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Editor's Column

WE LOSE OUR FREEDOM AND CAN'T BELIEVE IT

Our recent editorial on the new school laws, whereby 18 men will determine where you will send your children to school, appeared to be a bombshell to most people. Many said, "I can't believe it!"

There will be no more school elections on matters of consolidation, annexation, or such, as we have known them. No single school district can vote independently unless the 18-man board says so. Otherwise, you will vote on a "proposed" school district which may take in one or more other districts, and the "proposed" district must vote as a whole, not district-by-district.

This is one of the most vital and closest-to-home freedoms we have been losing since 1932. We have been losing freedom steadily, a little piece at a time, so we haven't noticed it too much. But the school voting privilege--or right--hits very close to home.

An eastern reader comments as

"First, I want to express interest in the editorial in your Messenger of the 11th (February), about the school situation.

"New York State has long been conspicuous as having the most dictatorial and centralized education department in the Union, but it was inevitable that others

would follow the same road.
"You have to fight it as a matter of principle but the result is foreclosed.

"Leonard Read, executive head of the Foundation for Economic Education, has recently published an excellent book called 'Any thing That's Peaceful', in which he sets forth his views on the role of government as it should be. "In that book he brings out in a later chapter his view that even education should be left to the individual citizen, that government should have nothing to do with so private and personal a matter as the education of one's children. Pretty radical, what?

"The proposal is too far to the right to have any possible value as a practical matter, but it is of interest to theoreticians and those concerned with principles." We'll have more to say about the new school laws in the near future. Aside from the school situation, we have lost our right to the con-

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KIT JOHNSON AND HER SON'S SOLID CHERRY SPINNING WHEEL The messenger received the above photo of Mrs. Kit Johnson and a letter from her son's wife, Mrs. Howard Johnson, of Fremont, O. where Kit visited this winter. The letter says:

I am sending you a picture of Howard's mother and the solid cherry spinning wheel he just finished making. He started it last May, and finished it just before Christmas. It is authentic, and works.

Quite a bit of the cherry wood is over a hundred years old. It came out of the Keller & Son Funeral Home when they remodeled. I am writing you at Howard's request. He wants to know if you could put it in your paper.

The fireplace in the background Howard also built. Maybe you can notice the square dark stone in the background. Well, he got that up in Weidman, so he would have something from home in his fireplace. It's at the bottom, and in the middle.

Your friends Howard and Olive Johnson, 223 Cottage St., Fremont, Ohio

THE GEORGE SKINNERS VISIT THE GEORGE SKINNERS

Mr. and Mrs. George W. Skinner of Wyman were Sunday callers of Mr. and Mrs. George W. Skinner of Weidman.

The men with identical names are apparently no relation.

Last summer George Skinner of Weidman made a trip to Wyman to meet George Skinner, and so the Wyman Skinners repaid the call.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren DuPee of Grand Rapids were Saturday visitors of the Weidman Skinners.

Beal City Wins

Beal City's Aggies won the Class D title at Mt. Pleasant last Saturday night with a 52-39 win over Vestaburg.

The Beal City five will face the winner of the McBain-Hale region tions. al contest Thursday night at 8.30.

dogs won their first tournament game with Blanchard, 90-66.

Rosary at 7 p.m. Thursday, also at Mt. Pleasant.

DEER LEAVE WOODS TO FIND FEED

The Fred Rescoe family had a herd of deer around their place last week and the first of this, a group of 24 being sighted at one time.

The deer apparently were feed-ing from corn fields, and other cleared places, on the Rescoe farm and the Gatehouse farm adjoining.

The Rescoes have cedars planted on a hill, and they figured the deer probably bedded down there at night, as they were around all last week, and the first of this

The winter undoubtedly has been hard on deer herds, with deep snow in the woods.

BETTER THAN A LETTER

FLODDED AREAS SHOW UP AFTER BLIZZARD, THAW

Flooded spots in unusual areas showed up last weekend after the big blizzard, some rain, and thaw.

The Weidman Road just east of town, always a trouble spot in the spring breakup, was the worst the area had ever seen.

From the cemetery to the mile corner east the road was under water last week, with deep chuckholes presenting serious hazards to cars, hidden as they were under two to three feet of water.

Other flooding conditions were prevalent, in unusual places. Clayton Smith's basement was flooded, with extensive damage,

and his new gas furnace inundated, as well as his pump and other basement appliances. The road ditches did not accommodate the flood-waters, and the fields around the Smith and the Adams houses were flooded.

Motorists have been taking the road south of town, past the "school to M-20 and on into Mt. Pleasant, rather than risk the almost impassable road just east of town.

Roads in all areas hereabouts were more or less bad off this week in places.

Mrs. Elam Seymour reported a very bad floodage near her farm home in Gilmore. Other reports have come in from all directions on road damage or flood condi-

A casualty of the situation was At Big Rapids, the Barryton Bull- the little house-dog of Mr. and logs won their first tournament mrs. J. P. Bishop, who have Bishop's Shopping Center at Horr.

Barryton will meet Saginaw Holy

Thursday, also, but to follow Mr. Bishop to the

out to follow Mr. Bishop to the barn, and disappeared.

The Bishops searched till midnight (you'll do that, for a family pet), and Tuesday morning the small dog was found upright in a water hole beneath snow and ice, dead and frozen.

Apparently the dog had tried to jump across a small water-hole showing, and apparently the ice and snow gave way beneath her and she was unable to climb out. --0-

VISIT THEIR MOTHER IN FORD HOSPITAL

Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell McArthur spent last weekend in Detroit to visit his mother, Mrs. Leon Mc-Arthur, who was very ill in Ford Hospital. Col. Stuart McArthur returned from Berlin, Germany, and was staying at the home of his brother, Gerald, at Walled Lake. Mrs.Bernard Pitts (Yvonne) has spent the past week there, to be with her mother.

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CHINA CABINET, large, will exchange for smaller one. Mrs. Bert Estes, ph. 644-3637. Feb. 18tf

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Mar. 4t2p

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Mar11t4p

WEIDMAN PTA MEETS NEXT MONDAY NIGHT

The Weidman PTA will be held Monday evening, March 15, at 8 o'clock, in the school cafeteria.

nnouncements

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CENTRAL MICHIGAN SEPTIC TANK SERVICE Call Stan Phelps collect, Mt. Pleasant, after 4 p.m., 772-9154; or call Don Smith, Weidman, 644-2224.



BETHEL MISSION Sherman City Frwin W. Dickinson, Sr. Sunday School, 10 a.m. Preaching, 11 a.m. Evening Service, 7.30 p.m. Tuesday evening Service, 7.30. Everyone that thirsteth, come to the Bethel Mission, the Sher-

man City Community Church. *

WEIDMAN BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. Marvin Eldridge, Pastor

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

FOREST HILL CHURCH OF GOD Rev. Henry Hulbert Pastor

Sunday School, 10..a.m. Morning Worship, 11.00 a.m. Youth Service, 6.30 p.m.

Evening Service, 7.30 p.m. Prayer Meeting, Wednesday, 7.30 p.m.

Rev. and Mrs. Hulbert are taking Eva Denslow to Ann Arbor Thursday for tests. The Hulberts will stay overnight with her brother,

probably returning Saturday. They will wait for the tests to be com-

WEIDMAN METHODIST CHURCH

Rev. Williams P. Reynders Minister

Sunday School, 9.45 a.m. Morning Worship, 11.00 a.m. Methodist Youth Fellowship, 1s and 3rd Sundays, 6.45 p.m.
Methodist Men, 1st Wednesday of month, 6.30 p.m.

Women's Society of Christian Service, 1st and 3rd Thursdays, 2.30 p.m.

There will be a reception and miscellaneous shower for Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Miller in the basement of the Weidman Methodist Church Saturday, March 13, at 8 p.m.

Lenten Series of Sermons:" Magic With the Master":

March 14, The Night Visitor. March 21, A Man Up a Tree. March 28, Sharing: "One Great Hour of Sharing."

April 4: His Passion in the Garden.

April 11: His Triumphal Entry (Palm Sunday).

April 18: His Resurrection (Easter).

Pre-Easter Events at the Weidman Methodist Church:

Monday, March 15: Work bee at

the church, 6.30 p.m.
Thursday, March 18: WSCS Lenten Breakfast, 9.30 a.m. Several Methodist churches in the area have been invited.

Saturday, April 3: All State the weekend wit Men's Meeting at Lansing.

Monday, April 5: Fourth Quartermer Abendroth.

ly Conference and Annual Report

meeting.
Sunday, April 11: Baptism and
Reception of Members.

Thursday, April 15: Maundy Thursday Communion Service, 8 o'clock p. m.

Friday, April 16: Union Good Friday Service, time to be announced later.

Sunday, April 18: Easter Sunrise Service and Breakfast at Deerfield. 6.30 a.m.

The Weidman congregation is quite interested in the Lenten program of the First Methodist Church in Mt. Pleasant, with some planning to attend some services.

Among those likely, when the Weidman Church has no program, are the following dates:

March 14: Worship service 5.00 p.m. Rev. Donald R. Strobe, Senior Minister, First Methodist Church, Grand Rapids; Children's

Choirs of First Methodist.

March 21: "Cannibal Pot-Purri"
by the Rev. and Mrs. Lynn De-Moss, Coleman Methodist Church. March 28: Bach Cantata.

April 4: "The Way of the Cross" by Henri Gheon with the CMU Wesley Players.

On the above dates, the Weidman Methodist Church has no service scheduled. It is being considered taking groups, including the MYF, to the Mt. Pleasant church for these services.

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NEWS NOTE

James Buerge of Howell spent the weekend with his brother-inlaw and sister, Mr. and Mrs. El-

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AMBULANCE SERVICE

Horr Around

Jessie Rosencrantz, Reporter

Mrs. Betty Thompson and boys and Mrs. Betty Martin and boys and Mike and Dennis Merrihew at-tended Cub Scout Pack meeting at Remus Thursday evening. Billy Thompson and Brad Martin received their Wolf Badges. The Merrihew boys spent the night with the Thompson boys.

Some people have nice neighbors. The Rosencrantzes want to thank Roy Reed for a nice mess

of fish.

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

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Martin spent a week ago Sunday with the Leo Bahr and Merlin Bahr families in Muskegon.

Mrs. Alma Byron, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Carroll and family, Mr. and Mrs. Joe McGuirk and the Bullard children helped Joe Martin celebrate his birthday Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Rollie Merrihew and children were Saturday supper guests of the Martin family.

Joe Martin was a Saginaw business caller last Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Howard and two children were Sunday evening callers of the Earl Oplingers.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Oplinger attended the NFO card party at the Deerfield Hall Saturday evening.
Mr. and Mrs. Richard Wood and

family were Sunday dinner guests of his parents, the Howard Woods. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Denslow and

family and Mrs. Joyce Sheets spent Sunday with their folks, the Mack Denslows.

Missionary Society met with Mrs Hulbert last Thursday. The ladies tied a quilt. Mrs. Ellen Thompson and Mrs. Opal Denslow were cohostesses.

Mrs. Paul Miller says Hello to Nelson Wiley and Mrs. Edna Hammond down in sunny Florida and hopes Nelson is feeling better

The two Krueger boys and the Johnson girl spent Tuesday evening with Grandpa and Grandma Dent.

Mrs. Mabel Dent and Harry spent Friday evening with Geraline Johnson and family.

Harry Dent had Sunday dinner with his grandmother and Leo Wood.

Gerry Dent has been going to the doctor several times a week with his hand, which is beginning to heal.

Raymond Kirvan of Big Rapids was a Sunday caller of the Gerald Dents.

Mr. and Mrs. Jay Denslow attended the basketball tournament at Big Rapids Saturday. Barryton played in the tournament. That was the first time they had been able to go since Jay's illness.

Mrs. Myrl Michaels and children were Sunday guests of the Vance Wood family.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Benn and Mr.

and Mrs. Wilbur Benn were Sunday Mrs. Levi Longton, visited Mrs. dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Minnie Sisco in the Clare General Thompson. Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Denslow were afternoon callers.

Mrs.Betty Thompson visited Mrs.was still very weak.

Virginia Reed at the Clare Hospi- Robert Mills of Southfield was a tal Thursday p.m.

SOUTHWEST GILMORE

VERNA SEYMOUR, Reporter

Mrs. Agnes Tuller called on Verna Seymour Tuesday morning and told her that Margaret Ver Weibe was in a hospital in Detroit. We hope she will soon be home.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Ritter of Coldwater Lake called on Mr. and Mrs. Norman Buchel and family

Tuesday evening.

Harley Beck of Farwell was a Sunday dinner guest of his sister and family, the Don Seymours. Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Beck of Brinton called in the afternoon

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Harring of Vernon called at the Norman Buchel home Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Morgenstern and children of Mt. Pleasant called on the Norman Buchel family Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Wood were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Shaner and family

Elam Seymour went to Midland Monday to his doctor. He is coming along fine, and doesn't have to go back till July.

Darlene has the cast off her arm

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N.Broomtield Maycie Cook, Reporter

Mrs. Lorraine Schultz of Flint spent Saturday with her mother, Mrs. E.R. Rhode. Her son, Jon, also of Flint, called Monday on Mrs. Rhode and Harold.

Mrs. Will Cook, with her brother, Roderick Nicholson, spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Adam Handy of Evart, and Mrs. Frances Handy.

Mr. and Mrs. Miles Strong and family of Elwell called on Mr. and Mrs. Emil Lueder Sunday.

Mrs. E. Rhode and Harold spent Saturday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Emil Lueder.

Will Nicholson, who has been at the Edmore Hospital since last Tuesday, is a little improved. Mr. and Mrs. Richard Lueder,

Mrs. Eda Vanz Zandt, Paul Lueder and Mrs. Theodore Rhode attended the funeral of their cousin, Arthur Jonsmiller, of Detroit, last Tuesday.

COP.A ESTES, Reporter

Mrs. Viola Jurek and Mrs. Mary Nolan and son of Saginaw were from Thursday to Saturday visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Maddox.

Mrs. Frances Beck and mother,

Hospital Saturday. Mrs. Sisco had surgery the first of the week, and

weekend visitor at the home of Mrs. Flossie Scott. His son, Dan, lives with the Scott family and attends school in Barryton.

Mrs. Gerald Roberts has returned home after several days in Com-

munity Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. George Hines of Crystal and Herbert and Frances Lawrence of Horsehead Lake were Tuesday callers at the Bert Estes home.

Mrs. Walter Tower has been caring for her granddaughter, Michelle White, of Clare, the past week.

munity Hospital several days with He had spent a week here, due pneumonia. She was brought home home Tuesday, feeling better.
The Charles Doerr family of Me-

costa were Sunday visitors at the Bessie Forbes home. Mr. and Mrs. Albert Lee and girls of Sears were Saturday callers.

Mrs. Rachel Van Conant of Grand Rapids visited her brother, Alfred Bartley, Sunday.

BETTER THAN A LETTER

ENTERTAINS WITH SHOWER FOR THE CLAYTON MILLERS

Mrs. Henry Hulbert was hostess at a miscellaneous shower Monday evening, honoring Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Miller (Muriel Leiter): Mrs. Yvonne Halfman was Mrs. Hulbert's co-hostess.

More than 35 guests were present, and they included friends, neighbors, and relatives of the newly-married pair.

Mr. and Mrs. Miller received many beautiful gifts. Refreshments were served, and all had a happy evening.

Local Items

Mrs. Ted Smith took her brother, Robert Scharrer, to Grand Mrs. Beverly DeGear was in Com Rapids Monday on his way home. to the illness of their mother, Mrs. Leah Scharrer. Mrs. Scharrer was still quite ill, at the Smith home, the first of the week.

Mrs. A loise Berryhill was recovering from flu the first of the week.

Hubert Bunker of Carson City and Stephen Fike of Lansing were. Sunday visitors of their daughter and aunt, Mrs. Charles Halfman, and family.

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6 p.m. Saturday, 8 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Walker Creek News

Mrs. Esther Stanley, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Maxel Gray of Midland visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs Lou Gray, Saturday, and all attended the basketball game at Big Rapids Saturday night, Barryton vs. Blanchard. Barryton won, 90-66, and received the District Trophy.

Others from this community attending the event included Mr. and Mrs. Harry Dosenberry and sons, Keith and Paul; Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Lowery and family, Mr. and family, Saturday evening. and Mrs. Keith Thompson and sons, Mrs. Leiter and Valerie spent Fri-Mrs. Evelyn Denslow, and Paulette and Denise, and Mr. and Mrs. Donald Stanley and son, Ronald, and his friend, Avie West.

Everyone is proud of Barryton's basketball team this year. Their outstanding performance has brought many enthusiasts from dis tant places to see them play, as well as the loyal supporters from our community who have attended every game. They will play the Saginaw Holy Rosary team Thursday night at the Field House at CMU, Mt. Pleasant. Go! Bar-

Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Schrock were her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Smith of Riverdale, who recently returned from Florida; Mr. and Mrs. Virl Wright of Greenville, and Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Schrock and family. The Schrocks enjoyed a pizza dinner in town on the 31st, celebrating their wedding anniversary. Mrs. Schrock will leave her duties at Mt. Pleasant Community Hospital this week and go to Plainrest Christian School of Nursing, Grand Rapids, on the 29th, where she will enroll for one year of training.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Corwin of Lennon spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Denslow. They attended the basketball game at Big Rapids in the evening Saturday, and called on her sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Micky Dargitz, in the evening. Mr. and Mrs. Corwin took her parents out to dinner Sunday at Remus, in honor of Ollie's birthday, which will be the 21st. Happy Birthday, Ollie! Mr. and Mrs. Keith Thompson

enjoyed ice cream and cake with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hazen Thompson, Tuesday evening, in honor of their 19th wedding an-

niversary.
Mr.and Mrs.Clayton Beutler and daughter, Mary, spent Sunday at the home of his brother, Mr. and Mrs. Fay Beutler, and family, of Holland.

Mrs. Lena St. John took her brother, Clark (Red) to Lakeview to the clinic Thursday.

Mrs. Herbert Lawrence of Horsehead Lake was a Monday p.m. guest of Mr. and Mrs. Keith Loo-

mis and daughters. Mr. and Mrs. Loomis visited her brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. Vernie Gross, of Rosebush Monday evening. They visited Mr. and Mrs. Richard Theisen and family of Mt. Pleasant Sunday evening. Teresa was an overnight guest of her cousins, the Warren Leiter children, Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Rodman of Lake were Saturday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Otis Conley. Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Hogan of Grand Blanc were Sunday guests of her brother and sister-in-law, the Conleys.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Leiter and family visited her brother, Keith day at the home of her sister, Mrs. Myrtle Wachoviak, and family of Mt. Pleasant.

Mrs. Pearl Loomis called on her brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Lou Gray, Monday, and attended Mr. Bywater's funeral with them.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Zill spent the weekend at Flint, visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Rolland Zill, and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Virl Wright of Greenville were Saturday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Schrock, and they drove to Clare, where they enjoyed a game of bowling.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Stanley called on Mrs. Otto Skalitzky Thursday p.m. Mr. Skalitzky was in Big Rapids on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas G. Moore of Big Rapids were weekend guests at their parental home and the Stanleys accompanied them Saturday evening to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Faber, where they enjoyed playing double pep-

Sunday dinner guests were the Moores and also Mr. and Mrs. Donald Pung and family of Beal City. Afternonn guests were Mr.and Mrs.Donald Stanley and family and Lewis Bowen, our Township Supervisor

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Stanley accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Duane Gray and Mr. and Mrs. Andy Stanley of Barryton to Mt. Pleasant Saturday evening, where they watched two good basketball games, Beal City vs. Vestaburg and Mt. Pleasant Sacred Heart vs.

Avie West, a school mate of Ronnie, spent Thursday and Friday with him and attended the games with the folks.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Stanley and family visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Vinton, of

Eight Point Lake Sunday evening. Mrs. Ruby Stanley tells us her nephew, Roger, son of Mr. and Mrs. Larry Fussman, was chosen Little Prince at the Hair Fashion Show Tuesday, March 9, at the Pullen School gym in Mt. Pleas-

BETTER THAN A LETTER

NEWS NOTES

Mrs. Wavne Charnes and Mrs. Gerald Middlesworth attended a shower honoring Kay Gingrich at the home of Mrs. Jack Houghton Sunday afternoon. About 24 ladies attended. Miss Gingrich received lovely gifts.

Mrs. Lorena Moses called on her sister, Lydia Snider, last Thursday evening. Sunday callers were Mrs. Snider's daughter, Mrs.Ocie Keiser, and family of Mt. Pleasant, and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Sprague.



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S.W. Sherman

Goldie Dutcher, Reporter

Larry Dutcher was in Flint Tuesday of last week for an interview at the Buick plant. They called him Thursday, telling him he had the job if he wanted it. So he will start work as a draftsman this Thursday. Larry graduated from Ferris State College Tuesday as a mechanical draftsman, after a two-year course.

He spent the weekend with his parents, the Clayton Dutchers. He called on Mr. and Mrs. Dale Dutcher of Mt. Morris, and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dutcher and family of Midland Tuesday afternoon and even-

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

Mr. and Mrs. James Beutler and family of Rosebush were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Beutler and children.

This neighborhood was out of lights for nearly four hours last Thursday, starting at 11.30, catching some of us washing and others cooking dinner. But it was nice to have everything working again before nighttime.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dutcher and Rex and Dawn of Midland spent from Friday night till Sunday afternoon with his folks, the Clayton Dutchers. Mr. and Mrs. Richard Dutcher and Douglas and Mrs. Nora Secord and son, George, were Sunday dinner guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Gary Dutcher and children spent the weekend with her folks, the George Loomis fam-ily of New Era. They called on

his folks during the week.
Lucille Merrihew and Marion Beutler attended the Women's Society meeting at the Weidman Church Thursday evening.

Orville Merrihew attended the Lions Club dinner Wednesday eve-

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Lawrence called on Mr. and Mrs. George Merrihew Friday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hines spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Jack Gaudard and family in Midland. They also attended the Remus basketball game Saturday evening at Morley-Stanwood.

Mr. and Mrs. George Woodin called on her brothers Saturday afternoon, and stopped and brought Mrs. Ralph Curtis home with them for supper. They all attended the card party at the IOOF Hall in the evening.

Brian Dutcher and Dennis Howard were recent callers at the Clarence Chaffee home.

Jim Dutcher returned to school Monday after having the flu all last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Rolland Merrihew and family were Saturday evening supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Martin and sons.

Dennis and Michael Merrihew

spent Thursday night after the Scout meeting with Bob and Bill Thompson.

Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher, Jr., and Mrs Hattie Losey and Marilyn and Gary were Thursday callers of the Clayton Dutchers.

Mr. and Mrs. George Woodin

called on the Ervin Dutchers, Sr. Wednesday evening.

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North Weidman

Wanda Graham, Reporter

NEIGHBOR HOOD LUNCHEON

attend.

Helen Alwood was hostess to a luncheon for the neighborhood ladies last Friday.

Guests included Joyce McClain, Elvah Gott, Eileen Abbott, Birdie Abbott, Wanda Graham, Joan Burden, Muriel Miller, and Jeanne Smith. Carol and Vada Abbott and Wilma Waters were unable to

The ladies presented Mrs. Miller with a lovely gold-color throw rug, as a wedding gift. ****

The three younger McClain children are getting their teeth repaired this week. Good luck,

Helen Alwood and Donnie and Jim called on her brother and family, the Don Smiths, to see their new baby girl, Alice Marie Helen also called on Mrs. Leah Scharrer.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Burden and family and Lawrence Burden of Grand Rapids called on Mr. and Mrs. Jack Burden and family Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Gott and family of Farwell were Saturday visitors of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Gott.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Shimmel of Clare and Arlene King were visitors at the M. Graham home Monday, March 1, in the evening, and Mr. and Mrs. Shimmel were visitors again on Sunday, March 7

Jim Abbott started work on a farm for Ed Zeneberg Monday, near Mt. Pleasant.

Becky and Debbie Graham stayed Sunday with their grandparents Mr. and Mrs. John Gott, and Albert Gott called in the evening.

Arlene King and Mary visited the M. Grahams' Saturday afternoon.

Laura Latham has been in the hospital at Clare this past week, for tests and x-rays, and possible

Paula Abbott is baby-sitting near Shepherd.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Allen of rarwell and Mr. and Mrs. John Gott and Donnie Alwood helped Debbie Graham celebrate her sixth birthday last Monday evening.

Mrs. Wanda Graham took Arlene King, Mrs. John Gott, Ilene Abbott and Carolyn to Mt. Pleasant Monday. They met Mrs. Marvin Allen of Farwell and had lunch together.

VFW AUXILIARY 3033 ONE OF TOP 10 IN MT. PLEASANT CONTEST

The VFW Ladies' Auxiliary No. 3033 of Mt. Pleasant, with Esther Skinner as president, has been taking a number of top prizes in the current contests sponsored by merchants of Mt. Pleasant.

Soft-drinks bottle caps are saved and turned in, for 5, 10 and 15 points, with 6-pack cartons rating 500 points. Each week is a different soft drink brand. Anyone can enter the contest, designating a choice, as for the Auxiliary, as receiver of the credit.

There are seven more weeks to go on the contest. Sales slips must be turned in every week,

along with cartons, bread wrappers, etc.

The money won helps the Auxiliary to help needy Veterans' families. The organization assisted two families at Christmastime, gave a Hospital Party for Veterans at Saginaw Hospital, and so on.

For more details contact the president, Mrs. Esther Skinner, phone Weidman, 644-3691. ---0---

PUPILS GIVE

PARTIES FOR TEACHERS

Mrs. Margaret Gingrich's fourthgrade pupils staged a birthday party for her last Thursday, in the class' room.

On Friday, the pupils of Mrs. Jean Houghton's fifth grade gave a birthday party for her.

BETTER THAN A LETTER

Ready for Winter Driving

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Local Items

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Sides were Sunday supper guests of her sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Baublitz, of Remus.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Smith and Richard of Rosebush were Sunday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. W.A. Appelgreen. Mr. and Mrs. Carl Martin of Gilmore were last Thursday evening visitors.

Mr. and Mrs.R.D. Sprague visited Mr. and Mrs. George Looman in Cedar Springs Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Alton Allen returned last Thursday from about a month's vacation in California.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Skalitzky of Coldwater Township were Friday callers of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Wood. Mr. and Mrs. Roy Wood and Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Whitney of Bay City were Sunday evening supper guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Allen left last Thursday for Florida for a couple of weeks' vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Louiselle attended a Shrove pancake supper at St. John's Episcopal Church in Mt. Pleasant Tuesday evening.

Myra Berryhill of Mt. Pleasant and Mrs. Howard Bywater drove Howard to Grand Rapids to start a new job in the lab in Sunshine Hospital there.

Mrs. Howard Bywater spent three days in Lansing last week with her mother, Mrs. Neva Gray.

Mr. and Mrs. Jay Darnell of rural Mt. Pleasant were Sunday callers of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Embrey.

Mr. and Mrs. Alton Allen attended Open House for the Phlum house in Big Rapids Sunday. The new home is extirely electrically equipped, including its heating. ---0--

DR. RONDOT HAS A BIRTHDAY APRIL 7

We understand that Dr. E.F.Rondot, beloved doctor of Sherman City and much of this area in the real old days, will be 93 on April 7 this spring.

His countless friends, including hundreds of "babies" he brought into the world (now middle-aged men and women) will be wanting to send him a letter or card.

The only address he gave on the letter the Messenger printed Jan.
15 was Villa Maria, Windsor, Ont.
We have a hunch that will get

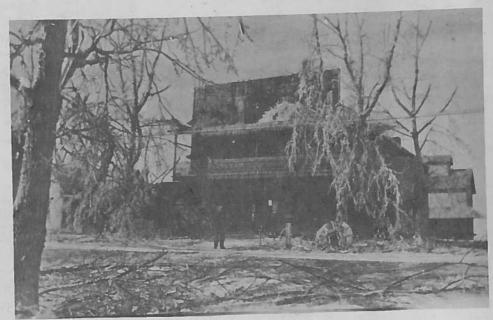
to him, anyhow. And we're certain that the old doctor, who served so faithfully, will be pleased to hear from his

"own folks".

He is legend, but it's the truth he used to drive his sleigh and horse as far through snowdrifts as he could, then break out his snowshoes and finish the trip on foot. Talk about house calls!

AT LEAST WE DIDN'T HAVE THIS! -- The photos below are from an old file of the Messenger, unidentified. Can you name the town and year of the terrific ice storm?





GEORGE THOUGHT THIS WAS WEIDMAN--Connie thought it was one of the Brinton pictures. We only had the negatives to gaze at, so we couldn't be certain. It's one of those You Name It deals.

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Dora Smith, Reporter

Gerald Pung and family called on Louise Smith Sunday after-

Mr. and Mrs. Trowbridge of Belding spent the weekend with the Ed Blasens.

Theresa Smith and some friends helped Della Mathews celebrate her birthday Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Rau called on the Dick Funnels in Mt. Pleas-

ant Sunday afternoon.
Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ley of St. Johns, Mrs. Frank Haupt, Mrs. Louise Schafer, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Blasen and Mary Ulrich called on Mrs. Leona Simmer Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Block, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Marchiano and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Horan had a birthday surprise for Mrs. Geraldine Hor-

an Tuesday evening.
Mrs. Herb Yuncker, Mrs. Henry Simmer and Ed Ley of Mt. Pleas-ant called on Leona Simmer Sat-

Ollie Schumacher was in the Mt Pleasant hospital at this writing.

Mrs. Ida Berg of Rosebush spent the weekend with her daughter, Mrs. Jerry Schafer, and family.

William Smith was in Community Hospital as this was written. *

CELEBRATES 80TH **BIR THDAY**

All the children of Anthony Scha fer came home Sunday, to help him celebrate his 80th birthday.

Present were Mr. and Mrs. Bob Schafer, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Scha-fer, and Mr. and Mrs. Edward Scha-fer of Beal City; Mr. and Mrs. Walter Schafer and Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Klumpp of Mt. Pleasant; and Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Schafer of Winn.

All reported a nice time.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Gross entertained their club Monday evening. First prize was won by Bethel Schafer and Norman Gross; second by Ruth Simmer and Bob Schafer; and the loner was Bob Pung.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Yuncker, Jr., left Friday for Florida for two weeks' vacation

Leona Simmer returned home from the hospital Thursday

Lavern Schafer returned home from the hospital Wednesday, feeling better.

Mrs. Agnes South of near Midland spent Tuesday with her mother, Mrs. Helen Bleise.

Mrs. Luella Smith and Mrs. Dorothea Munn flew to Arizona Sunday for a two weeks' vacation.
All her children surprised Mrs.

John Reihl Feb. 26 by a fish supper at the Town and Country Tavern. They baked a lovely birth-day cake. Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Smith celebrated their wedding anniversary.

BETTER THAN A LETTER

MARRIED IN

ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH

Margie Fountain of Remus and Howard Skalitzky were united in marriage Saturday in St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Beal City.

with 33 attending. A reception was held at the Whaler Club in

Mt.Pleasant Saturday evening.
The happy couple will live in Mt. Pleasant, where he is employed. Howard is the son of Otto Skalitzky of Coldwater Township. ---0---

West Gilmore

Lena Cole, Reporter

Mrs. Charlotte Hart and son-inlaw and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Curtiss, of Shepherd, visited Mrs. Hart's sister, Mrs. Ed Wiseman, and Mr. Wiseman, on Tuesday. Wednesday they went on to Pontiac to visit other relatives, returning home Thursday. Mr.and Mrs.Wm.Cummings

are opening the Big M gas station at Weidman March 15.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin Boger visited Mrs. Boger's mother, Mrs. Joe Geasler, of rural Mt. Pleasant, Monday. Mrs. Geasler was feel-ing much better.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Herman and son, Tommy, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Turnbull and sons, Bobby and Timmy, of Weidman, and Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Estes of North Brinton were supper guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Martin Boger, Monday evening. Honored guest was their daughter, Virginia, who had a birthday.

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

Mrs.Ralph Turnbull and sons visited her parents, the Martin

Bogers, Tuesday. Mrs. Pearl Geasler and son, Nor-man, and grandson, Daryel Worth

were in Mt.Pleasant Saturday. Miss Amy Warner spent Saturday evening with Miss Roberta Worth.

Mr. and Mrs. Ellsworth Emmons and Louis Bowen called at the Albert Geasler home Saturday.

Mrs. Ruby Douglas called on the Paul Coles Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Cole and Velma were dinner guests Wednesday of the Lester Swans in Mt. Pleasant. They spent Wednesday till Friday morning with Mrs. Cole's brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Wardwell, who have been quite ill. Fred came home from CMC Hospital Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Bierschbach and daughter visited her grandmother, Mrs. Charlotte Hart, Saturday. Kay and Roxann Hart and Stanley and Charlene Shaner stayed Saturday night with Grandmother Hart.

ner spent Saturday night at the home of their uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Curtiss, of Shepherd.

Mrs. Charlotte Hart and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Wood were Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Larry Egbert and Mr. dinner guests of their son-in-law and Mrs. Lee Monroe were their at- and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Clartendants.

A wedding breakfast was served, honor of Walter Wood, who had a birthday.

The Clarence Shaners are driving a new car.

Mr. and Mrs. Gaylord Hart have

a new television set.
Merry-Go-Round Club meeting at Brinton Hall Thursday, weather permitting.

The Coles are driving a new car. ---0---

East Coldwater

Esther Skinner, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Skinner and children were Sunday evening callers of her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Routheaux, and Randy, and also her mother, Mrs. Lanie Miller, who has been spending some time with the Routheaux family at St. Louis.

Jay Husted has been having flu this past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Olger took Ed Olger to the doctor Tuesday and Friday. Stewart Voss is helping with chores. Ed was feeling

Mrs.Gerald Latham entered the Clare Hospital Tuesday. Mrs.Dewey Olger took her father, Mr. Latham to visit Mrs. Latham in the hospital Sunday. She expected to come home Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Gary Latham of Weidman called on his sister and family, the Dewey Olgers, Sunday.

Mrs. Sidney Wood called on her father, Ed Olger, Wednesday evening.

Bruce Hamilton of Mt. Pleasant called on Mr. and Mrs. Harold Skinner and family Monday morning.

Carl and Ellen Geasler visited their sister and family, the Ferris Grahams, of Clare, Sunday. In the afternoon they all drove to Saginaw.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Geasler and Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Fosberg of Clare motored to Allegan to call on Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell Geasler and family Sunday.

Esther Skinner attended VFW Auxiliary No. 3033 business meeting Wednesday and Monday evenings in Mt. Pleasant, for audit of the books.

NEWS NOTE

Mrs. Don Smith and daughter returned home from the hospital last Friday. Both are doing fine.

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MR. AND MRS. WAYNE SCHAFER (Fleming Photo)

Connie Block Weds Wayne Schafer In St. Joseph's Catholic Church

St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Beal 'City was the scene of the Block-Schafer nuptials on February 6.

The bride, Connie Block, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Block of Weidman and the bridegroom, Wayne Schafer, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Schafer of Route 1, Mt. Pleasant.

One hundred and fifty guests witnessed the wedding ceremony performed by Rev. Edward neubecker before the altar graced with red poinsettias.

Fred Steffke and Ben Weber sang the Mass accompanied on the organ by Mrs. Ben Weber. Mr. Steffke also sang the "Ave Marie."

The bride approached the altar wearing a gown of Alencon lace fashioned in the Southern Belle style featuring tiers in both front and back. The scalloped sabrina neckline was accented with seed

pearls and sequins. The fitted bodice tapered to a point as did the long sleeves. Her veil of imported silk illusion was secured by a pair of silk organza rosebuds, large orange leaves and pearlized lily-of-the-valley. She carried a cascade of red roses entwined with ivy.

Maid of honor, Kathy Block, and the bridesmaid Julie Schafer, wore street-length red velvet gowns with matching accessories. The dresses featured sabrina necklines, long sleeves and tapered bodices. They carried colionial bouquets of white carnations.

Don Schafer served as best man and LaVern Yunker as groomsman. Seating the guest were ushers Mike Block and Dick Schafer.

The bride's mother wore a three-piece winter white brocaded suit with matching accessories. The bridegroom's mother chose a dark brown two-piece

eyelet suit with matching accessories. Both mothers wore a corsage of red tea roses.

Breakfast was served immediately following the ceremony in the church basement. Supper was served for the immediate family at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Beal City with an evening reception following. Around 500 guests attended the reception.

The newlyweds are both graduates of Beal City High School and the bride is presently employed at the Embers.

Guests attended the wedding from Lansing, Saginaw, Coleman, Lakeview, Lake, Weidman, Rosebush, Mt. Pleasant, Clare and Detroit.

Editor's Column

(Continued from Page 1) sent to be taxed. Gov. Romney will push through a state income tax without a referendum. Many people resent that, but nobody does much more than chafe at each new restriction and tax.

We no longer have representation in the United States Congress.
We now have liaison men from our elected Congressmen to gather up bits and dabs from constituents and take to Washington for the remote Washingtonian to look

A "field representative" of Congressman Alford Cederberg was

in several specified towns the past couple of weeks (a few hours in a place) and it was generously announced that people of this district (the 100th Congressional? The Tenth?) could go to the county seat with questions on Social Security problems.

Michigan was gerrymandered in reapportionment last year to the extent that the state is and will be controlled by our big cities, which means organized labor and the Democratic Party.

There's one thing the Boys in Lansing and Washington seem to pay attention to, and that is letters. We should write our Congressmen more often, and about things of our choosing, not their breezy and my-good-friend mim-eographed "news letters" which seem invariably to discuss items of the very least importance. (We just got one from State Representative Russell Strange from Lansing, and are about to write and ask him why he doesn't discuss the new school realignment plans instead of the date for township officials to be sworn in. We have a hunch the township men will be notified of that date.)

So--we lose our freedoms, and we lose them piecemeal, little by little, so that no one would dream of positive action to prevent the takeover.

I'm 63 years old and glad of it. I wouldn't want to be any younger.

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