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Editor's Column

By Connie

THE MICHIGAN MUNICIPAL LEAGUE HAS POINTERS ON VILLAGE INCORPORATION

The Michigan Municipal League is a non-profit organization serving city and village officials and service clubs. It has a bulletin titled "Technical Topics," and we have at hand one devoted to discussion of village incorporation of unincorporated areas (that's us).

The bulletin discusses all sides of the incorporation issue, pointing out purposes of incorporation, advantages, financial considerations, and responsibilities a village assumes upon incorporation.

Among "Advantages" cited is this:

"Incorporation provides the legal authority for exercising local control over such important matters as zoning, building standards, health regulations, and other measures for the protection of the health, welfare and safety of local citizens."

And, "Incorporation insures that state-collected, locally-shared taxes, which are distributed to local units on their population, will be spent within the limits of the village. Such funds today are frequently spent on projects and services in the sparsely populated areas of the township."

"It provides for property assessment for village tax purposes by an officer responsible only to the people residing within the village, and an equitable distribution of the cost of providing municipal services."

Under Financial Considerations of Village Incorporation, it says:

"Every community which is contemplating incorporation is vitally interested in how incorporation will affect it financially. Listed below are the important financial considerations associated with incorporation."

1. "As mentioned earlier, incorporation provides the legal authority to levy taxes sufficient to defray the cost of providing those services that the people want and are willing to pay for. The Home Rule Act limits the total tax levy for operating purposes to 20 mills or \$20 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation."

"This is important, because the township, no matter how demanding its citizens are for services and no matter how willing they are to pay for such services, may not levy more than the County Allocation Board will permit. Usually this amounts to from one to three mills. It can readily be

seen that the township cannot provide much services or a very high level of services to its residents with such limited financial resources.

"The village would receive its proportionate share of the sales tax moneys which now are returned entirely to the township. These funds would be divided between the village and the township in proportion to the population residing in the new village and the balance of the township. Sales tax returns amount to approximately \$6.71 in 1961-62 per capita based on the 1960 census."

(Editor's note: We figured this out and came up with \$2,744.39 of sales tax money for the Village of Weidman, based on the 1966 census.)

3. "The village would also receive its proportionate share of the intangibles tax moneys which currently go entirely to the township. This would also be divided in the manner outlined above, and amounts to approximately \$1.18 per capita."

(Ed's note: We did this sum, too, and came up with \$482.62 in intangible-tax money for the Village of Weidman.)

4. "Eighty-five percent of the moneys collected for liquor licenses in the village would be returned to it for enforcement of the State Liquor Law."

(We checked on this, and the amount collected from Weidman liquor licenses is a tidy bit, well over \$1,000 per year, with expenses totaling less than half that amount.)

5. "Furthermore, the village will receive funds now going to the County Road Commission for the maintenance and improvement of streets within the incorporated area. The amount each community receives depends on several factors, including major and local street mileage, 1960 census of the area, and equivalent state trunkline mileage. Accurate information regarding the amount of funds that will be returned to the incorporating community may be obtained by consulting the County Road Commission and the State Highway Department. Current gas and weight tax returns amount to approximately \$1,534 per mile for major streets, 410 per mile for local streets, and \$4.35 per capita on the 1960 census." (We figure this last at \$1,779.15, according to our census.)

Under "Responsibilities the Village Assumes" the bulletin lists the following:

A new village must assume certain legal functions such as providing for village elections, as-

CANDIDATES NAMED FOR CHARTER COMMISSION FOR INCORPORATED VILLAGE

At a meeting at the Weidman State Bank last Friday evening, candidates were named for election as members of a Village Charter Commission to study and submit to village voters a charter as an incorporated village.

Eight names were listed at Friday evening's meeting, and all will appear on a special ballot in the Nov. 8 elections. Only five names may be voted for on the ballot.

Candidates listed are as follows:

Daniel Wernette, Harold Branson, Roy D. Sprague, Walter J. Smith, Ed Fox, James Palmer, Elmer Abendroth, and Raymond Pung.

After approving a charter for the village, it will be the commission's duty to prepare a special election for adoption of the charter.

sessing property for village tax purposes, and collecting village taxes. It must also assume the responsibility for maintaining local streets but not county or state roads within its boundaries. As mentioned above, the village will receive funds from the State for assuming this obligation (of its streets).

Finally, the village will assume such other responsibilities that the taxpayers want, such as police and fire protection, regulation of sanitation and health, community recreation, etc. However, creating a new village does not in itself force any expenses on the community, except the nominal overhead cost of providing the legally required functions mentioned above. Generally, the moneys that are returned to the village from state sources are more than enough to cover the latter expenses.

Well, that's what the bulletin says. Ye Ed would point out that, while a village is empowered to lay on taxes up to 20 mills, it cannot do this without the consent of a majority of the village residents.

Because a village can legally lay on 20-mill taxes it does not follow that all villages will. In fact, we have not heard of any village that collects 20 mills taxes. (We'd be glad to hear if anyone knows such a village.)

Weidman Village has no plans for any millage proposals to begin with. The town can go along just as it is and not lay a penny's worth on tax on its residents for village government. If village people want more in services or

Men in Uniform

Clifton Beutler, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Beutler of Brinton, was promoted to Private First Class at Camp Beard, Korea, Aug. 22. Clifton is a military policeman in Headquarters Co., 2nd Bn, 72nd Armor. He entered the Army last March 22.

Dan Kripa, Jr., a nephew of the Don Alwoods, has a 30-day leave before going to Viet Nam.

The Edward Schafars received a call Saturday afternoon from their son, Donald, who is stationed at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo. Don was feeling lonely, and just wanted to talk with folks back home.

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NEWS NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Smith left Tuesday morning for a few days' fishing on the Manistee River near Mesick, in their house trailer.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Allen of St. Louis have been spending the week with Mr. and Mrs. Alton Allen.

facilities than the town now gets, that's up to the people of Weidman Village to decide by voting on proposals for taxation, if and when they come.

Last winter the Township of Sherman paid exactly nothing for snow removal from Weidman's street. We can go along as we have been doing, and get the same service from the County as we've always had, with no extra taxation of village people. (And that includes fire protection, as the Fire Department will remain housed in Weidman and will continue to be manned by Weidman fire-fighters.) There will be no necessity for added equipment or bigger housing of the unit unless the village population doubles and triples in the next few years. Incorporation of the village will leave the fire department unchanged as to physical condition.

One of the greatest advantages of incorporating as a village will be independence of the townships, as Weidman is peculiarly situated, divided between two townships, Nottawa and Sherman.

Thus, it has been pointed out, village problems now have to be presented to two separate township boards, and help in solving problems must be sought in two separate township units.

Under incorporation laws, the village would be on its own to solve its own problems locally, a responsibility that certainly should be understood and accepted by Weidman people.

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Saturday: 8.30 a.m. till 5.30 p.m.

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Weidman, Michigan

RUMMAGE ROOM--In Weidman will be open this Saturday, Oct. 1, but will be closed thereafter for the season.

Sept. 29t1

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Bette Kinsman.
Sept. 22t2p

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Sept. 29t1

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BETTER THAN A LETTER

Card Of Thanks

I wish to thank all those wonderful people who remembered me on my birthday, Sept. 26. I was thrilled and delighted with the very many cards and remembrances.

Thank you all.

Mrs. Andrew Little.

the Churches

FOREST HILL CHURCH OF GOD

Rev. Stanley Spires, Pastor
Sunday School, 10 a.m.
Morning Worship, 11 a.m.
Youth Fellowship, 7 p.m.
Evening Worship, 7.30 p.m.
Prayer Meeting Wednesday, at 7.30 p.m.

Saturday evening, Oct. 1, we will meet at the Church annex for our monthly fellowship dinner. Chicken is the order of the day, and it will be served buffet style.

Next Sunday, Oct. 2, will be Rally Day. Promotion certificates will be awarded to those entering new classes.

There will be a Missionary convention starting Wednesday, Oct. 19, and running through Sunday, Oct. 23. This will be the first such meeting we have had, and we extend a cordial invitation to those of the community to come and help us make it a success. There will be more information concerning this in next week's paper.

WEIDMAN METHODIST

Rev. Williams Reynders, Pastor
Sunday, Oct. 2, the Weidman and Deerfield Center churches will join with Methodist and many other denominations around the world in the celebration of Holy Communion.

Thursday, Oct. 6, the annual smorgasbord will be held in the dining room of the Weidman church, with serving starting at 5.30 p.m. The McArthur Circle will have a bazaar in connection, featuring hand-made items, and the Esther Circle will sell beautiful Christmas cards.

Sunday, Oct. 9, will be "Layman's Day" in both churches, with laymen in charge of the morning services.

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WELCOME NEW FAMILY MOVING TO WEIDMAN

The Messenger joins with the citizens of Weidman Village in welcoming another young family coming to make their home here.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Stanley and children have moved into the Smock house (built by Floyd Mitchell) this week, and are getting settled. Mr. and Mrs. Stanley both work at the Home and Training School, where Mr. Stanley is taking special courses to advance his work.

Welcome to town, Stanley family!

Two Rivers

Florence Harvey, Blanche Carr Reporters

Mr. and Mrs. Steve Saunders and family, Miss Helen Saunders and Miss Mickey Rzspecki were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Saunders.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Martin were Wednesday visitors of the John Reihls and Saturday guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Faber. Wednesday evening guests of the Martins were Mr. and Mrs. Fred Jacobs of George Lake and Mr. and Mrs. Peter Lorenz.

Mr. and Mrs. William Hochrein of Alpena visited his father, Herb Hochrein, and Rena, last week.

The Fred Swans were Sunday supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Cole and Brenda. Mr. and Mrs. Lindy Swan of Ypsilanti were weekend guests of the Fred Swans.

Mr. and Mrs. Oral Bunting and Mr. and Mrs. Tony Ege went on a trip in the Upper Peninsula last week. Saturday the Oral Buntings and Blaine Stansells visited Mr. and Mrs. Duane Stansell at Horsehead Lake.

Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Aungst entertained the John, Gale and Ray Freeze families and Mrs. Elsie Aungst at a family dinner in honor of Mrs. Gale Freeze and Mrs. John Freeze, for their birth days.

Mary Ann Myers was a Saturday overnight guest of the Vern Fosters. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Cunningham of Detroit were Sunday over night guests.

Mrs. Blanche Carr visited her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Estes, and Mrs. Garold Latham, Tuesday afternoon.

Blanche Carr spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Dalton Carr of Saginaw, and also a few days with the Doyle Planks of rural Wheeler, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Stump and Walter, Jr., of Greenville were Friday evening guests of their uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Harvey, and sons.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Courser and Mr. and Mrs. Herb Woodruff attended an Old Timers' musical concert at Reed City Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Blaine Stansell spent Sunday afternoon with Mrs. Arthur Hibner of Ithaca.

Mr. and Mrs. Pat Bunting went with Mr. and Mrs. Blaine Stansell to Horsehead Lake to visit Mr. and Mrs. Duane Stansell, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Harvey spent the weekend with their son and family, Mr. and Mrs. John Walworth, and daughters, of Chippewa Lake. Florence also visited her friend, Mrs. Ann Walworth.

Virgil and Tom Harvey spent Saturday night with their sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Sweet, and children, in Mt. Pleasant.

Around Horr

Jessie Rosencrantz, Reporter

BIRTHDAY PARTY FOR HATTIE LOSEY

Mrs. Hattie Losey was very pleasantly surprised Sunday evening when the following people came to help her celebrate her birthday:

Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher, Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Dutcher, Floyd Dutcher, Minnie Strauch, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hines, Mr. and Mrs. George Woodin, our aunt from Mt. Pleasant, Mrs. Liza Losey, who is 98 years old, Mrs. Bessie Price, Mr. and Mrs. Theron Merrihew, Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Losey and family, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Losey and Ron and Shari and a friend, and Jess-
sie Rosencrantz.

A lovely lunch was served. Hattie received very nice gifts and money.

Cards and visiting were enjoyed.

Mrs. Margaret Denslow and Mr. and Mrs. Verne Foster were among those from here attending an Audubon Society lecture at CMU last Wednesday evening.

Mrs. Betty Thompson called on Eloise Conley Monday afternoon.

Mrs. Thompson and son, Bill, attended Cub Scout pack meeting Tuesday evening. Wednesday evening Mrs. Thompson attended the Edna Carrie Circle of the Methodist Church in Remus. On Thursday evening she attended PTC meeting.

Robert Thompson was a Thursday overnight guest of Tim Workman, at the Roy Hewlitt home. Tim spent Sunday afternoon and over night with Robert.

Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Brewer were Saturday afternoon callers at the Benn Johnson home. Mrs. Johnson and children called on her sister, Mrs. Gordon Helmar, Sunday.

Mrs. Iola Miller and Janice called on Mr. and Mrs. Ed Owens and Mr. and Mrs. Olan Bowen Sunday afternoon.

Elwood Miller helped Wilbur Wright put a roof on his cabin Saturday.

Mrs. Leah Scharrer called on Mrs. Violet Oplinger Friday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Oplinger and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Thompson attended a farewell party honoring Mr. and Mrs. Elliott-Oldt in Remus Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Oplinger and Eddie called on her uncle, Jim McDonald, and family in Mt. Pleasant Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Dent, Mrs. Ervin Dutcher and Mrs. Sylvia Remington and children were Saturday afternoon callers at the Charlie Losey home. Mrs. Dutcher also called on Yours Truly.

Mr. and Mrs. Mack Denslow purchased a trailer at Centerville, Mich., Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Chuck Wilson and family and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Thompson and boys were Sunday dinner guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Thompson.

Mr. and Mrs. Sterling Oplinger returned last Monday from a week's camping trip in Upper Michigan. Mr. and Mrs. Pat Bunting were Thursday evening guests of the Oplingers.

Mrs. Evelyn Roberts and children spent the weekend with her parents, the Gerald Dents. Sunday Mabel, Evelyn and baby, called on Mr. and Mrs. Bob Kirvan and Aisher Dent and Mrs. Sherman.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Krueger and children and Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Johnson and children were Saturday evening guests of their parents.

Mrs. Mabel Dent and her mother, Mrs. Emily Wood, called at the Harold Krueger home Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Losey, Mr. and Mrs. Mack Denslow and Jess-
sie Rosencrantz attended the Dells' Golden Wedding in Mt. Pleasant Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Margaret Denslow attended a party for her aunt, Mrs. Cora Waring, honoring Mrs. Waring's 85th birthday, Sunday, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Kock in Mt. Pleasant. There were 20 guests present, including three aunts of Mrs. Denslow.

The Richard Edgar family of Ithaca were Sunday dinner guests of the Dean Denslow family.

Miss Susan Fisk, a niece of Mrs. Joe Martin, who is attending college in Mt. Pleasant, was a weekend guest of the Martin family.

Greg Martin had his Senior pictures taken Saturday.

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

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Suman and Alan Wood were Sunday dinner guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Vance Wood. Mr. and Mrs. Berneth Michaels and boys were Saturday evening callers.

Mrs. Marilyn Losey and Nancy attended the Golden Wedding for Mr. and Mrs. Van Brown at the VFW Hall in Mt. Pleasant Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Al Gross and Amy Sue were Sunday evening callers of the Gerald Loseys.

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Lawrence were Sunday supper guests of her brother and wife, the Ed Grabers.

Alva Cummins is working at the Church of God, remodeling the basement.

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Brinton News

Cora Estes, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Reynolds of Pontiac and Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Skinner of Weidman were Friday callers at the Estes home.

There will be a work day on the Brinton Chapel this Saturday, Oct. 1. The men will be served lunch in the hall at noon.

Mrs. Blanche Carr was an afternoon visitor Tuesday at the home of her uncle and aunt, Bert and Cora Estes.

Mrs. Clarence Conley returned to her home in Flint, after two weeks in Kelsey Hospital in Lakeview.

Mrs. Edna Teeter is employed at Williams' Dairy Bar in Barryton.

Mrs. Norman Brines' mother, Mrs. Ginsky, of Dearborn, was a visitor in the Brines home from Friday till Sunday, and attended church with them Sunday.

Mrs. Bessie Forbes attended the funeral of Gordon Tower at a funeral home in Lakeview Friday afternoon.

Central Michigan University Band put on a half-time show at the football game in Detroit Sunday. Jack Baker of Brinton plays in this band, and several around here saw the show on television Sunday.

Nina Forbes of Weidman, Maggie Boger, Lena St. John and Cora Estes were in Big Rapids Thursday, spending the day with

their friend, Jennie Krauser. Jennie has very pleasant rooms in a Senior Citizens project, and had just moved in on Monday. After lunch with her, we spent the afternoon shopping.

Mrs. Verna Campbell and Mrs. Addie Kile of Mt. Pleasant were Friday visitors of their cousin, Mrs. Kenneth Baker.

Mrs. Gordon Fosberg and son, Kurt, were Grand Rapids shoppers Thursday.

Mitchell Geasler and family of Lansing were in Brinton from Thursday till Sunday.

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Funeral

Wednesday for Mrs. Ritchey

Mrs. Irma Delong Ritchey, 73, of Edmore died Sunday, Sept. 25 at the Tri-County Hospital there, after a lingering illness.

She was born in Isabella County on October 29, 1892, and had lived in the Remus area for many years.

She is survived by one brother Tom Delong of Edmore.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, Sept. 28, at the Crittenden Funeral Home in Remus, at 2 p.m., with Norman Mosher officiating. Burial was in the Wambolt Cemetery.

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Beal City

Dora Smith, Reporter

BIRTHDAY PARTY FOR IRENE SMITH

A surprise birthday party was held Sept. 19 honoring Irene Smith, at her home.

Present were Dora Smith, Veronica Hauck, Frances Theisen, Alice Reihl, Audrey Moore, Viola Lawens, Luella Smith, Regina Smith, and Rita Hauck.

The evening was spent visiting. A delicious lunch was served by her daughter, Mary.

Mrs. Lizzie Hanes of Detroit called on Mrs. Louise Smith and Mrs. Lena Laubenthal one day last week.

Mrs. Louise Schafer of Mt. Pleasant spent the weekend at her home in Beal City.

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

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Trowbridge and daughter, Deanna, of Greenville spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Bob Blasen and family.

Mrs. Rose Schafer and Mrs. Henry Schafer of Beal City left Friday for Lansing to stay till Sunday, visiting Mrs. Rose Schafer, a sister-in-law.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Blasen and family were Sunday dinner guests of Mrs. Anna Schafer and family.

Mrs. June Blasen spent Tuesday till Wednesday with Mr. and Mrs. Bill Trowbridge in Greenville.

Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Simmer of Reed City, Wendell Simmer of Beal City and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Simmer of Rosebush went to DeWitt to visit their brother, Vernon, Sunday afternoon. The Arnold Simmers called on Louise Smith on their way home.

Mrs. Andrews of Big Rapids called on Louise Smith Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Ahlers and family of Bath spent the weekend at the Everett Schafer home.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Schafer attended a birthday party honoring Mrs. Carol Mathews at Coldwater Lake Saturday evening, reporting a nice time.

The Senior Citizens meeting at the K. C. Hall last Thursday afternoon was well attended, 11 tables playing pepper. Mrs. Mary Pantenburg won the door prize.

Mrs. Emma Connors of Carson City is visiting her sister, Mrs. Florence Pung, and her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Keefer.

Mrs. Elizabeth Hanes of Detroit spent the past week with relatives here.

Joe Pantenburg is still in CMC Hospital. He was some better at this writing.

Frank Engler returned home from CMC Hospital last Wednesday, feeling much better.

Mr. and Mrs. Tony Schafer spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Milo

Eldred near Blanchard.

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S.W. Sherman

Goldie Dutcher, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. J. Overdorf of Lansing and Mr. and Mrs. Earl Strong of Titus were Sunday afternoon callers of Mr. and Mrs. John Hibberd. Other callers were her brother, Wes Boucher, and his daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Goodwin, of Howell, and Mr. and Mrs. Wes Boucher, Jr., of rural Mt. Pleasant.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Beutler and Mr. and Mrs. Wes Boucher, Jr., were last week visitors helping the Hibberds celebrate their 69th wedding anniversary.

Mrs. Katie McDaniel and girls spent the weekend in Holt, with Mr. and Mrs. Jim McDaniel and family, going Friday after school and returning home Sunday evening.

Becky attended a birthday party for Tammy Tabor in Lansing while there.

Cindy McDaniel was out of school Monday a week ago, with nosebleed.

Mr. and Mrs. Rolland Dent were recent callers of the Clayton Dutchers.

Mr. and Mrs. Willard Ransom of Grand Blanc are the proud parents of a baby boy, William Lee, born Sept. 16. Willard is attending Oakland College.

Mrs. Soneia Cook and children and Mrs. Opal Hardenburg and girls drove to Grand Blanc Saturday to see the new baby. Mrs. Ransom is the former Patricia Hardenburg.

This reporter had the flu last week, so didn't gather any news. But am feeling better now, thank you.

The Harry Hardenburg family and Emory Dell attended Open House for Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Dell's 50th wedding anniversary at Mt. Pleasant Sunday afternoon. They report a nice crowd and nice time.

Mr. and Mrs. George Loomis and children of New Era were recent visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Garry Dutcher and children.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Remington and Troy and Dean of Saginaw spent from Friday afternoon till Saturday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hines were Friday supper guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher were Sunday dinner guests of the Robert Hines family.

Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher, Jr., and Sandra and Steven were Sunday evening callers a week ago of the Clayton Dutchers.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Tideman of Pontiac were a week ago Wednesday callers of their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. George Merrihew. Chuck was home on leave from the Army.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Fenton of rural Barryton were Sunday callers

of the Merrihews.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Lawrence of Horsehead Lake were Monday callers of the Merrihews, and Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Lawrence called Tuesday of last week.

Mrs. Maud Ockert and Mrs. Kathryn Nelson of Lyons were Sunday afternoon guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Woodin. Mr. and Mrs. Carl Fitzgerald were evening callers.

Mr. and Mrs. George Woodin helped her brothers fill silo Friday and Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Chris Comstock of Blanchard called on the Orrie and George Merrihews a week ago.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hines, Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher, Mr. and Mrs. George Woodin, Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Dutcher, Floyd Dutcher and Minnie Strauch were among the group who surprised Hattie Losey Sunday evening with a birthday party at her home. A nice time was enjoyed by all.

Mr. and Mrs. George Woodin

attended a reception Saturday evening at the Mecosta Hall for Mr. and Mrs. Carl Latham, the former Mrs. Carmel Leiter.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Beutler and daughter entertained with an anniversary dinner for Mr. and Mrs. Robert Tibbetts and family of East Lansing and Mr. and Mrs. Carl Beutler and children and Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Beutler were also dinner guests.

Mrs. Ruth Wolfe called on her niece, Mrs. Mary Beutler, Sunday afternoon.

Claribel, Mary and Marion Beutler attended the Great Northern Hymn Sing at Center Church near Rosebush Sunday evening.

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NEWS NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Gross and Mr. and Mrs. George Bodary drove to Cadillac Friday to see Eddie Williams, Mrs. Bodary's brother.

Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell McArthur were camping at Long Lake the weekend.



SAVE!!!!

1961 FORD 4-DR. SEDAN. 6 cyl. Standard shift.

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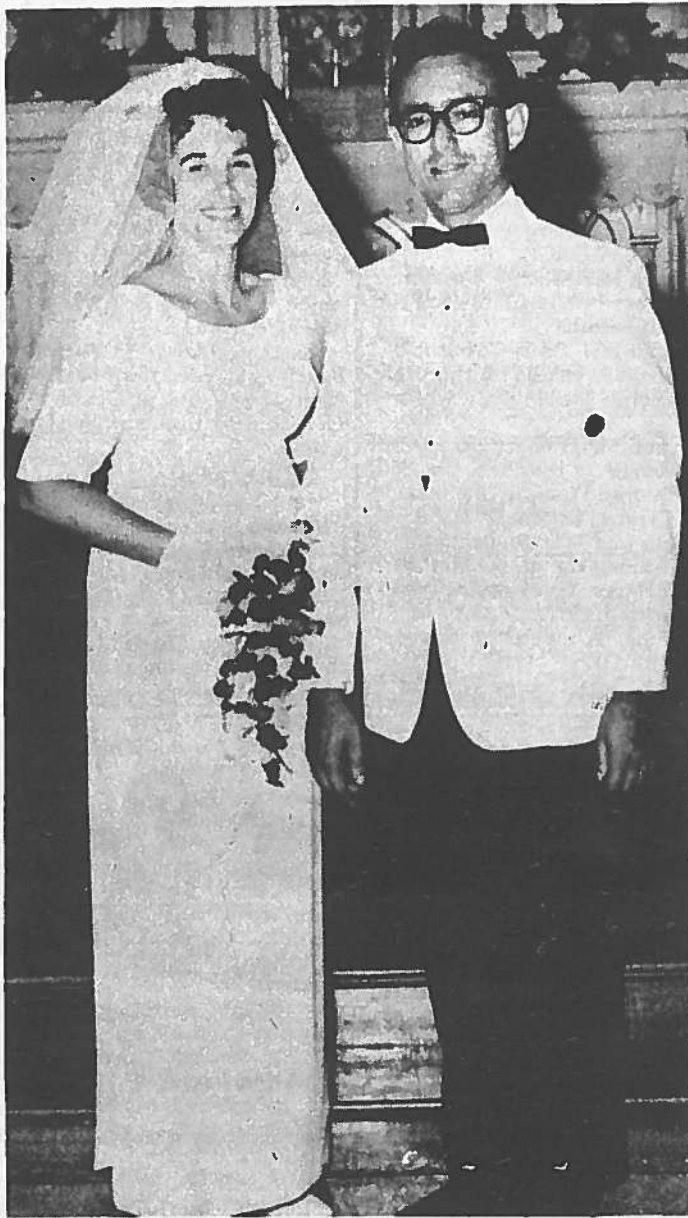
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**CHEVROLET
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Mr. and Mrs. William F. Wentworth
(Fleming Photo)

Schumacher-Wentworth Nuptials in Beal City

St. Joseph the Worker Catholic Church in Beal City was the scene of the marriage of Dolores June Schumacher to William F. Wentworth, of Flint, on Sept. 10. The altar flowers, burgundy glads and pink mums, provided the setting for the nuptial mass performed by Rev. Fr. Edward N. Neubecker.

Mrs. Ben Weber, organist, accompanied Lois Smith, Sharon Haupt, and Gladys Fox, vocalists as they sang.

The bride is the daughter of Mrs. Loretta Hesson of Rt. 2, Mt. Pleasant and the bridegroom is the son of George Wentworth of Rt. 3, Clare.

The bride approached the altar wearing a floor length pink

silk crepe empire sheath. The bodice was fashioned in white lace over pink with elbow length sleeves. The back panel was secured with a bow. She wore white lace gloves and matching pink shoes. Her petal designed headpiece held her bouffant veil of silk illusion. She carried a cascade arrangement of deep red sweetheart roses, lily of the valley with ivy. Her only jewelry was a diamond pendant, a gift of the bridegroom.

Mrs. Robert Walton, sister of the bride, and the bridesmaids, Mrs. Theodore Ahlers, sister of the bridegroom and Mrs. Charles Wentworth, cousin of the bridegroom wore

identical floor length gowns of pink silk crepe accented by pink satin flowers and green leaves at the empire waists. Matching headpieces of silk illusion were held in place by twin roses on flat bows. Completing their attire were white lace gloves and matching pink shoes. They carried miniature cascades of pink sweetheart rose, white satin, roses with lily-of-the-valley and ivy.

Theodore Ahlers, brother-in-law of the bridegroom served as best man. Groomsmen were Charles Wentworth, cousin of the bridegroom and Robert Walton, brother-in-law of the bride. Seating the 150 guests were the ushers, Theodore Wentworth and John Bollman, cousins of the bride and bridegroom.

Following the ceremony a luncheon was held at the Embers for the bridal party and immediate families. A reception for 300 guests was held at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Beal City in the evening.

The mother of the bride wore a three-piece knit suit in plum with powder blue accessories. Her corsage was of pink roses.

When the couple left for their wedding trip to southern Michigan, the bride was wearing a navy knit dress with navy and white accessories.

The Wentworths now make their home at 1525 S. Winn Rd., Mt. Pleasant.

Guests attended the wedding from Detroit, Flint, Ionia, Gladwin, Clare, Alma, Shepherd, Weidman, Blanchard, Rosebush, Farwell and Chicago, Ill.

Local Items

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Smith and Mrs. Dorothy Chafee were in Grand Rapids Thursday.

Mrs. Hermione Smith and Mrs. Irma Kische enjoyed chicken dinner with the Don Smith family Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Allen and children were Sunday dinner guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alton Allen, at their Lake Windoga home.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Bywater and family were Sunday guests of Mrs. Ethel Bywater. Dale and his family are spending a month vacation at their home in Midland. They will return to Italy in two weeks. While here, the family and Mrs. Bywater enjoyed a drive around Lake Windoga and Lake of the Hills. Dale's family hopes to return to this country permanently in February.

Mr. and Mrs. R.D. Sprague were Saturday supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Clare Oberlin.

Local Items

Mr. and Mrs. R.D. Sprague were Sunday evening callers of Mr. and Mrs. Jib Hall of Barryton.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Craven and Mr. and Mrs. Homer Moses were callers of Mrs. Nettie Baker last week. We are happy to report that Nettie has improved since her last sick spell.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Beutler were Friday supper guests of the Forrest Johnston family in Rosebush.

Mr. and Mrs. Roger Smith and baby of Flushing were Sunday guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ted Smith. Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Smith and Mrs. Leah Scharrer were callers.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Jonson and Pat, Jane and Kathleen of Mt. Pleasant were Sunday guests of Mrs. Kit Johnson.

Iola Miller was a last Wednesday caller of Mr. and Mrs. R.D. Sprague.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Louisell attended the Golden Wedding Open House reception for Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Dell in Mt. Pleasant Sunday.

State Trooper Bruce Smith of East Lansing and a State Police friend of Mt. Pleasant were last Thursday visitors of Trooper Smith's uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Goodrich. While here the State Troopers took their police dogs out for an exercise run. Mrs. Goodrich says one of the big German shepherds was like a kitten, the other a trifle more aggressive; but the State Police and their dogs created a lot of interest.

Nancy and Marilyn Powell of rural Mt. Pleasant spent last Thursday night with their grandmother, Mrs. Kit Johnson.

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In the Editor's Mail

Dear Connie:

Do you print the Weidman paper any more? How are you, and how are they coming on with the lake?

I would like so much to visit a day at Weidman. I have a daughter up here. She teaches at Grandville, so she is home only week-ends.

Best wishes,
Esther N. Lee,
McBain.

Dear Connie:

Saw a Candid Camera on what kids think the Statue of Liberty represents--hope you didn't see it!

I liked your Edna Langin Lang on your protest to the Free Press. Mildred Garner
Fort Myers, Fla.

IF YOUR SUBSCRIPTION IS DUE you will see a mark on the expiration date this week. We keep on all who ask us to.

North Weidman

Elvah Gott, Reporter

BIRTHDAY PARTY FOR MRS. VADA ABBOTT

Mrs. Vada Abbott was honored by her family on her birthday Sept. 22.

Present were her mother, Mrs. Fred Wilcox, her sisters, Pauline Branson, Ruth Ann Gatehouse, and Monica Parker; and Arlene Wilcox and Joyce Curtiss.

They brought a lovely birthday cake. A wonderful time was enjoyed by all.

Little Cathy Alwood was taken to Ford Hospital last Wednesday for surgery Friday. Don and the boys went down to visit Cathy and her mother, Helen, Saturday. She was coming along very well, and she and her mother returned home Tuesday. Bob Smith of Ypsilanti drove them home. We're glad you're both back, safe and sound, Cathy and Helen!

Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Miller, observing Clayton's birthday, were Joe and Carol Bleise, Marcy Miller and Verne Miller.

Muriel Miller and Carol Abbott called on Guy Carr Saturday. Guy left that afternoon for Ford Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Miller and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Herman attended a meeting at the Rosebush Methodist Church Sunday evening.

Brenda Embrey visited her grandparents overnight Thursday and Friday.

Debbie Graham stayed the weekend with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. John Gott.

Albert Gott and Flossie Allen called at the John Gott home, and also Carl Gott was a caller.

Mrs. Carol Johnson and family called on her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Blodgett, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Waters went to Kalamazoo and Sturgis the weekend. They saw Sam's grandson from Viet Nam, and his newborn brother, Tommy.

Mr. and Mrs. John Gott called at the Richard Gott home in Farwell last week. Debbie Graham was with them.

Mrs. Lois Knollenberg and family and her father, James Kennedy, of Mt. Pleasant were luncheon guests at the Micky Abbott home Sunday.

Sunday visitors at the Jack Burden home were her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Wood, and son and girl friend and Mrs. Lorena Burden.

Mr. and Mrs. John Gott called on Flossie Scott and son, Don, Wednesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloy Sperry visited their daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Ken McQueen, of Grand Blanc, Saturday.

Sunday visitors at the Sperry home were Mr. and Mrs. Allan Blodgett and family of Houghton Lake, Dick and Ronda Sperry, Betty and John Latham and family, and Carol Weaver.

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REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS
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Alvie S. Haynes and wife to Bailey H. Darnell and wife, pt. sw nw sec. 27, Deerfield.

Constance Skinner to Byron Tranbarger and wife, pt. sw ne sec. 13, Sherman.

Glenn J. Brown and wife to Evan J. Yuncker and wife, pt. nw nw sec. 33, Nottawa.

Boyd Yost and wife to Bernice H. Hause, ne ne sec. 17, Broomfield.

Raymond A. Tilmann and wife to Dale A. Tilmann and wife, pt. sw se sec. 4, Deerfield.

Dorothy L. Sherwood to Bruce J. Cushman and wife, lots 95, 186, Riverside Beach, Nottawa.

Leonard A. Wight and wife to Norman L. Meyers and wife, lots 49 and 50, Coldwater Lake Shores, Nottawa.

Lloyd S. Cramer and wife to Eldon McNeilly and wife, pt. sw nw sec. 19, Coldwater.

Wilbur M. Benn and wife to Rex. W. Potter and wife, lot 6, Woodland Sub., Sherman.

Harold W. Branson to Lee Ordway and wife, pt. sw se sec. 13, Sherman.

Ida Tilmann to Edward A. Schafer and wife, ne nw; pt. n 1/2 ne, sec. 28, Nottawa.

J. P. Bishop and wife to Raymond M. Kibler and wife, nw nw sec. 21; sw sw sec. 16, Sherman.

Maxine E. Kornexl to Donald J. Pantenburg and wife, ne ne sec. 4, Deerfield.

Anthony Schafer and wife to Donald J. Pantenburg, pt. ent. nw, sec. 4, Deerfield.

Doris N. Davis to John Laverty, Sr., and wife et al, lot 15, Tee Pee Town Sub., Gilmore.

Clifton F. Wood and wife to Archie Powell, Jr., pt. ne sw sec. 14, Sherman.

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N. Broomfield

Maycie Cook, Reporter

Herman and Aliance Cook, Mrs. Glee Krueger and Keith, Kathy and Terry spent Friday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Walter Nelson in Lansing. They called on Myrtle Walch and Nettie Meissner of Remus Saturday afternoon.

Myrtle Walch and Mary Cook of Remus were Thursday guests of Maycie Cook. Mrs. Ann Wilson and Mrs. Laura Fritz of Mt. Pleasant were afternoon callers.

Mrs. Maycie Cook and Myrtle Walch were Wednesday dinner guests of their niece, Mrs. Frank Eldred, of rural Remus.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Lueder

and Mr. and Mrs. Rudolf Lueder and children spent Sunday with friends at Imlay City.

Mr. and Mrs. Emil Lueder spent the weekend with their son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Lueder, and boys, in Lansing.

Mrs. Nettie Crowley and brother, Jay Leinaar, visited Mr. and Mrs. Bill Best in Grand Rapids one day this week.

Mrs. E. Rhode and Harold spent Tuesday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Emil Lueder, in honor of Emil's birthday. They were Thursday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Stevens.

Mrs. E. Rhode and Harold attended a birthday dinner Sunday

for her granddaughter, Mrs. Judy Thompson, of Lansing, given by Mrs. Wesley Schultz, at her home in Eaton Rapids.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Peters and Mrs. Frances Handy of Evart called on their brother, Roderick Nicholson, last Sunday.

Mrs. Eda Van Zandt spent Wednesday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Bill Van Zandt of Hemlock.

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NEWS NOTES

Emma Middlesworth, Edna Mills and Vada Carroll visited Flossie Forbes in Kelsey Hospital at Lakeview Monday afternoon.

Mrs. Miles Loomis was a Saturday visitor of Ina Gillett.

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Mr. Bierschbach Of Jackson Dies Saturday

Alex Bierschbach of Jackson died Saturday, Sept. 24, as a result of injuries suffered when struck by a Honda.

Mr. Bierschbach was born Aug. 6, 1891, in Nottawa Township. He was 75 years old at the time of his death. He had very many friends and relatives in this area.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, Sept. 28, at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Beal City, with Rev. Father Edward Neubecker officiating. Burial was in St. Joseph's Cemetery at Beal City.

Rosary services were held Monday and Tuesday evenings at the Rush Funeral Home in Mt. Pleasant.

Surviving are one son, James, of Beal City; one daughter, Mary, of Traverse City; 10 grandchildren; three brothers, Leander, Frank and Julius, of Beal City; and six sisters, Mrs. Anna Reihl, Mrs. Helen Bleise, Mrs. Elizabeth Hengesbaugh and Mrs. Lydia Hengesbaugh, all of Beal City, and Miss Agnes Bierschbach of Jackson, and Mrs. Ida Richmond of Detroit.

The family has the sincere sympathy of all.

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West Gilmore

Lena Cole, Reporter

Mrs. Jack Allbee returned home Tuesday from Saginaw General Hospital, feeling much better. She was scheduled to return Sept. 27 for gall bladder x-rays.

Monday evening visitors of the Paul Coles were Mr. and Mrs. Charles Mahan and Mr. and Mrs. Dan Kripa of Mt. Pleasant.

Hugh Douglas suffered another attack Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Cole and Velma visited Tuesday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Ellsworth in Blanchard, while Mr. Cole had his car in the garage for repairs.

Mr. and Mrs. Milton Shilling of Grand Rapids were Tuesday guests of his sisters, Mrs. Charlotte Hart and Mrs. Violet Lowery. The Shillings also visited their cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Martin Boger.

Sharon and Greg Pitts made a trip to Dayton, O., Thursday, to visit their uncle, Eli Pitts.

Friday evening callers of the Paul Coles were her nephews, James Wixson of Coldwater and Lewis Wixson of rural Farwell.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Douglas visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Douglas, Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Walt Bolis of Stanton were breakfast guests of her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Cole, and Velma,

WEIDMAN LAUNDROMAT GETS "A" RATING ON POLLUTION CONTROL

Leon McArthur, proprietor of Weidman Laundryland, a coin-operated laundromat here, has received a letter from the Water Resources Commission, Lansing, giving ratings of various laundromats around the state, ratings reading from "A" (top rating) to "E" (lowest).

The Weidman laundromat was rated "A", which points out that the Weidman Laundromat is free from doubt as to its standing in relation to water pollution in disposal of its waste waters. The Weidman Laundromat was given the top rating by the Water Resources Commission for its handling of its waste waters in relation to stream pollution. In other words, the Water Resources Commission rated the Weidman Laundromat as having no water pollution charges or suspicions against it. This is good news for Weidman people, as the laundromat sends its waste waters into the Coldwater River, and there has been some speculation as to its pollution of that stream.

"I notified the Commission as to my intentions, when I was building the Laundromat," Leon told the Messenger this week. "I laid out in detail my plans for water disposal. I didn't hear directly from them, but they sent an inspector up, and now I have this letter giving me top rating in avoiding pollution of waters here."

"I think, in the case of laundromats, it depends on how the waste water is treated before it is put into the stream. I am very careful to keep the Laundryland water very soft at all times, and while the ladies use lots of detergents, they also use lots of bleach, and it is this latter that kills bacteria. So that, by the time Weidman Laundryland's waste water reaches the river it is pretty well divested of detergent, leaving some bleach, or chlorine, in the water, which is good for any river in the small amounts we contribute."

"I was happy to receive this letter from the Water Resources Commission giving my Laundromat a clean bill of health."

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NEWS NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Crosby of Muskegon were Sunday visitors of Vada Carroll.

Sunday. Dinner guests were Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ewing and family of Vassar, Mrs. Helen Wardwell and granddaughter, Helen, and Carol Allbee, and Mrs. Cole's niece, Pattie Samson, of Mt. Pleasant.

Mr. and Mrs. James Pitts returned home last Saturday after spending a week in a trailer house at Ludington, fishing. They report a fine time, and said it was not as cold up there as we down here would expect.

Coldwater Lake

Marjorie Schafer, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Jacobs of George Lake spent Wednesday through Friday with Mr. and Mrs. Peter Lorenz.

Mr. and Mrs. Herb Morford called on Mr. and Mrs. Edward Schafer Wednesday evening.

Thursday afternoon callers at the Peter Lorenz home were Mr. and Mrs. Herman Martin, Mrs. Frank Haupt, and Thelma Kolarik.

Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Schafer of Beal City enjoyed a few games of cards Thursday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Edward Schafer.

Rose DeRosia of Plymouth and Mrs. Jim Grenki and son, Timmy, of Berkley spent Thursday and Friday with Mr. and Mrs. Peter Lorenz.

Thursday evening guests at the Peter Lorenz home were Mrs. Robert Theisen and children, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Simmer and children, Mrs. Max Straus and children, and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Lorenz and children.

Joe Schueller and daughter called on Mrs. Peter Lorenz Monday forenoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Irtaro, new residents at Coldwater Lake, called on Mrs. Peter Lorenz last Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Marchiando and children spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Joel Bertinetti of Detroit. Their son, Jep Bertinetti, is leaving for the service.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Haag and

children were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Dorr this weekend. Pat called on Loretta Lorenz Sunday forenoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Lorenz called on Mr. and Mrs. Ron Lorenz and family Sunday evening.

Sunday guests at the Edward Schafer home were Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Klumpp and girls, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Dietrick of Detroit and Mr. and Mrs. John McKenzie.

Mr. and Mrs. John McKenzie and Mr. and Mrs. Edward Schafer attended the enrollment at the Moose Club Saturday evening. It was held in honor of the Past Governor, Russell Klumpp. Sunday evening they ate chicken dinner at the Wyman Tavern.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Dietrick are spending a few days at their home here. They built a lovely home this summer at the west end of Jordan Road.

NEWS NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. John Beutler of Marine City were last Tuesday callers of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Beutler.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Clark and family were Monday supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Pitts and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Halfman, Mrs. Gary Wernette and daughter and Charles' mother, Mrs. Ella Halfman, drove to Ann Arbor Saturday to visit Joe Neubecker. Joe was feeling better, they found.

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