

## Editor's Column

By Connie

### LET'S LOOK AT THE BEAUTIFUL BLUE BROCHURE

Have you studied Daverman Associates' detailed plan for "Proposed New High School" on the front page of the expensively-printed blue brochure "presented by the Boards of Education of the Barryton, Fouts, Mecosta-Remus and Weidman School Districts"?

We took a good look at the elaborate layout, and concluded that the "proposed new high school" is an expanse of roofs, roofs. This will provide work for maintenance men for many years.

The complex is all one-story, necessitating a heating plant that can push heat over an area of apparently an acre or more.

We could see no evidence of windows on the main structures. That will necessitate artificial lighting at all times.

Notice the great area of smooth, beautiful lawns. There's a good full-time job for someone. Such lawns must be cared for.

That's just looking at Daverman Associates' drawing on the first page. (Incidentally, who hired Daverman Associates, Inc., to draw plans for a school building not even in the voting stage yet?)

One last look at the first page. It says, "Proposed New High School: A Message to the Voters." And, "Vote Feb. 11, 1967, on this Important Issue."

You will not be voting on a proposed new high school Feb. 11. You will be voting only whether or not to consolidate the four school districts into a Big-Big district. That's all.

If the vote is favorable for consolidation, another election will be held in an attempt to vote a bond issue to build the new school. In this bond-issue vote, only taxpayers can vote. In the Feb. 11 election, you can vote if you merely live within the district: renting, board-and-rooming, owning but tax-exempt and so on. But on the vote to provide money to build a new school, only taxpayers may vote. And that's a horse of a different color.

Page 2 of the Beautiful Blue Brochure contains rosy promises of the perfect educational dream. But we ask, how can these four school boards promise these things? For if the consolidation vote is approved, these boards would immediately be liquidated and all decisions would be made by a new board governing the entire area.

Have you read carefully the  
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# WINTER GRIPS IN BLIZZARD

Weidman was buried in snow drifts during and after last week's record blizzard, but we did well, at that.

No accidents here were reported, no fires, no emergencies. Weidman people just stayed at home, riding out the terrific storm, and after the roaring wind subsided, started digging out.

The Weidman School opened Friday morning but closed at noon. Regular sessions were resumed Monday.

Isabella County road crews did heroic work trying to keep roads open in the county. Not much could be done till after the wind died down, as the two-day blizzard packed powerful gusts that sent snow into drifts blocking all highway traffic for a day or so. Nevertheless, by Sunday we had most main roads passable, and most side roads dug out by Monday.

R.D. and Ronnie Sprague spent Saturday night at the Co. Road offices, to be available in case of emergency needs. Other road workers put in late hours, working till dark, and then on Saturday and on Sunday, plowing out the roads.

Weidman area people took the storm sensibly, apparently, for we had no reports of heart attacks suffered by people shoveling snow, no auto accidents here, none of the usual catastrophies attendant upon a winter storm of that magnitude.

Winter was staying with us on Tuesday morning, however, with more snow but no wind. Roads were reported slippery in most areas of the county.

Mail service was paralyzed between Lansing and Mt. Pleasant, resulting in a two-day lapse of trucks between those points. Mail began to be received at Mt. Pleasant Saturday night and Sunday, according to reports, and local citizens enjoyed a three-day supply Monday and Tuesday.

The Weidman rural carrier did not go out last Friday, but made partial rounds Saturday.

All in all, this area did well in a national emergency caused by one of the worst blizzards in history.

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HOME PAPER FOR THE WEST  
HALF OF ISABELLA COUNTY

## Weidman Lions Honor Two Essay Winners

Kathleen Lueder and Betty Baxter were honored at the Weidman Lions Club meeting last Wednesday evening in the dining room of the Methodist Church.

Kathleen's was the winning essay, with Betty's the runner-up. Both girls were presented with gifts for their fine writings.

First prize award, a Webster dictionary, was presented Kathleen, and second prize, a Parker pen, was awarded Betty. Both girls are to be commended for their fine essays on "Is Peace Attainable?"

Other guests included Mrs. Barbara Hubert and Mrs. Linda Williams, teachers at the Weidman Community School; and also Ken Folkertsma, Lions district governor.

The meal was served by the Methodist women, with chicken, shoestring potatoes, peas, coffee and pie on the menu.

The district governor complimented both girls on their achievement.

The winning essay which Kathleen wrote was sent to the district governor, and will be judged along with others at the sub-district level, with the winner moving along to the world geographical level and international level.

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### ICE FISHING SLOWED BY BLIZZARD CONDITIONS

Ice fishing on area lakes and ponds was definitely slowed this past week during and after the big blizzard.

Littlefield Lake, a very popular spot for ice fishermen, was deserted the first of the week as parking facilities and approaches there remained choked with snowdrifts.

Some good catches had been reported previously on Littlefield, including George Skinner's record 42-inch, 19 1/8-pound pike. Some reported sporadic hauls of good bluegills there, but generally bluegills have been slow this winter.

The first of this week, good fishing was reported on Boom Lake, of the Martiny chain in

## Men in Uniform

Here's a new address:  
Pvt. Roger J. Maeder, US-54961055, Hq. & Hq. Co., Sp. Trps., Fort Rucker, Ala. 36360.

Here's another new address:  
Pvt. Edward J. Kavanaugh, US-54961054, 113th Ord. Co. (G. M. G. S.), Fort Bliss, Tex. 79916.

Here's another:  
Pvt. Wm. J. Bierschbach, US-54961056, H Hc, 12th Log, Spt. BDE, Fort Bragg, N. C. 28307.

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Rusty Alwood writes his parents that he has been moved to Chu Lai, 60 miles south of Da Nang, and this camp is more secured.

It is a little warmer than Da Nang, and there is plenty of mud, Rusty says. He says that some days they put in 12 to 14 hours, by the time they go on their runs and come back and get their trucks squared away.

The day Rusty wrote, he had received a package from his uncle Bob and aunt Mary Ann from Ypsilanti. Rusty says they share their candy and home-made things with the other men in their tent.

Although Rusty has been moved, his address remains the same:

Pfc. Russell V. Alwood 2246083  
7th Motor Transport Bn., A Co.  
FPO San Francisco, Calif. 96602.

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Word has been received by Mr. and Mrs. Orval Abbott that their son, Don, has arrived in Viet Nam. We will print a complete address next week.

Mecosta County, with good roads and approaches clear of snow for the sportsmen. Tubbs Lake over there also has been reported as a good ice-fishing place.

There has been no ice fishing on the Weidman Pond this year, as water level was lowered drastically by land developers, and the Pond remained at levels from two to three feet of water. Around six inches of ice were reported on the Pond, and George Skinner tried fishing there Tuesday afternoon, with little result. There are fish still in the Weidman Pond, however.

Its fish supply is unending, coming down from both the Coldwater River and Walker Creek. The Weidman Pond has often been lowered, but its fishing potential has always remained good.

Snowmobiles made their first appearance this winter on Littlefield Lake, their operators having a wonderful time--up to the big blizzard. Fishermen were driving their cars over the ice on Littlefield before last week's first thaw and then the big storm. No cars were reported this week there.

## Walker Creek News

Esther Stanley, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Denslow are proud to announce the birth of their second grandson, born to Mr. and Mrs. Willis Finney (Linda), Sunday, Jan. 29, at Lansing. He weighed nine pounds, and has been named Michael Todd.

Mr. and Mrs. Ronald DeVries of Hersey were weekend guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Denslow, and Denise.

Mrs. Lyle Denslow visited Mrs. Arthur Loomis Monday afternoon, and called on Mrs. Gary St. John and Deana and Michael of Weidman, before returning home.

Mr. and Mrs. Denslow were Sunday dinner guests of her brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Abbott, of Blanchard.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Monroe were in Mt. Pleasant Saturday morning. They attended the Baptist Fellowship meeting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jay Denslow Wednesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Schrock were Sunday dinner guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Owens, of Lake. Homer Teeter visited at the Schrock home Sunday night.

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

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Zill now have the phone, and report they and the children are feeling fine.

Mrs. Thomas Wade of Flint and Mrs. Elizabeth Conley of Brinton visited Mr. and Mrs. Otis Conley Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Rodman of Lake and Mr. and Mrs. George Clark and Terri of Weidman were Sunday evening guests at the Conley home.

Mary Jane Schrock returned home from the Mt. Pleasant hospital Sunday.

Wm. Uhl of Gladwin was a weekend guest of Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Schrock and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Schrock took a group of young people to special services at the Baptist Church Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Beutler and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Straus of Weidman had dinner at The Embers Thursday evening. The occasion was the celebration of Mrs. Straus' and Mrs. Beutler's birthdays, coming up this week. Happy Birthday to you both!

Sorry to hear Mrs. Straus has to return to the hospital for more surgery on her foot.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin Boger and Mrs. Frances Beck were Tuesday visitors of Mrs. Lena St. John at the Beutler home. Mrs. St. John is feeling lots better, and reports the Brinton Quilting Club will meet on Tuesdays from now on.

Miss Judy Wachoviak of Mt.

Pleasant visited her uncle and aunt and cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Warren Leiter, and family, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Duane Gray and family of Mt. Pleasant were Sunday supper guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lou Gray. Teresa took her brother, Michael, back to his studies at Ferris State College, Big Rapids.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Bobroski and new baby, Edward John, came Monday night to the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Emmons, mother and baby to stay a few days. Due to the heavy snow storm, Mr. Bobroski wasn't able to come up from Lansing, so Mr. and Mrs. Emmons have been enjoying little Eddie very much.

Mr. and Mrs. Emmons visited Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Irwin of Stevenson Lake Monday night and were supper guests.

George Miller came and got his grandmother, Mrs. McLean, Saturday evening, and she was a supper guest at the home of her son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Miller.

Several of Mrs. McLean's great-grandchildren called on her Sunday afternoon, Connie Wachoviak and Teresa Loomis among them.

Connie Wachoviak of Mt. Pleasant was a Saturday over night guest of her cousin, Teresa Loomis.

Virgil Loomis was a Sunday dinner guest of Mr. and Mrs. Keith Loomis and daughters.

Mrs. Glen Dosenberry, who is attending Ferris State College, visited her husband's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Dosenberry, Saturday.

Clyde Dosenberry and son, Blaine, of Mt. Pleasant were weekend guests of his parents. His wife, Ruth, is among the students from CMU in Mt. Pleasant who are taking an educational tour of New York City for 10 days. Mrs. Flora Van Sycle, her grandmother, accompanied her, and the bus got snowbound in Lansing Friday morning, so they returned to Mt. Pleasant, but were able to leave again Saturday.

Forgot to mention Mr. and Mrs. Walter Faber were Saturday night guests a week ago of Mr. and Mrs. Russell Stanley. Talked to Walter, and Eileen hasn't had her exploration surgery yet because of a bad cold. Talked to Judy Friday night and they thought surgery would be Tuesday morning. Keeping our fingers crossed, Eileen!

Mrs. Donald Pung, Darlene, Donna and Doris, called on her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley, Thursday afternoon.

Mrs. Arthur Loomis is still fighting a bout with Ole Arthritis. Callers during the week at the Loomis home were Ollie Denslow, Mr. and Mrs. Warren Leiter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Charles and Keith Loomis and their fam-

ilies, Mr. and Mrs. Max Kimball of Barryton, their sons, Virgil and Tom, and her brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Cloyce Miller, of Big Rapids.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Esterline and children of Mt. Pleasant were Sunday guests, Myrtle preparing dinner for her parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Loomis are eagerly awaiting their son, Patrick, who is coming home soon on a 30-day furlough from Germany, where he is with the Armed Forces.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Skalitzky were Sunday morning callers of Mr. and Mrs. Leander Bowman and Mr. and Mrs. Donald Van Antwerp of Remus, and were dinner guests of his son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Skalitzky, and family. They called on her nephew and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Niles Denslow, enroute home.

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## Around Horr

Jessie Rosencrantz, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Dent spent Thursday, Friday and Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Johnson and family. Harry spent those nights with his grandmother, Mrs. Emily Wood, in Weidman, waiting for the snowplow to open the road so they could get home.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Garner and Walter Davis were Sunday callers at the Joe Martin home.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Dutcher and Doug were Tuesday evening callers at the Charlie Losey home. Sunday callers were Mr. and Mrs. Theron Merrihew, Harold and Ron Losey, Clayton Dutcher, and Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Losey and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Thompson were Sunday dinner guests of their son, Jim, and family.

Mrs. Ethel McLean was a Saturday supper guest of her son and wife, the Elwood Millers.

Mrs. Betty Thompson and Bob attended basketball games Monday and Wednesday evenings at Mecosta and Barryton.

Bill Thompson attended the Shrine Circus Wednesday with the 6th Grade class of Mecosta, in Grand Rapids. Bob Thompson celebrated his birthday Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Thompson were Lansing callers and also called on her mother, Mrs. Stoll, Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Al Gross and Amy, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Gross and boys, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Jackson and family, all enjoyed an afternoon of tobogganing with Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Losey and family Sunday.

Mrs. Joanne Cochran and Micky were Wednesday supper guests of the Gerald Loseys. Mrs. Bea Gross spent part of the evening with them also.

Mr. and Mrs. Daryl Platick were Sunday dinner guests of the Jay Denslow family.

Several families enjoyed adult Fellowship devotions and lunch

with the Jay Denslow family Wednesday evening.

Mrs. Denslow says, People used to say we had this white stuff, but they don't say that any more. Now they know what it is.

Jessie Rosencrantz papered a couple of rooms for Mrs. Deborah Benn last week.

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## Brinton News

Cora Estes, Reporter

Your news writer spent from Sunday till Tuesday at the home of her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Molyneux, at Walhalla. We delegated our news writing to Bert, to relay to Connie, this week.

About 25 people from the Brinton area attended at a joint service with the Weidman Baptist Church Sunday evening. All enjoyed the program very much, especially the music by the choirs from both churches. All this makes for good fellowship among people.

We had plenty of snow, same as everyone else, but we figure not as much as Weidman got in last week's record storm. Apparently the south part of the state was hardest hit, with snowfall diminishing as the storm moved northward. We had plenty, however. By Monday we were pretty well plowed out on most roads.

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## Two Rivers

Theresa Bunting, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. John Harvey and daughters of Chippewa Lake spent Wednesday with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Harvey.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Harvey entertained Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Sweet and family at a birthday supper Monday, honoring Mr. Sweet's birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Harvey and son of Lansing spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Harvey here. Sunday callers were Mr. and Mrs. Clair Letson and family and Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Sweet and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Keith Woodruff and daughter spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Blaine Satnsell.

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Lorenz and Clarence spent Friday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Herman Martin.

Sunday callers at the Oral Bunting home were Mr. and Mrs. Olen Bunting and boys of Belding, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Ege of Mt. Pleasant, and Lucile Boilman.

Mr. and Mrs. Herb Woodruff were Wednesday supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Courser.

Mr. and Mrs. Orval Nicholson and Flora spent Monday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Ward.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Flaughter and Ralph were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Russell Flaughter.

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**Card Of Thanks**

I wish to thank the very many neighbors, relatives and friends for the nice birthday cards sent me last week. I much appreciate their thoughtfulness.

Mrs. Bertha Gross.

**Card Of Thanks**

I wish to express my heartfelt thanks to all my friends and relatives in the Weidman area for all the nice cards and letters I received while in the Blodgett Hospital in Grand Rapids, and since returning home.

I shall be forever grateful.  
 Arthur Kent  
 326 44th St.  
 Wyoming, Mich.

**TO SENIOR CITIZENS OF NOTTAWA TOWNSHIP:**

I will be at the Weidman State Bank on Thursday, Feb. 9, from 1 p. m. to 3 p. m., and at Rau's Service Station, Beal City, on Saturday, Feb. 11, from 1 p. m. to 3 p. m., to accept Senior Citizens' tax exemption affidavits for 1967.

Those who apply for the first time are required to bring deed to property, birth certificate, and Social Security card if you have one.

Ernest Schmidt  
 Supervisor, Nottawa Twp.  
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WE THANK YOU, FOLKS--For your steady flow of new subscribers. We know you'll like the little home newspaper.

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**the Churches****GILMORE FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST**

George Getchel, Pastor  
 Morning Worship, 10 a. m.  
 Bible School, 11 a. m.  
 Gilmore Christian Youth, 6 p. m. Young people from 7th grade up are urged to attend these meetings and participate in the various projects.  
 Evening Worship, 7.30 p. m.  
 Wednesday, 7 p. m., Bible Study.

Thursday, 7 p. m.--North-Central School of the Bible at Barryton. Three more sessions to go.

Friday, 3.30 p. m.--"Let's Spread the Gospel" party. Those in the first to fifth grades are invited to Carl Carr's home after school to make valentines with a Christian message. Come and bring red and white construction paper and any other material needed. Parents pick up your children by 5.30. Call Betty Wysong or Barbara Carr for details.

Saturday, 2.30 p. m.--Junior Youth Rally at Vestaburg. We will leave the church at 1.45. Meet at Coker's corner in Farwell at 1:30. Let's go win back that plaque.

Saturday, 5 p. m.--Senior Youth Group progressive dinner. We must know who is planning to go so we can tell the hostess.  
 Feb. 6, 6.30 p. m.--Men's Fellowship meets at Alma. We will need to know this week just who is going so we can notify the Alma church.

Four members of the Senior

Youth Group sang at the Ardis Rest Home Tuesday after school.

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**WEIDMAN METHODIST**  
 Rev. Williams Reynders, Pastor  
 The monthly meeting of the Deerfield Center Woman's Society of Christian Service was canceled last Thursday, Jan. 26, because of the storm. It was held this week Tuesday, Jan. 31, at 1.30 at the home of Mrs. Leonard Ball.

The McArthur Circle of the Weidman Woman's Society of Christian Service will meet in the church Thursday, Feb. 2, at 2.30 p. m. The word is "Righteous". Mrs. Ben Bailey will be in charge of the worship, and Mrs. Wm. Louisell will serve refreshments.

Choir practice will be Thursday evening at 7 p. m.

The Official Board of the Weidman church will meet in the church Monday, Feb. 6, at 8 p. m.

The Esther Circle of the Weidman church will meet in the home of Mrs. Richard Donley on Monday, Feb. 13, at 8 p. m.

The United Church Women will sponsor a World Day of Prayer service in the First Presbyterian Church in Mt. Pleasant Friday, Feb. 10, at 1.30 p. m.

**Obituary****JOSEPH J. NEUBECKER**

Joseph J. Neubecker died last Thursday, Jan. 26, at the Isabella County Medical Care Facility in Mt. Pleasant. He was born Feb. 2, 1912, in Nottawa, and was a lifelong resident.

Funeral services were held at 11 o'clock Saturday morning, Jan. 28, at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Beal City, with Father Edward Neubecker officiating. Burial was in the church cemetery. Rosary services were held Friday evening at the Rush Funeral Home in Mt. Pleasant.

Mr. Neubecker is survived by his wife, Vera; three sons, William, Raymond and Robert, all at home; seven daughters, Rose Ann, Jane, Margie, Kathy and Julie, all at home; Mrs. Carol Wernette of Weidman, and Mrs. Mary Paisley of Mt. Pleasant; his father, Bernard Neubecker; 10 grandchildren, and other relatives, and a host of friends.

The family have the sympathy of the entire community.

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**Obituary****OSCAR PLUMTON**

Oscar Plumton died last Thursday, Jan. 26, at the age of 90, in Community Hospital in Big Rapids, after a long illness.

He had been a resident of the Sherman City area for the past 72 years, and had many friends.

Funeral services were held Sunday, Jan. 29, in the Daggett Funeral Home in Barryton, with Larry Beard officiating. Burial

was in the Flake Cemetery near Barryton.

Mr. Plumton was born Oct. 4, 1876, in Brighton, Ont.

He is survived by his wife, May; one son, Malcolm Plumton, of Barryton; four daughters, Mrs. Erma Conley of rural Lake, Mrs. Cecil Decator of Midland, Mrs. Dorothy Nestrict of Pontiac, and Mrs. Ruth Gilbert of Barryton; and 10 grandchildren, eight great-grandchildren, and one brother, Alex, of Seattle, Wash.

The family have the sympathy of all.

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**N. Broomfield**

Maycie Cook, Reporter

**BROOMFIELD CHURCH FOLKS ENJOY SOCIAL EVENTS**

A family dinner was enjoyed by several members of Zion Lutheran Church Sunday after services at 10.30, the usual hour.

Monday evening the Youth Group of Remus and Broomfield enjoyed their meeting in the church basement. Lunch was served.

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Mr. and Mrs. Richard Lueder were Tuesday afternoon visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Gail Strong of Elwell.

Mrs. Nettie Crowley and brother, Jay Leinaar, spent Wednesday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Paul Lueder.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Gostola and family of Mt. Pleasant spent Sunday with their mother, Mrs. E. Rhode, and Harold.

Mrs. Nettie Crowley and Maycie Cook visited Herman Cook Thursday afternoon.

Mrs. Glee Krueger was working at the school this week.

Roderick Nicholson was a Saturday evening supper guest of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Hines.

Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Perkins and baby of Mt. Pleasant were Friday evening dinner guests of their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Lueder.

Mrs. Robert Cook has been serving on jury duty at court in Mt. Pleasant this past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Strong had as Sunday callers, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Eldred of rural Remus, and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Lueder. Mrs. Strong expected to go to the U. of M. Hospital at Ann Arbor on Tuesday, for further treatment of her eye.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Schafer and children were Sunday evening guests of her mother, Mrs. Glee Krueger.

Mr. and Mrs. Orves Cook were Sunday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Bergquist of Mt. Pleasant.

Mrs. Robert Cook called on her sister, Miss Mary Richardson, who is very ill at the Tri-County Hospital at Edmore.

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Thursday, Friday, Saturday

February 2nd, 3rd & 4th

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## Beal City

Dora Smith, Reporter

Mrs. Walter Faber is in the Ann Arbor hospital for tests of the heart system. We wish you good luck.

Guests at the Joe Pung home last Tuesday evening, to celebrate his birthday, were Mr. and Mrs. Allen Tilmann, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Pung, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Pung and children, and Ray Pung and children.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Schmidt are back from Florida. They had a wonderful trip.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Schafer spent Monday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Tony Schafer.

Miss Jill Johnson of Mt. Pleasant called on Mrs. Effie Schafer Thursday.

Walter Schafer of Mt. Pleasant called on his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tony Schafer, Wednesday.

Billy Smith returned home from the hospital Saturday noon, after being there two months. He is feeling much better, and his leg is healed up nicely.

Mr. and Mrs. Art Profrock and family of Reed City spent Sunday afternoon with Louise Smith, their grandmother. They also called on Billy Smith.

Mrs. Kate Fox of Mt. Pleasant is staying with Mrs. Clara Fox in Beal City.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Trowbridge of Bay City are the proud parents of a baby boy, born Jan. 29. They are calling him William, Jr.

Mrs. Leo Gross spent the weekend at her home here, from her work in Mt. Pleasant.

Mrs. Louise Schafer spent the weekend at her home. She is working in Mt. Pleasant.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Schafer spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Joe Pung.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Theisen received word of the death Friday of her uncle, Harold Buck, in Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Blasen went to Bay City Saturday to pick up their granddaughter, Deana Trowbridge.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Moss and Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Schafer of Mt. Pleasant spent Sunday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Tony Schafer.

Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Finnerty of Mt. Pleasant spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Pung.

## Local Items

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Reynolds and Ethol Wright of Pontiac were last Tuesday callers of Mrs. Bertha Clark.

Blanche Cliff and Beth Jackson were Saturday evening dinner guests of Edith Pingatore at Rosebush. Ione Drallette and daughter, Lynn, were also guests.

Mrs. Bertha Gross entered CMC Hospital Sunday, with surgery expected probably Wednesday of this week. Good luck, Bertha!

## WEST Nottawa

Helen Alwood, Reporter

### PINK AND BLUE SHOWER FOR MRS. NORMAN VOGEL

Mrs. Jerry Vogel was hostess at a pink and blue shower for Mrs. Norman Vogel Sunday afternoon at her home.

Games were played, and a lovely time was had by all who were able to attend.

A beautifully decorated cake with blue booties on it, and a jello dessert were served by the hostess. The honored guest received lovely gifts for baby Terry.

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Our deepest sympathy to the family of Joe Neubecker. Joe had been very ill since last August. He will be greatly missed by his lifelong friends, and his relatives, in this area.

Relatives of Mary Schafer of Fowler have been hearing from her recently, along with some colored pictures of her and her family. Mary is staying with her daughter, Joyce, in Lansing. She has been able to go to see her husband, Joe, at the Corunna Rest Home. Joe is about the same.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Pohl visited at the Richard Pohl home Sunday evening, and enjoyed some card playing, after several days of being snowed in.

Many from this area attended the funeral of Joe Neubecker Saturday morning at St. Joseph's Church in Beal City. Snow plows kept plowing the roads so people could get out and then back home after the funeral.

Linda and Eddie Halfman spent Monday afternoon with Mrs. Helen Alwood and Cathy.

Not much news this week. Everyone was stormed in and was just getting plowed out the first of the week.

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## Nottawa

Amelia Wieber, Reporter

A baby girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. Ed Faber of Shepherd last Wednesday, Jan. 25, at the Mt. Pleasant hospital. She weighed six pounds, 12 ounces. Mrs. Faber's mother, Mrs. Joe Wawersik, and Mrs. Dale Wawersik visited her at the hospital Wednesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Martin and Mr. and Mrs. John Reihl spent Wednesday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. John Faber, and had dinner with them. They enjoyed the visit very much. Mrs. Faber has not been feeling very good. She went to Mt. Pleasant to see her doctor Monday. He said it was nerve trouble.

Regina and Walter Wieber spent last week Tuesday and Wednesday with their sister and family, the Elden Doerfers, of Port Huron. They said they had a very nice visit together.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Pasch

spent Sunday afternoon with her folks, the John Fabers.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Faber entertained their club Saturday evening. They all enjoyed it very much.

Mrs. Ed Faber and baby came home from the hospital Sunday. Her mother, Mrs. Joe Wawersik, is spending a few days with the Ed Fabers in Shepherd.

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### TOPS CLUB HERE CHANGES MEETING DATE

The Weidman chapter of the TOPS Club has changed its meeting date, from Tuesday evenings to Monday evenings, in the Home Ec room of the Weidman School, at 7 p. m.

We have a Queen each week, and a Queen each month.

Our first Queen was Jeanne Smith, with a loss of 15 1/4 pounds. Our second was Bessie Allen, with a loss of six pounds. These weight losses were accomplished in one week's time. They were done safely, which is the object of the club.

We were all very happy that there were no gains this week.

Jeanne Smith brought in a cute pair of bloomers at Monday evening's meeting this week, of extra large size. They had a pig embroidered on one leg, and every time a girl gains she must embroider her name on the pig. Also anyone who has a gain has to have a written excuse from her husband.

We have divided the club into two teams, to see who can lose the most in two months. One team is called "The Dizzy Dozen," and the other "The Corset Busters."

We also elected an entertainment chairman at Monday evening's meeting, Loretta Blevins, of Weidman. We also elected co-reporters, Pauline Branson and Joan Burden.

We have a roll call of 21, and ladies who are interested, please feel free to come and see what goes on at TOPS Club meetings.

Our next meeting will be Monday evening, Feb. 6, weigh-in time 7 p. m., at the Home Ec room at the Weidman School.

Joan Burden, Reporter.

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**S.W. Sherman**

**Goldie Dutcher, Reporter**

Mrs. Catherine McDaniels was in Lansing Monday on business. She called on Mrs. Kathy Tabor while there.

Jennie McDaniels went into the CMC Hospital Thursday and had her tonsils removed. She came home late Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher called on Mr. and Mrs. John Hibberd Monday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Beutler and daughter and Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Johnston and family of Rosebush visited Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Beutler Sunday afternoon.

George Woodin called on the Ervin Dutcher, Jr., family Wednesday. He was a Sunday dinner guest of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Fitzgerald of Blanchard.

Mrs. Ronna Dutcher called on Mrs. Clayton Dutcher Monday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hines spent Wednesday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Beutler and daughter, Laurel, attended the wedding Saturday evening of Marian's cousin, Miss Elaine Kennicot, at the Midland Trinity Lutheran Church. Marian said the roads were not in too good a shape, coming home, but they made it. Midland had a lot more snow than we did.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dutcher and children and Mr. and Mrs. Dale Dutcher and Chris of Midland were Sunday dinner and supper guests of the Clayton Dutchers. Garry Dutcher and children and Dick Dutcher and Fred Cobe were supper guests. Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher spent the evening.

David, Karen, Becky and Kaye Dutcher were Friday overnight guests of their grandparents, due to the snow.

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**EAST**

**Coldwater**

**Esther Skinner, Reporter**

The Harold Skinners have their phone now, with a new number. It is 644-3332.

Mrs. Violet Wright called on Esther and Brenda Skinner last Thursday afternoon.

Mrs. Esther Skinner and Brenda, and Mrs. Elana Miller of Farwell called on the George Skinners in Weidman Monday afternoon.

Our roads were filled with snow during the big storm, but are plowed out pretty well now.

Bob Knox and son, Bill Novack, and friend of Edmore called on Harold Skinner Sunday morning, to fish on Littlefield Lake. Bob and Bill work with Harold in Edmore.

The Skinner children spent the weekend with their Grandmother Miller in Farwell. She came home with them Sunday to stay with Brenda while Esther sits on jury this week.

**NEWS NOTES**

Mr. and Mrs. George Looman of Cedar Springs were Sunday afternoon callers at the R.D. Sprague home. They reported they had much more snow down there than

we got here.

Rev. Lyle Elliott of Leaton was a Thursday afternoon caller of Mrs. Bessie Teall.

Cathy Wilcox spent over night at CMC Hospital last Monday,

returning home Tuesday. The little girl experienced a low-sugar reaction, but was fine after treatment.

**Messenger**  
BETTER THAN A LETTER

**MECOSTA-OSCEOLA  
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STATE OF MICHIGAN

**NOTICE  
OF  
Special ELECTION**

**TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that a Special Election will be held in said Intermediate District on **SATURDAY,**

**FEBRUARY 11, 1967**

from 7:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M., Eastern Standard Time, to vote on the following proposition:

"Shall the approved reorganization plan for a proposed local school district, composed of the present Barryton Rural Agricultural School, the Mecosta-Remus Consolidated School, the Weidman Community School, and the Fouts School, within the Intermediate District of Mecosta and Osceola Counties, Michigan, be adopted?"

**NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN** that the voting places for said Special Election will be as follows:

1. For those electors residing within the Barryton School District, in the Barryton Rural Agricultural School.
2. For those electors residing within the Mecosta-Remus School District, in the Remus School and in the Mecosta School.
3. For those electors residing within the Weidman School District, in the Weidman Community School.
4. For those electors residing within the Fouts School District, in the Fouts School.

THIS NOTICE IS GIVEN BY AUTHORITY OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE  
**Mecosta-Osceola Intermediate School District**

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Dated: January 25, 1967

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Secretary, Board of Education.

**NorthWeidman**

Elvah Gott, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Chel Latham and family were dinner guests Sunday at the Gerald Latham home.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Blodgett took Mrs. Ethel Bywater to Barryton Sunday to attend the funeral of Oscar Plumton of near Sherman City.

Mrs. Roy Adams missed a day and a half of work at the State Home, with ear infection.

Mr. and Mrs. Adams called on his brother, Charles Adams, of Clare, Wednesday, when Ella went to her doctor.

Carol Abbott, Helen Alwood and Cathy, Muriel Miller and Debbie and Elvah Gott attended Fellowship meeting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jay Denslow last Wednesday evening. A lovely lunch was served.

Mrs. Mary Groves graduated from clerk-typing school last week in Grand Rapids, and will work in Mt. Pleasant.

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**Central Gilmore**

Mary Helen Pitts, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. James Pitts and Mr. and Mrs. Egbert Fordyce attended a World War I veterans' meeting Sunday at Clare.

Gary Seymour arrived home from New York Sunday, after being in the Navy three years. Welcome home, Gary!

Mr. and Mrs. James Pitts were Monday dinner guests of the Bernard Pitts family. They also called on the George Skinners while in Weidman.

Mr. and Mrs. George Getchel and family were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Elwyn Pitts and family.

Mr. and Mrs. James Pitts visited at the Ardis Rest Home Sunday, to see Lola Graham, Bertha Colosky and Emma Perry.

Mr. and Mrs. Egbert Fordyce were dinner guests of Mrs. Bernice Cook Tuesday. Wednesday they attended a Senior Citizens' meeting at Farwell, then visited at the Ardis Rest Home.

Mrs. Thelma Renner is still a patient at the Midland Hospital. We hope she is able to return home soon.

Mr. and Mrs. Vaness Cook and Mr. and Mrs. John Mullet and family of Mt. Pleasant helped Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Phillips celebrate their anniversary Sunday.

There is not much news. The residents of Gilmore should give Don Seymour a big Thank You for his efforts in trying to keep the roads open and the blacktops cleaned off this winter.

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Frank Tvorik was taken by ambulance last Wednesday to CMC Hospital after blacking out while at his work in the Weidman Community School. He was released, but was admitted Saturday as a patient. His condition was listed as good Tuesday morning, according to hospital personnel.

**West Gilmore**

Lena Cole, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Swan were callers Monday of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Cole. Mrs. Helen Wardwell and Mrs. Hilda Sampson and daughter were supper guests.

John Laverty was business calling in this neighborhood Tuesday.

Paul Cole was another lucky fisherman, getting a nice pike Monday and one on Tuesday, of last week. This makes nine for Paul since Jan. 13.

Martin Boger visited his cousin, Mrs. Charlotte Hart, Tuesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Julius Allbee of Clare spent Tuesday evening with her sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Cole.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Kripa and daughter, Helen, and Richard Mahon of Mt. Pleasant had fish supper with Mr. and Mrs. Paul Cole Wednesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Worth and family visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Worth, of Chipewa Lake Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Payton Geasler of Barryton visited his brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Martin Boger, and brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Geasler, last Tuesday.

Saturday visitors of Mrs. Charlotte Hart were her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Harold McCullum, of Paris, and her niece and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Pete Young, and two sons, of Evart.

Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Cole were her sisters, Mrs. Helen Wardwell, Mrs. Hilda Samson and Patti, Mrs. Coranna Shaner and four children, and Mr. and Mrs. Dan Kripa and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Mahon.

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**Local Items**

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Wilson and Mrs. Pat Hathaway were Sunday afternoon and supper guests of Mrs. Nina Forbes.

Mrs. Flossie Davy was discharged from CMC Hospital last Thursday, and was spending some time with her daughter and family in Howell.

Mr. and Mrs. Marion Johnson and daughter, Nancy, of Deerfield Center were Sunday dinner guests of the Ralph McCreight family.

Rev. and Mrs. Elliott of Rosebush called on Mrs. Emily Wood last Thursday. Ray Kirvan of Big Rapids was a Friday visitor. Harry Dent stayed with his grandmother Friday and Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Losey were callers of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Wilcox last Thursday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Dick Curtis were also guests.

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

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# Editor's Column

By Connie  
(Continued from Page 1)

items on Page 3? Let's look at them:

**WHERE WILL WE BUILD?**  
"Located at a near central point of the consolidation. . . . " What does that tell you? Exactly nothing.

**HOW SOON WILL WE BUILD?**  
"As soon as the needs of the newly consolidated district are known. . . ."

Does that tell you how soon we would build? It tells you nothing.

**WHERE WILL THE CHILDREN IN GRADES K-8 ATTEND SCHOOL?**  
"As much as possible in an existing school." As much as possible. What does that mean?

**HOW FAR WILL THE CHILDREN BE TRANSPORTED?**  
"As short a distance as possible. . . ." No comment.

And the answer to the next, **WHAT WILL BE DONE WITH THE EXISTING SCHOOL BUILDINGS?** is a masterpiece of pedagogical obscurity. It tells you exactly nothing.

And next, still on Page 3, the facilities to be included in the proposed high school: We repeat, these school boards can honestly promise you nothing, because they will be disbanded if the consolidation is voted in. Their laborious plans for "26 Teaching Stations" with subjects listed, are wasted work, for they will have no power to implement them if we consolidate.

Now let's turn to Page 4. **HOW WILL THIS PROPOSED BUILDING BE FINANCED?**

"By a bond issue of approximately \$2,250,000 (two and a quarter million dollars) to be repaid over a period of 26 years." It goes on to say that the proposed consolidated district will have a valuation of \$26,000,000 and a tax of 6 mills will cover the cost.

But let's look at this again. Six mills on \$26,000,000 comes to \$156,000 per year. Multiply this by 26 years and you get a total of \$4,056,000 total pay-out by the taxpayers for a two and a quarter million dollar school.

We urge you to do this multiplying yourself, on the school boards' own figures. It's not a two and a quarter million dollar school they're speaking of, it's a four million, fifty-six thousand dollar school.

We wind this up (finally!) with our own experience in dealing with Big-Big district efficiency. We received copy for the election advertisement appearing in this issue, with a note from Earl F. Lickert, Deputy Superintendent of the Mecosta-Osceola Intermediate School District. Mr. Lickert said, to the Weidman Messenger,  
"Please print this in the February

2nd and 9th issues of the Barryton Press."

No comment. ---0---

## Coldwater Lake

Marjorie Schafer, Reporter

Beal City parent-teacher conference was held last Monday. Mrs. Edward Schafer and son, Robert, enjoyed lunch with Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Schafer Monday.

Callers at the Edward Schafer home Monday were Walt and Della Wischmeyer and Doyle McDonald, all of Mt. Pleasant.

Frank and Alice Dorr of the Coldwater Lake Bar are busy remodeling this winter. The Town and Country at Beal City has also been remodeled by the owners, Larry and Shirley Egbert, this winter.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Schafer called on Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Schafer Saturday morning in Beal City, and on Mr. and Mrs. Otto Klumpp in Shepherd, in the afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Gross, Mr. and Mrs. Don Pung and Mr. and Mrs. Edward Schafer enjoyed a few games of cards with Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Smith Saturday evening.

Mrs. Betty Klumpp and children of Mt. Pleasant and Mr. and Mrs. Edward Schafer and boys enjoyed a steak dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Robert Klumpp and children in Beal City Sunday.

Beal City schools were closed Friday because of the snow storm. Jerry Joe was busy a couple of days, plowing snow for the neighbors around the lake.

Mrs. Harry Smith went to Lansing and was snowed in there for a few days. Her husband went down and got her Sunday.

Marvin Reed went to Saginaw last week to visit his daughter and family, Mrs. Clare Near, and was unable to return because of the storm. They had 23 inches of snow there. He called the Schafers Monday, saying he would be staying for a couple more days.

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## Local Items

Rev. and Mrs. Carl Allen and children of Lansing spent Sunday night and Monday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alton Allen.

Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Johnston and Nancy and Grant of Rosebush were Sunday afternoon callers of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Beutler. Mr. and Mrs. Beutler spent the evening with their son, James, and family.

Mrs. Lois Jarrett of Mt. Pleasant spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Howard Bywater.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Hamilton of Lake were Sunday evening guests of the Gene McArthur family.

Mrs. Shirley Van Tassel of Marshall is spending the winter with her father, Lew Frantz.

## In the Editor's Mail

Dear Editor:

Two copies of your very interesting newspaper have arrived, and are very interesting.

My sister-in-law, Mrs. Vina Bailey, says you have no "Golden Age" club in your locality.

I belong to the Findlay (O.) "Golden Age" (over 65), and also to the Home League, a group who make cancer pads for the Cancer Society, make quilts, sew carpet rags for the retarded adult young people, who make rugs to sell. Also three days each year we go to a modern camp in a forest a few miles from Cincinnati.

Home League is a women's group. We have Family Night once a month.

I am enclosing a check for the remainder of the year's subscription.

My father was Rev. William Switzer. Many may remember Arnold Gregory, a hero of World War I. Arnold and Cecile, his wife, called me one day and I went to their hotel. We had a very nice visit.

Arnold died a few years ago, but Cecile and I have kept up our correspondence. We are planning a get-together when I am through working on this case. She lives in Cleveland.

It is like a nice spring day today (Jan. 23). Last week it was very cold, though we have

had so very little snow.

Thank you for a very interesting newspaper.

(Mrs.) Gertie Switzer Vanlue  
130 Locust St.  
Findlay, O. 45840  
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(Editor's Note: Barney and Frances Tranbarger received the following letter from a little girl who apparently read about Mackie's death, in the Messenger last week. We think her sympathy as expressed in this letter is worth a place in this week's paper.)  
Dear Friends:

I am sorry about your dog dying because I know how it feels.

My little 5 month old puppy got killed by a car in Oct. Mom and Daddy got me another one, he got killed Sunday night in the street. He was 5 months old too.

I am heartbroken, and know how it is.

Michelle Bauw  
Grand Rapids  
7 yrs. old.  
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## Local Items

Ward Dell was reported as fine, the first of the week, in the tb hospital at Saginaw. Ward went there for examination after a hard bout with flu, but it was found he did not have tb. He was expected home any time.

Mildred Ruegsegger of Mt. Pleasant was a last Tuesday luncheon guest of Vina Bailey. Douglas Shepherd of Deerfield was a Thursday luncheon guest.

BETTER THAN A LETTER

Feb. 1 through 7

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