompson, spent the weekend with Barry's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Keith Thompson.

Mr. and Mrs. Willis Finney and Scott Dean of Lansing spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Denslow. Mrs. Mabel Cummings of Barryton was a Sunday dinner guest of her daughter and family.

Clifton Beutler, who works at the Buick Motor Co., spent the weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Beutler.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Lawrence of Horsehead Lake were Monday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Monroe. Rev. Eldridge took Mr. and Mrs. Monroe to Mt. Pleasant Wednesday, where Mrs. Monroe had a checkup with her doctor. They attended the Fellowship party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Guy Carr Thursday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence were callers Friday. Mr. Monroe reports he found a dandelion in full bloom in back of his yard Sunday. Does Florida have dandelions?

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

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Dosenberry and Paul and Keith were Saturday evening supper guests of her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Patterson, of Marion.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Lawrence of Horsehead Lake were Thursday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Lou Gray. Mr. and Mrs. James Struble of Alma were Thursday dinner guests. Mr. and Mrs. Larry DeVoss and Maria of Hart were Saturday evening guests. Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Ley and Richard and Stuart visited Sunday afternoon. Their grandson, Kenneth Gray, and

his hunting party from Lansing called Sunday.

Mrs. Lena St. John and brother, Clark (Red) Sowle, were at the Lakeview Clinic Wednesday. Mrs. St. John had reaction from penicillin and is allergic to the drug. Mrs. St. John, Mrs. Cora Estes and Mrs. Nina Forbes of Weidman were luncheon guests Thursday of Mrs. Jennie Krauser of Big Rapids.

Mr. and Mrs. Otis Conley were Friday night guests of Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Rodman of Crooked Lake. Mr. and Mrs. Leo Denslow and Denise and Mrs. Linda Finney and Scott were guests Sunday night.

Aisher Dent and Mrs. Sherman and Mr. and Mrs. Austin Dent were Monday evening guests of Mrs. Ethel McLean. Mrs. McLean went with Mr. and Mrs. Otto Skalitzy Wednesday night to visit Mrs. Mildred DeVary of Barryton. Thursday night, Mildred came and took her to the Skalitzkys', where they spent an enjoyable evening. Mrs. Arthur Loomis and granddaughter, Lori, visited her Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Loomis and family were Friday supper guests of his brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Keith Loomis, and daughters. Barbara spent the weekend with Teresa.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Stanley and family spent Sunday afternoon and evening with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Vinton, of Eight Point Lake, where they had an early Christmas party, with gift exchange. Other guests were Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Kent and Ronda of Mt. Pleasant, and Mr. and Mrs. James Vinton and Lisa of Farwell. Mr. and Mrs. Harold Hubbard and Allen and Sharon visited in the afternoon.

Chester Lynch took Russell Stanley to the Davis Clinic Wednesday, where he had treatment on his knee.

Mrs. Thomas Moore visited her parents Wednesday, and Mrs. Moore and Mrs. Stanley called on Mr. and Mrs. Walter Faber in the afternoon.

Saturday evening guests of the Stanleys were Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Cook of Canadian Lakes, Mrs. Eloise Berryhill of Weidman, and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Faber. Sunday dinner guests were Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Moore of Big Rapids, their son, Donald, of Saginaw, Mr. and Mrs. Adelbert Pung and daughters of St. Johns, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Pung and family of Beal City. Mrs. Moore and Sandra, daughter of the Adelbert Pungs, were celebrating their birthdays. Glad to report Mr. Moore is better and able to return to work.

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### NEWS NOTE

Mr. and Mrs. Roger Smith and baby of Flushing spent Sunday at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ted Smith. Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Smith and Mrs. Leah Scharrer were afternoon callers.

## Influenza Outbreak Likely This Winter, Brenner Says

An influenza outbreak appears likely this winter, Dr. E. J. Brenner, Central Michigan District Health Department, warned today. He urged residents to obtain flu shots as early as possible.

The flu warning is based on the two-to-three-year cycle of the disease. The last major outbreaks in most of the United States were in 1962-63, and on the West Coast in 1963-64.

"Flu vaccination is the most effective known protection," Dr. Brenner said. "The vaccination is easily done and takes little time. It is administered in two doses, about two months apart, but those vaccinated within the past two years will need only one shot."

Immunization is particularly recommended for senior citizens

expectant mothers, diabetics, patients in nursing homes, and people suffering from chronic heart, circulatory or respiratory ailments.

Dr. Brenner offered these basic precautions to help guard against the threat of flu: Wash hands frequently, avoid crowds, and be particularly careful if your job requires that you come in contact with large numbers of people — try to keep a safe distance from those who are coughing or sneezing.

"But the most important thing," he emphasized, "is to see your doctor about immunization before influenza strikes."

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### NEWS NOTE

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Sprague and Dick of Lansing were Sunday callers at the Richard Sprague home.



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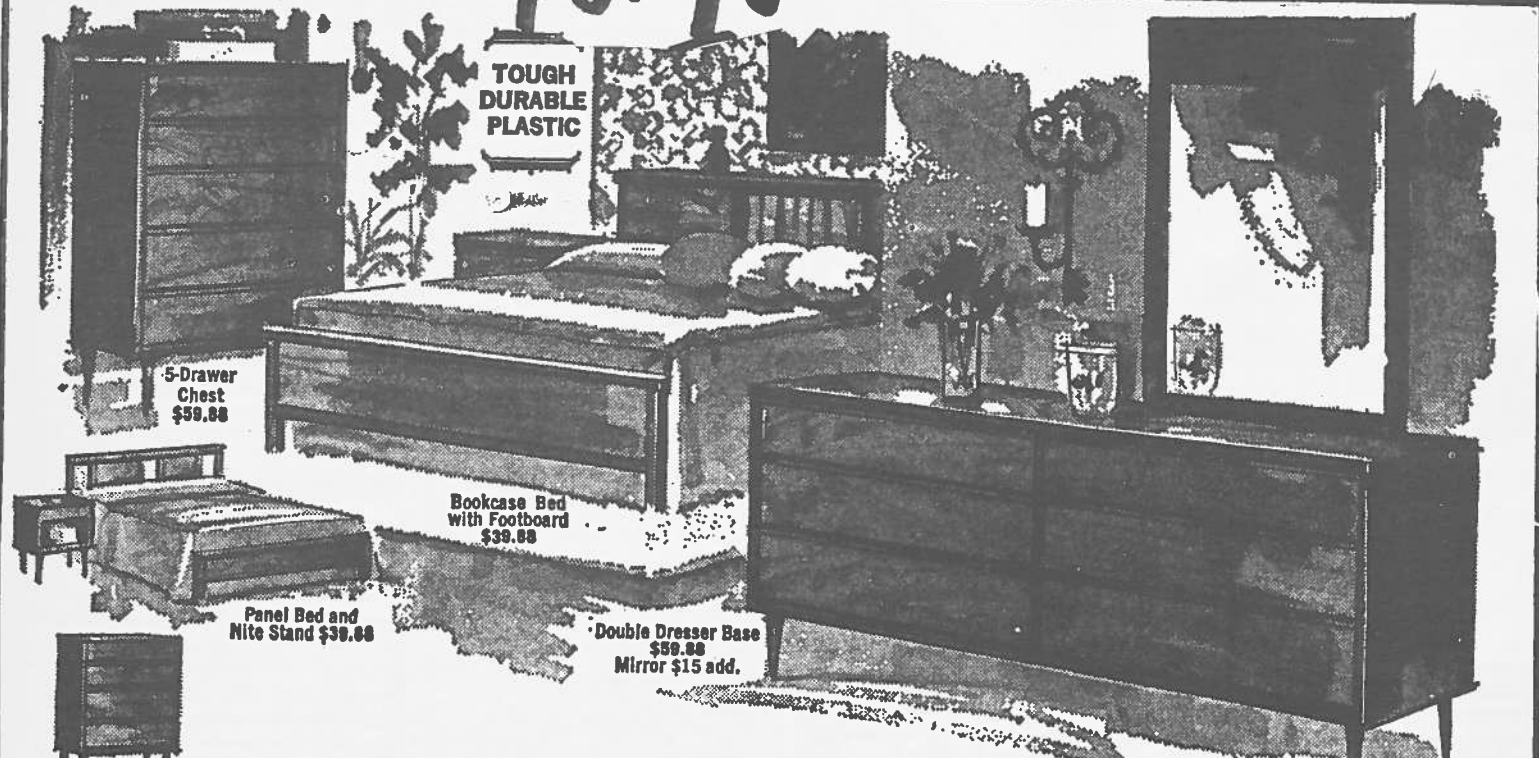
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**ENGAGED**—Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Bradley of 3255 E. River Rd. announce the engagement of their daughter, Marilyn Louise, to William T. Barz, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. William T. Barz, Sr., of Rt. 1, Mt Pleasant. No definite date has been set for the wedding. (Fleming Photo)

## West Gilmore

Lena Cole, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Ewing of Saginaw are spending several days at their cabin at Littlefield Lake. They hope to retire there some day. Mr. Ewing is on the police force in Saginaw.

Mrs. Walter Wood and Mrs. Hugh Douglas visited Mrs. Charlotte Hart Thursday.

Wm. Wixson remains about the same, at Samaritan Hospital in Bay City. The Paul Coles visited him Monday. Lewis Wixson and Mrs. David Wixson visited him Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin Boger were Monday evening callers of the Paul Coles. Mr. and Mrs. Norman Ewing spent Wednesday evening with them.

Stanley Shaner and Roxann Hart spent Wednesday and Thursday with their Grandmother Hart. Rev. and Mrs. Marvin Eldridge of the Weidman Baptist Church called on the Paul Coles Wednesday.

Clarence Shaner got his buck last Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Wood attended the 40th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Vanessa Cook, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ken Renner in Farwell.

Mrs. Iva Johnson is home from the hospital, after her long stay with a broken back.

Sunday visitors of the Paul Coles were Mrs. Cole's brothers, William and Chester Wixson. William got home from the hospital Friday evening for a few weeks' rest, then must go back for a check on a pinched blood vessel. The blood clot has been removed, but they may have to have surgery on the large vein.

The church will hold its Christmas program Dec. 19, at the Brinton Hall.

Rev. and Mrs. Newton Huffine and family were Monday evening dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Pitts and family. Rev. Huffine is a former pastor of the Gilmore Church of Christ.

Mr. and Mrs. George Skinner of Weidman were Friday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. James Pitts, for oyster supper. Mr. and Mrs.

George Pitts called while the Skinners were there.

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## Local Items

Wednesday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Bailey were Mildred Ruegsegger and Audrey Flaughter of Mt. Pleasant. Friday afternoon Hattie Machuta of Mt. Pleasant was a caller.

Mr. and Mrs. Stan Pridgeon of Barryton spent Saturday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Raub.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Wilson and daughter, Cathy, of Grand Rapids, were recent visitors at the home of Mrs. Wilson's father, B. H. Tranbager, and Frances.

Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Sprague called on Mrs. and Mrs. Al Williamson of rural Mt. Pleasant Sunday evening.

Mrs. Barney Gallagher's grandmother, Mrs. Louise Kamppinen, will be 105 years old Dec. 20, it was learned this week. Mrs. Kamppinen lives at Chatham, U. P. She was born Dec. 20, 1860.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Sutton of Ashley were Sunday dinner guests of Mrs. Sutton's brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Ron Sprague, and family.

Stuart and Bobby Gross of Wayne and Mr. and Mrs. Don Logren and family were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Gross and Ernest. Afternoon callers were Bessie Nutt and daughter and son-in-law and their son of Detroit and Lansing.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Kirvan of Grand Rapids were Sunday guests of Mrs. Emily Wood. Mr. and Mrs. Jack Kirvan of Midland and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Wood of Bay City also were visitors.

Sunday evening callers at the Walter J. Smith home were Vera and Ralph Tvorik and Harold Rhode.

Mr. and Mrs. Doug Middlesworth of Lansing and Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Charnes and K. C., Emma Middlesworth and Vada Carroll, and Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Middlesworth were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Donley.

Mrs. Emaline Woodin and Mrs. Clayton Raub were in Lansing Wednesday and Friday of last week.

Mrs. Edna Hammond spent last week with Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Theisen of Mt. Pleasant.

## the Churches

**WEIDMAN METHODIST CHURCH**  
Rev. Williams Reynders, Pastor

The Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Deerfield Center Methodist Church will meet Thursday, Dec. 9, at 8 p. m. in the home of Mrs. Leonard Ball.

Thursday evening in the Weidman Methodist Church, Rev. Reynders will conduct the Mission Study at 7 p. m., and there will be choir practice at 8 p. m.

Saturday, Dec. 11, the Esther Circle of the Weidman WSCS will have a bake sale in Sides Garage. In the evening the Young Couples' Club will have their Christmas party and White Elephant gift exchange in the church basement at 8 p. m.

The Official Board of the Deerfield Church will meet at the church Tuesday, Dec. 14, at 8 p. m.

The Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Weidman Church will have its Christmas party with a White Elephant gift exchange in the basement of the church Thursday, Dec. 16, at 8 p. m.

The Sunday School will have a Candlelight Service Saturday evening, Dec. 18, at 7.30 p. m. Everyone is welcome to this service in the Weidman Church.

The Deerfield Center Sunday School will have its Christmas Program Sunday, Dec. 19, at 7.30 p. m. The church and Sunday School rooms are beautifully decorated for the Christmas season.

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**WEIDMAN BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Rev. Marvin Eldridge, Pastor

A Christmas program will be presented Sunday evening, Dec. 19, at the Weidman Baptist Church, at 7.30 o'clock.

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## In the Editor's Mail

The Weidman Messenger  
Dear Friends:

Will you send me a copy of the Messenger with the account of the Hibberds' trip to California? They are close friends, as I have known them for a long time.

You may not remember me, but I am Irene Kennedy's mother, also a friend of Ethel Bywater and Ercel.

Thank you for sending me the paper. Sincerely,

Mrs. Mae V. White  
Farwell.

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Dear Connie:

Will you please send the Messenger to me at the address below for the next few months.

The Sunny South has been just that, with temperatures in the 80's every day since we arrived in mid-October.

Greetings to all my Weidman friends.

Sincerely,

Frances Going  
Oneco, Florida 33558  
Box 982

Weidman's Junior High basketball teams divided a double-header with Sacred Heart Academy last Wednesday evening, at Mt. Pleasant, the Weidman 8th Graders winning, 57-32, and the 7th Graders losing to Sacred Heart, 40-14.

Richard Berry is coach for the Junior High teams.

**Around Horr**  
Jessie Rosencrantz, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Thompson and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Thompson called on Safford Terry at the Kelsey Hospital Wednesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Thompson called on the Milford Denslow family Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Losey and Jessie Rosencrantz called on Mr. and Mrs. Alva Cummins Friday evening.

Rev. and Mrs. Edwin Heathcock of Barryton were Wednesday evening guests of Rev. and Mrs. Dean Denslow. Mrs. Denslow spent last Thursday in Lansing.

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Loubert were Sunday dinner guests of her grandmother, Mrs. Eva Denslow.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Denslow and children were Sunday supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Mack Denslow.

George Peacock of Davison was a weekend guest of his sister, Mrs. Margaret Denslow. Saturday afternoon they called on their aunt, Mrs. Russell Waring, at Mt. Pleasant.

Gerald and Harry Dent spent Friday night at Ray Kirvan's cabin near M-115, where Gerry got his deer.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Benn were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Benn.

Mrs. Betty Thompson attended a baby shower for Mrs. Shirley May Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Betty Thompson and Billy and Bobby and Mrs. Betty Martin and Brad and Jeff and Bryce Meyers attended a Cub Scout Pack meeting Thursday evening. Billy and Brad are Cub Scouts.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. Vance Wood and Mr. and Mrs. Benn Johnson attended a Farm Bureau supper at Holiday Inn in Mt. Pleasant Saturday evening. Seven couples were in attendance.

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Lawrence called on Safford Terry at the Lakeview Hospital Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Oplinger attended an NFO meeting in Mt. Pleasant Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Vance Wood and family and Dan Suman were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Wood.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Appelgreen and family were Sunday evening callers at the Vance Wood Home. Tom Appelgreen was a weekend guest.

Mrs. Irene Keck of Ashley was a weekend guest of her sister and family, the Joe Martins. Saturday Mrs. Keck and Mr. and Mrs. Martin and children called on the ladies' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Bahr, at Copemish.

Greg Martin attended the FFA Chicago Livestock Show at Chicago from Wednesday till Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Cummins and Mr. and Mrs. Tracy White were Sunday dinner guests of their par-

ents, Mr. and Mrs. Alva Cummins. Floyd Dutcher and Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Lawrence were afternoon callers.

Callers at the Gerry Dent home during the week were Mrs. Emily Wood, Wednesday afternoon. Sherri Johnson and Bobby Krueger were Friday overnight guests. Sunday guests were Mr. and Mrs. Marion Johnson, Whitey McCreight, the Harold Krueger family, the Lynn Johnson family, and Aisher Dent and Mrs. Sherman.

Gerry and Mabel Dent called on Ray Kirvan at his cabin near M-115 Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Miller were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Claude Covert of Barryton.

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EAST

**Coldwater**

Esther Skinner, Reporter

Dewey Olger visited his doctor in Remus Tuesday. Ed Olger was a Thursday afternoon caller of Dewey. Mr. and Mrs. Garold Latham of Lake called Saturday evening. Jim Latham called Sunday forenoon.

Esther Skinner and Dick, Alice and Brenda were callers in Blanchard Friday afternoon. Esther and Dick did some painting for George Hamilton while Alice and Brenda visited Jean and Greg Allen.

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

Ron Higgins of Farwell, Stewart and Steve Voss and Joyce and Dale Olger of Lake went to the Lake roller skating rink Sunday afternoon. They returned to the Dewey Olger home for supper.

Wallace, Ray and Dick Skinner spent the weekend with their Grandma Miller in Farwell. Mr. and Mrs. Harold Skinner and girls were Sunday dinner guests, and brought the boys home.

Thelma Jones spent a few hours Sunday at her farm home here.

Harold Skinner went to the doctor in Mt. Pleasant Monday morning for shots.

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WEST

**Nottawa**

Helen Alwood, Reporter

**THE WILL FABERS ENTERTAIN CLUB**

Mr. and Mrs. Will Faber entertained the Golden Rule Club Wednesday evening last week.

High prizes went to Harold Vogel and Minnie Schafer. Low prizes went to Larry Straus and Hilda Vogel. Pepper prize was won by Annie Simmer.

A delicious lunch was served by the hostess.

The next meeting will be at the Harold Vogel home.

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Roger Maeder and Jerry Smith were among the lucky hunters to get their deer Sunday.

Jane Neubecker returned home Saturday after spending nearly

two weeks at the Mt. Pleasant hospital, where she had an emergency operation for appendicitis.

Keith and Tim Rahl, who are still in the hospital after a car accident three weeks ago, hope to come home next week. Dan Rahl returned to his work at the Olds factory in Lansing Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Wernette of Remus visited at the Gary Wernette home Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Faber and Mrs. Pauline Schultz called at the Isadore Schafer home Sunday afternoon. Mrs. Schultz expects to leave soon to spend some time with her sister, Mrs. Clara Neubecker, of Ada.

Mrs. Rosina Neubecker is visiting her daughter, Luella Lawler.

and family of Leaton.

Frank Dorr of Coldwater Lake entered CMC Hospital Monday for tests and x-rays. He had not been feeling well since last Friday.

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**THE JERRY VOGELS ENTERTAIN THEIR CLUB**

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Vogel entertained their club Saturday evening. Pepper was played, and nice prizes won.

Gary Wernette and Katie Vogel won high scores, Steve Schafer and Darla Schmidt won low, Carol Wernette won pepper prize, and Steve Schafer won the door prize.

A delightful lunch was served by the hostess.

The next club will meet at the Gary Wernette home.

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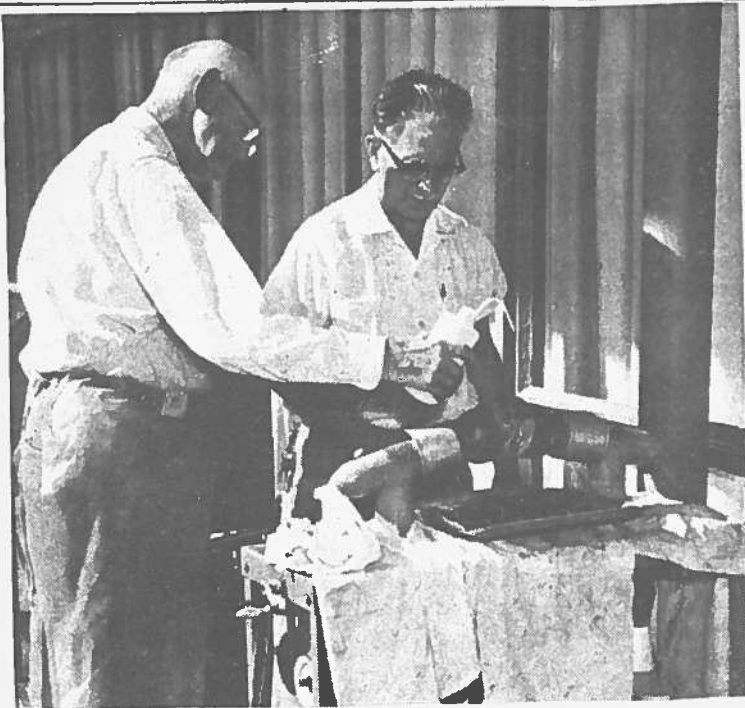
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FRANK THORP, above, at left, helps oversee grinding work on a piece of Rhyolite, at the China Lake, Calif., Community Center, during the annual show staged by the Indian Wells Valley Gem and Mineral Society.

FRANK HAS BECOME A VETERAN "ROCKHOUND," during his years of retirement and enjoyment in California. He has also become an expert gem cutter and grinder, and he goes with other members of his club on gem-finding expeditions to gather semi-precious stones for polishing and designing into beautiful jewelry, desk pieces, etc. The Messenger family prizes his gift three years ago of a piece of pale golden onyx. Frank sent us a copy of The Valley Independent newspaper with the accompanying photo.



MR. AND MRS. ALVA CUMMINS--At their recent Golden Wedding Open House reception at Drew Hall. Their many relatives and friends from far and near attended the event. Mr. and Mrs. Cummins are recovered from a serious auto accident last summer, and plan to spend the winter, as usual, in Florida.

## Beal City

Dora Smith, Reporter

Mrs. Wm. Pung spent the past week with her sister, Mrs. Abbie Grace, at the Golden Acres home in St. Louis. Mrs. Grace is very ill. Mr. and Mrs. Joe Keefer and Wm. Pung have visited her several times during the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bleise and Mr. and Mrs. Don Krueger are proud parents of baby boys born the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Schafer and family drove to Ontonagon for a weekend visit with her mother, Mrs. Ida Berg, returning home Monday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Milo Eldred of Blanchard spent Wednesday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Tony Schafer.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Fox of Pewamo had Monday dinner at the Joe Pung home. They also called on Wm. Pung, Mrs. Louise Smith, and at the Tony Schafer home.

The St. Ann's Sodality meeting Wednesday evening was well attended. All the ladies brought gifts for the Dominican Sisters, as it was a Christmas party for them. The Sisters are thankful to all the ladies.

Mrs. Clarence Wince of Mt. Pleasant called on Mrs. Tony Schafer Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ulrich of

Detroit spent the weekend in his mother's house.

Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Pung and family of St. Johns spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Joe Pung.

Mr. and Mrs. Roger Ward were host and hostess at a party honoring her brother, who is in the Navy.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Fox and Mr. Heckman of Ionia called on Louise Smith Monday afternoon, on their way home from up North.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Trowbridge of Greenville spent Sunday with Bob Blasen and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Tilmann spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Allen Tilmann and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Blasen and family of St. Johns had Sunday dinner and supper with Mr. and Mrs. Bob Blasen and family. They also called on Louise Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Ley and family of Conklin and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Ley, Jr., and family of Rosebush spent Sunday with their mother, Mrs. Leona Simmer.

### NEWS NOTES

Mrs. Edna Hammond planned to go to Pontiac for several weeks. Her brother Nelson Wiley, underwent major surgery at the hospital there Dec. 8. Mrs. Hammond plans to spend most of the winter in Pontiac.

## Local Items

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Adams attended a farewell party at the Barryton School Sunday honoring Rev. and Mrs. Andy McNees, who are transferring to a pastorate at Milton, Ky., leaving next week, Dec. 15.

Alton Allen returned home Sunday from the Alma Hospital, after surgery there. He is recover-

ing at his home at Lake Windoga.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Clark and family were Sunday evening guests of the Ivan Allena.

Mrs. Clyde Beutler spent Saturday in East Lansing with her daughter, Mrs. Robert Tibbetts, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Clare Bullis of Onaway spent the weekend at the home of their daughter, and family, the Rev. Henry Hulberts.

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