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Editor's Column

By Connie

LAKE DEVELOPERS STUNNED BY COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION'S REPORT

Isabella County lake developers were stunned last week by a report from the County Planning Commission setting minimum area of lake lots at 200x200 feet. Present minimum lot area is 60x150 feet.

"This will wreck all lake development in Isabella County," one contractor said glumly. "It will bankrupt several lake developers now in the process of making recreational lake areas."

Developers were working for a meeting with Township Supervisors this week, as the Planning Commission's report is scheduled to be put before the Board of Supervisors April 11.

The Planning Commission has used \$10,000 of Isabella County tax monies, plus other monies from grants, to pay the urban planning company of Bagley & Associates of Grand Rapids for a survey and master plan for rural Isabella County.

THIS HAPPENS TO ALL NEWSPAPER PUBLISHERS, SOONER OR LATER

Once or twice a year nearly every publisher experiences what we in the trade call "a stinker issue."

We feel ours occurred week before last.

According to a news item in the Nottawa News, we gave our former high school printer-apprentice boy, Bob Gross, a wife, two children, and a home in Cincinnati.

Sorry, Bob. We have to take 'em all back now, and place them where they belong, in the life of Don Gross, the baseball player.

Bob is a sports writer on the Lansing State Journal, and we're real proud of him. He started as printer's devil on the Weidman Messenger, graduated from the Weidman High School and the Messenger and got a job as a printer (makeup man) on the Mt. Pleasant Times-News. Shortly there was an opening in the sports writing section and Bob got it.

Bob was always an avid sports fan and player, and he became sports editor on the Mt. Pleasant paper.

Then he graduated from that and landed on the State Journal. He is still a bachelor, we understand. And a good sports writer.

Our congratulations to Don.



SPRING IN MICHIGAN, 1967--Tuesday morning, March 21, Spring came to Weidman with a snowfall of over six inches of new white stuff and little indication of immediate softening of the weather. We can only hope that by the time you read this paper, it may be gone. That's March in Michigan.

TRAGEDY WHEN PLANE CRASHES IN FARM FIELD

Tragedy came to the Beal City area Saturday afternoon when a light plane crashed on takeoff from a farm field two miles south of Beal City, killing one and critically injuring the other occupant of the plane.

Killed was Alvin D. Barnes of Roscommon. Robert Meyers, his companion, was injured. He is also from Roscommon. He has been in CMC Hospital during the week.

The two young men had spent the day visiting the Bernard Smith family. Mr. Barnes was the fiancee of Miss Mary Smith.

Witnesses said the crash appeared to result from a stall and tailspin of the Piper J-3 plane which had been converted to a PA-11 light two-place craft.

The plane struck a tree as it came to the ground, observers said.

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FIREMEN'S AUCTION SALE DATE CHANGED TO APRIL 15

The White Elephant Auction Sale sponsored by the Weidman Volunteer Firemen has been changed from April 8 to April 15, it was announced this week.

It will be held at the same place, Weaver's Village Inn, at the same time, Saturday night, beginning at 7.30, but on April 15--don't forget the date.

Still to be sold are many valuable and desirable items. Plan to attend this second auction by the Firemen, proceeds to go toward purchase of a resuscitator for this area.

BETTER THAN A LETTER

WEIDMAN MUST BUILD SEWAGE DISPOSAL PLANT WITHIN FIVE YEARS

According to a ruling by the Isabella County Planning Commission, set up a couple of years ago by the Board of Supervisors, the village of Weidman, unincorporated, will be forced to lay sewer lines on every street and build a disposal plant, within the next five years.

The sewer system is estimated at \$300,000 for the town, and at \$80,000 for a lagoon disposal area.

The sewer system will be mandatory for use by all Weidman residents, and will be paid out of new taxes levied on Weidman property.

Each property owner will pay in added taxes for each foot of land crossed or adjacent to the sewage lines.

Weidman, being unincorporated, will pay this cost without county, state and township tax-money it would have had as an incorporated village.

Weidman is third on the list of county towns designated for mandatory sewage disposal plants in Isabella County.

Weidman property owners were jittery last week over this news, coming as it does on the heels of school millage and bonding proposals soon to come before voters.

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Mr. and Mrs. Ralph McCreight and children spent the weekend with his mother, Mrs. Florence McCreight, in Midland. Ralph left Monday morning for a work assignment in Colorado and Idaho.

Men in Uniform

RUSTY ALWOOD TALKS FROM VIET NAM, TO THE DELIGHT OF HIS FOLKS

Marine Pfc. Russell Alwood (Rusty) talked with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Don Alwood, Tuesday morning at 11 o'clock our time. Needless to say, the Weidman Alwoods were delighted and thrilled to hear Rusty's voice "as if he was here in town," his mother, Helen, told the Messenger later.

The connection was made possible by co-operation of a ham radio operator, the Alwoods understood to be in Viet Nam.

This is the first we have heard of any serviceman calling his family direct from Viet Nam. Don and Jimmy Alwood were home with flu, and were glad of it, when Rusty's call came. They talked with Rusty, and felt practically cured of their flu bugs afterward, they said.

The family had just finished reading a letter from him when the telephone call came through.

Rusty is with the 7th Motor Transport Battalion, U. S. Marines.

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WILLARD SEARLES STARTS WORK ON LAKE WEIDMAN DEVELOPMENT PROJECT

Willard Searles, St. Johns developer, returned to Weidman Saturday and put some of his big machine to work on development of Lake Weidman (the old Weidman Mill Pond).

New plat printings were distributed among land owners in the tract. The project is a large and exciting deal for the whole town, and land owners were jubilant at the resumption of activity.

The new plat is very impressive, showing the entire lake area. It shows over 400 lots to be available lays out the entire lake area on one sheet, portraying 400 lots to be available.

Searle has said he will complete development on Lake Weidman this spring. This will be good news not only for land-owners in that area but for fishermen who remember the Weidman Mill Pond as the best fishing area in the state.

Fed by the Coldwater River out of Littlefield Lake, there will be plenty of fish in Lake Weidman, it is confidently believed, from the start.

While it will be a private lake, the Weidman Business Association has been promised a waterfront lot which it will hold open to the public for swimming and fishing.

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HOME PAPER FOR THE WEST HALF OF ISABELLA COUNTY

Around Horr

Jessie Rosencrantz, Reporter

Callers at the Charlie Losey home last week included Shari Losey, Lanna Bowen, Mrs. Eva Denslow, Alma White, and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Losey.

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Lawrence and Mr. and Mrs. George Merrihew were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Garth Lawrence and Pam of Midland.

Mr. and Mrs. Benn Johnson attended a Farm Bureau meeting at the Carl Beutler home Tuesday evening of last week.

The officers of the County Farm Bureau met with Mrs. Carol Johnson Monday of this week, to plan the program for the coming year.

Callers during the week at the Howard Wood home were Clyde Beutler, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Miller, Vance and Kate Wood, and Mrs. Emily Wood. Sunday dinner guests were Mr. and Mrs. Pete Wood and Beth Lynn, Mike and Wendy, Pammy Hewlett of Mt. Pleasant, Doug Sears of Kansas, Steve Mead, Bob Bergquist, Athel Wright, and Mrs. Martha Pote. Mrs. Pote remained for a few days' visit.

George Peacock of Davison spent the weekend with his sisters, Mrs. Margaret Denslow and Mrs. Floyd Miller. Sunday dinner guests of Mrs. Denslow were Mr. and Mrs. Gary Denslow of Lansing, the Keith Baker family of Grand Rapids, and Mr. and Mrs. Dean Denslow and family.

Mrs. Nina Green and son, Terry, and Mrs. Bessie Mercer of Grand Rapids were Sunday guests of Mrs. Eva Denslow.

Mrs. Deborah Benn, Mrs. Ellen Thompson and Mrs. Betty Thompson attended a White Breakfast at the Weidman Methodist Church last Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Benn attended the Rebekah-Oddfellow Association Saturday evening at the Oddfellow Hall in Weidman.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Oplinger attended NFO meetings at Mt. Pleasant from Thursday through Monday of this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Dent spent last Monday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Miller.

Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Johnson and children and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Krueger and children spent Saturday evening with their parents, the Gerald Dents, enjoying ice cream and cake, to celebrate their father's birthday.

Larry Dent spent Saturday afternoon with Harry Dent, and Harry Dent Sunday evening with Larry.

Mrs. Violet Oplinger spent Tuesday through Thursday with her daughter and family, the Dennis Tianis, at Dearborn.

Mrs. Dean Denslow spent Saturday with her mother at the Mt. Pleasant hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Benn were Sunday dinner guests of the Benn Johnson family.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Jackson

and family and Bob Gross were Sunday dinner guests of the Gerald Loseys.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Thompson attended a milk meeting at the Pantlind Hotel in Grand Rapids Saturday evening. Bob and Bill spent the evening with their cousins, at the Wilson home.

Mrs. Betty Thompson attended a Parent-Teacher meeting at Mecosta Wednesday evening.

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WEST

Nottawa

Helen Alwood, Reporter

ENTERTAIN TWENTY GRAND

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Block entertained the members of the Twenty Grand Club Friday evening.

Five Hundred was played, with high score going to Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Smith, and second high to Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hauck.

A delightful lunch was served by the hostess. Theme of the party was St. Patrick's Day.

ENTERTAIN THEIR CLUB

Mr. and Mrs. Herb Yuncker entertained their club Sunday evening. The next one will be in two weeks, at the home of Mrs. Lillian Johnston.

Miss Roselene Schafer entered CMC Hospital Monday for surgery for infection in her hip, which she broke last April.

Barry Ptak of Royal Oak came Saturday evening to spend a few days at the Don Alwood home. Barry is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ptak, owners of acreage on the new Lake Weidman development of Willard Searles. Barry has enlisted in the Air Force, and expects to be called to service in the near future.

The Don Alwood family have been suffering from sore throats and colds. Don was sick over the weekend, and Jim and Donnie missed school Monday.

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BEAL CITY BAIRNS MEET

The Beal City Bairns 4-H Club met Monday, March 13, at the Beal City High School.

A State Trooper from the Mt. Pleasant post gave an interesting talk on safety. About 40 members and three leaders were present.

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Local Items

Mrs. Ethel Smith of Remus spent Friday afternoon with Emily Wood. Mrs. Leon Haight and Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Dent and Harry spent Saturday afternoon with Mrs. Wood. Geroline Johnson was a Saturday caller.

Mrs. Eva Denslow was a Friday caller at the Frank Gross home. Mrs. Harry Herman called Saturday. Mrs. Cross and daughter of Mecosta were Sunday guests.

Mrs. Emily Wood spent Sunday afternoon at the Howard Wood home in Horr.

N. Broomfield

Maycie Cook, Reporter

Mrs. Nettie Crowley spent the weekend and until Tuesday with her daughter and granddaughter and families in Detroit. The occasion was the christening of her great-grandson.

Mrs. E. R. Rhode spent Tuesday with Mrs. Anna Wilson of Mt. Pleasant.

Roderick Nicholson and Maycie Cook spent Friday with their sister, Mrs. Frances Handy, of Evart.

Keith and Kathy Krueger and Terry Lueder were the Confirmation Class confirmed at the Broomfield Lutheran Church on Palm Sunday morning.

Mary Ann Meyers spent several days with Connie Foster while her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Meyers, who have sold their farm here, were moving to Mt. Pleasant.

Mrs. E. Rhode and Harold were Sunday evening visitors of Mr.

and Mrs. Richard Stevens.

Mrs. Bob Cook called on Mr. and Mrs. Neal Richardson and Mary Friday.

Mrs. Glee Krueger entertained at a family dinner Sunday in honor of Keith and Kathy's Confirmation. About 60 relatives enjoyed the dinner, in the church dining rooms.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Lueder entertained at their home Sunday, in honor of Terry's Confirmation, for dinner and afternoon, several relatives and friends. Among them were Ralph Lueder and Sharon of St. Louis and Alma; Mr. and Mrs. Otto Lueder and Carl of Mt. Pleasant, Mr. and Mrs. John Starr and Dick of Saginaw, Mrs. E. Rhode and Harold, Mrs. Eda Van Zandt, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Lueder and Mrs. Dorothy Howell of Greenville.

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Jerry Yelland and mother, Mrs. Marie Scott, of Brinton were Saturday visitors at the Meryl Graham home. Jerry was a dinner guest.

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Mar 16t2p

FOR SALE--Easter Bunnies, live. All colors. Ph. 644-2282.

Mar16t2

FOR SALE--Great Lakes House Trailer, 8'x44'. Two bedrooms, bath. Clyde Emmons, four mi. west of Weidman, turn north on Sherman Rd., then west 1/2 mile, then north, to first three corners; first house on east side of road.

Mar23tf

HAY FOR SALE--Timothy with some clover. Contact Charles Voss, ph. 644-3679, located 6 miles east of Barryton on Coleman Road.

Mar. 23t2p

FOR SALE--Four boys' suits, size 8. Two are four-piece suits, black, just been dry-cleaned and like new. Two sport suits, good condition. Mrs. George McClain, Jr., Weidman, ph. 644-2155.

Mar16t1

Card Of Thanks

I wish to thank all our children for the lovely birthday dinners Friday and Saturday;
 The beautiful cakes, gifts, and money;
 Also the friends and neighbors for the nice cards and letters.
 They will forever be appreciated.

Veva Sheldon.

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NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the next Annual Township Meeting of the electors of the Township of Sherman will be held at the Sherman Township Hall Saturday, April 1, at 2 o'clock p.m.

All interested citizens of Sherman Township may attend.

Iola Miller
 Sherman Twp.
 Clerk.
 Mar. 23t2

Card Of Thanks

We wish to thank our relatives, neighbors and friends, for their many acts of kindness shown us during the sudden death of our loved one, Bernice Pierce.

Thanks to Rev. Reynders and Rev. Cook for their comforting words; the Crittenden Funeral Home, and pallbearers, for their assistance; and the ladies of the church for the lunch.

Our deep appreciation to each and every one.

Mr. Ray Pierce
 Mr. and Mrs. Ron Kushion
 And Kimberly
 Mrs. Catherine Johnson
 Mr. and Mrs. Robert Van Ness
 And Family
 Mr. and Mrs. Tom Powell
 And Family
 Mr. and Mrs. Howard Johnson
 Mr. and Mrs. Fey Johnson
 And Family
 Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Johnson
 And Family
 Mr. and Mrs. Charles Johnson
 And Family

BETTER THAN A LETTER

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., adult choir practice.

Friday, 1.30 p.m., Good Friday observance at the Weidman Methodist Church. Some from our congregation will be participating.

Mr. Getchell has been directing the music for the revival meeting at the Mt. Pleasant Church of Christ every night this week.

Friday evening there will be a pot-luck supper at the church. Mr. and Mrs. Ted Murray, missionaries from Mexico, will be guests, and will show pictures and talk of their work there. They have a children's home with 54 children to care for. Supper is at 6.30 p.m., with the program at 7.30.

Mrs. Doris Woodard is in University Hospital, Ann Arbor. Her address is 8 E., % Hospital, Ann Arbor.

Attendance at Wednesday Bible Study, 64. At Sunday School, 125. At Worship Service, 185.

WEIDMAN METHODIST
 Rev. Williams Reynders, Pastor
 There will be no well child clinic in the Weidman church this Thursday. It will be held next Thursday, March 30. The doctors are unable to be present March 23.

Thursday, March 23, there will be a Maundy Thursday Holy Communion service in the Weidman Methodist Church for members and friends of the Deerfield Center and Weidman churches, at 7.30 p.m. There will be no choir practice this week for the Senior choir.

On Good Friday, March 24, there will be a Union Service in which the following five churches will participate: Weidman Baptist Church, Forest Hill Community Church, Gilmore Church of Christ, Deerfield Center and Weidman Methodist Church. This service will be held in the Weidman Methodist Church from 1.30 p.m. to 2.30. Rev. Stanley L. Spires will give the message, and others taking part are: Rev. Marvin M. Eldridge, Pastor Geo. V. Getchel, Rev. Williams P. Reynders, Mr. Leon McArthur, and Mr. George McClain, Jr. Anyone interested is cordially invited to attend this service.

Easter Sunday, March 26, there will be a Sunrise Service at 6.30 a.m. in the Deerfield Center church, with Mr. Dean Denslow

giving the message, and the Weidman Senior choir, the music. Following this, the Deerfield Center people will serve a breakfast at 7.30 a.m. The regular morning worship will be at 9.30 a.m. Morning worship will be at 11 a.m. in the Weidman Church. The Junior and Senior choirs will sing.

Tuesday, April 4, there will be a pot-luck supper at 6.30 p.m. in the Weidman church, followed by the Fourth Quarterly Conference of the church at 7.30 p.m.

The Methodist Men will meet in Lansing Saturday, April 1, for a state Laymen's meeting.

The annual White Breakfast was held at the Weidman Methodist Church Monday, March 13, at 9.30 a.m. Approximately 75 ladies were present, representing the following area churches: Rosebush, Center, Winn, Leaton, Deerfield, Evart, Remus, Barryton, Weidman and Forest Hill Community Church.

The committee for the breakfast included Mrs. Kenneth Saunders, Mrs. Williams Reynders and Mrs. Howard Beutler. The tables were set to form a cross, and decorated with yellow and brown crepe paper, daffodils, and pussy willows.

Mrs. Wm. Louisell welcomed everyone to our breakfast. The table grace was given by Mrs. Reynders. Mrs. Orrie Merrihew introduced her cousin, Dr. Robert Fleming, our guest speaker. Dr. Fleming, area superintendent of the United Medical Mission in Kathmandu, Nepal, spoke to us and showed beautiful slides of life in Nepal.

WEIDMAN BAPTIST
 Rev. Marvin Eldridge, Pastor
 Sunday School, 10 a.m.
 Church Service, 11 a.m.
 Evening Service, 7.30 p.m.
 Thursday, March 23, at 7.30 p.m., a missionary from Nigeria, West Africa, Ellis Howard, will be the speaker.

The Weidman Baptist Church, Gilmore Church of Christ, and the Forest Hill Community Church will have Good Friday services at the Weidman Methodist Church this Friday, March 24, at 1.30 p.m.

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BIRTHDAY PARTY FOR HALFMAN CHILDREN

Mrs. Charles Halfman was hostess at a birthday party Monday afternoon, honoring the birthday of her daughter, Linda, who is four years old, and her son, Eddie, who is three.

Games were enjoyed, and Mrs. Halfman served dinner to the children, featured by a beautiful birthday cake.

Mrs. Don Smith and daughter, Alice, were among the guests.

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HOME PAPER FOR THE WEST HALF OF ISABELLA COUNTY

Walker Creek News

Esther Stanley, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Dillenbeck spent the previous weekend at Grand Haven, visiting their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Louisell, Jr., and children.

Miss Janet Dillenbeck of Detroit was home for the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dent of Clare visited Mr. and Mrs. Donald Zill and family Sunday afternoon.

Sorry to hear that Mr. Zill is ill with inner ear infection.

Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Owen of Lake called on their daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Schrock, Sunday afternoon. Gilbert Schrock, Homer Teeter, Archie Powell and Virgil La Londe were fishing on Littlefield Lake over the weekend.

Mrs. Schrock and sister, Sandra Owen, visited Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Tetslaff of Big Rapids Sunday. Their nephews, Brian and Jeffrey, were spending the weekend there, and were glad to see their aunts.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Schrock and Mr. and Mrs. Otto Schrock of Littlefield Lake visited friends and did some shopping in Bay City Friday evening.

Wm. Uhl of Gladwin spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Schrock and family. Homer Teeter and Archie Powell visited at the Schrock home Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Beutler attended an OES Friends Night at the Masonic Hall in Shepherd Thursday evening.

Mrs. Lena St. John, Mrs. Queen Taylor of Mt. Pleasant, Mrs. Nina Forbes and Mrs. Dorothy Chaffee were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Boger Friday. The ladies are violet enthusiasts, and spent an enjoyable afternoon together.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Williams

of Northeast Clare visited Mrs. St. John Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Skalitzky were Sunday dinner guests of her sister, Mrs. Mildred De Vary, of Barryton.

Mr. and Mrs. Otis Conley visited Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Rodman of Lake Saturday evening. Vada said the oranges were delicious. The Rodmans brought them from Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. Conley were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Clark and Terri.

Mr. and Mrs. Hazen Thompson and Ralph and Mr. and Mrs. Keith Thompson and sons visited Manley Oliver and Mrs. Marguerite Coleman of Remus Sunday evening. Mr. Oliver, who is in his late 80s, will have a birthday soon, so was the honored guest for the occasion.

Mrs. Lyle Denslow called on Mr. and Mrs. Thompson Friday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Lou Gray are staying with the children of Mr. and Mrs. Loren Gray of Mt. Pleasant while the latter are on vacation in Florida. Ernest Gray is with his daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Ward Loomis, of Sherman City.

Mr. and Mrs. Max Kimball and family of Barryton, Mrs. Willard Denslow and Annette, Brenda and Julie, of Freeland, and Cheryl and Valerie Leiter were Sunday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Loomis.

Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Miller called on his mother, Mrs. Ethel McLean, Sunday afternoon. Mrs. McLean has caught the "ole flu bug." Hope to hear you have it conquered soon!

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Smoke of North Branch and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Monroe of Lapeer were Saturday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Monroe and Blaine.

Mr. and Mrs. Willis Finney and sons of Lansing and Mr. and Mrs. Ronald De Vries of Hersey were weekend guests of their parents,

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Denslow, and Denise. Mrs. Mabel Cummings and Mrs. Carol Baumgardner and children of Barryton were Sunday dinner guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Dosenberry visited his brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Dosenberry, and family, of Rodney, Sunday evening.

James Grady and Robert Kirvan were Sunday afternoon callers of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Emmons.

Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Loomis and family were Tuesday night visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Keith Loomis and daughters.

Mr. and Mrs. Loomis and girls were Saturday overnight and Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Peeper and sons of Lansing. They called on his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Loomis, en route home.

Mr. and Mrs. Adelbert Pung and Susan and Sandra of St. Johns and Mr. and Mrs. Donald Pung of Beal City were Saturday night guests of Mr. and Mrs. Russell Stanley. Sunday dinner guests were Mr. and Mrs. Adelbert Pung and daughters, David Moore, and Barry Thompson.

Mrs. Stanley and Mrs. Pung visited her brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Irwin, Jr., of Stevenson Lake in the afternoon.

They also called at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bud Shepherd of Clare, to visit with "Grandpa Irwin," who will be 90 in August.

Mrs. Doris Mitchell and daughter, Mrs. Larry Pilon, and four daughters of Midland were also guests at the Shepherd home, as were Robert Irwin of Florida and Lake, and their son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Vern Irwin, and the latter's son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Irwin, of Flint, so we were glad to see them.

We were very sorry to learn of the death of our cousin, Leonard Irwin, of Stevenson Lake. Our families were real close, and

have many happy memories of childhood days together.

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Two Rivers

Theresa Bunting, Reporter

Elton Bunting and children of Belding spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Oral Bunting.

Callie Bozer of Midland spent Friday afternoon with Sue Ward. Edith Smiley spent Thursday afternoon with Nettie Baker.

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Bugbee and Mildren Benson spent Sunday evening with Nettie Baker.

Theresa Bunting spent Wednesday afternoon with Gertrude Gross in Beal City.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Breuer of rural Mt. Pleasant spent Tuesday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Herman Martin.

Mr. and Mrs. Philip Mead of Mt. Pleasant spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Herman Martin.

Gerda Flaughner and children and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Flaughner spent Wednesday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Flaughner.

Jean Flaughner and children, and Doris Wilmot and Davy and Linda spent Thursday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Flaughner.

Minnie Flaughner, Doris Wilmot, Rosie Hogen, Laura Latham, Millie Voss and Steve and Stacey, Mr. and Mrs. John Sheldon, Jr., and Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Voss spent Saturday at the John Sheldon home in Weidman, and helped Mrs. Sheldon celebrate her birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Oral Bunting spent Sunday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Bollman.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Sweet and family spent Friday and Saturday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Harvey. Mr. and Mrs. John Harvey and family of Chippewa Lake were Saturday supper guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Harvey and Tom spent the weekend with the John Harveys at Chippewa Lake.

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Beal City Honor Roll

The following students of the Beal City High School were listed on the Honor Roll for the 4th marking period:

Sixth and Seventh Grades: Pamela Stevens, A; Kim Wilson, Mary Jane Kolarik, Jerry Deming, B.

8th Grade: Marilyn Breuer, A; Diane Clark, Rodney Deming, Kathleen Fox, Della Mathews, Vicki Schumacher, Joann Smith, Vicki Wischmeyer, B.

9th Grade: Brenda Brickner, A; Joyce Rau, Carla Schafer, B.

10th Grade: Jackie Andres, Christine Brickner, Marcie Deming, A; In Sung Oaks, Peggy Pohl, Margie Schafer, B.

11th Grade: Emilee Garrett, Beatrice Fox, Shirley Welch, A; Kathy Bierschbach, Betty Kremreiter, Marjorie Rau, B.

12th Grade: Eric Heikkila, Linda Quillen, Kenneth Schmidt, A; Kathy Block, Connie Fedewa, Pat Kavanaugh, Sharon Pasch, Linda Pohl, Viki Pohl, Janice Rau, Jean Schmidt, B.

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Beal City

Dora Smith, Reporter

NEW BABY

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Gross are the proud parents of a new baby girl, born March 18. She has been named Janice Catherine.

Mrs. Rita Dickson of Lansing was caring for the three other girls at home, Ruth Ann, Rose Marie, and Judy, while their mother was in the hospital.

Rudy Dickson and children spent the weekend with the Grosses, and Janet Dickson stayed to help Mrs. Gross this week.

Angeline Clare of Lansing is in Mt. Pleasant, at the Pleasant Manor home.

Mrs. Jeanette Miller and children of Mt. Pleasant called on her grandmother, Mrs. Louise Smith, Sunday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Jewel Gray of Manton spent Sunday with their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Blackford, in Beal City.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Killicut and family of Lansing spent the weekend with Charles Gross.

Paul Smith of Kentucky spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Trowbridge of Midland, and family, spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Ed Blasen and family.

Mrs. Leona Simmer and Mrs. Louise Schafer spent the weekend at their homes here.

Duane Huber of Mt. Pleasant spent Wednesday with Mrs. Clara Fox and Kate Fox.

Misses Regina and Leona Faber and Mrs. Ida Tilmann and two other ladies went to Edmore Wed-

nesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Rau spent Tuesday with Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Lawens in Mt. Pleasant.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Zeien and family had Sunday dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Louis Rau.

Mr. and Mrs. Gary Riggle and Lisa visited the Harold Schafers Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Riggle and girls visited Mr. and Mrs. Gary Riggles Tuesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Yuncker visited Mr. and Mrs. Gary Riggle Monday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Schafer and family of Mt. Pleasant spent last Thursday with Mrs. Rose Schafer.

Mrs. Mary Pantenburg went to New Bavaria, O., Sunday, for an extended visit with her daughter and family, the John Romas.

Mrs. Larry Egbert, Mr. and Mrs. Gary Riggle, Mrs. Norman Sebenick, Mrs. Kenneth Sebenick and Larry Sebenick, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Yuncker and Mrs. Jerry Yuncker attended the funeral of Harold Sebenick in Saginaw.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul H. Schafer and family of Hubbardston were Sunday dinner guests of his mother and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Keiffer.

Mrs. Clark, Mrs. Mabel Lynch and Mrs. Tony Schafer visited Mrs. Anna Eldred near Blanchard Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. Joe Pung entered the Midland hospital Monday for surgery. Her many friends wish her a speedy recovery.

A large number from here attended the basketball games last Thursday evening at Ferris. Friday and Saturday they also attended the state finals at Lansing, when Mt. Pleasant Sacred Heart won the championship in Class C. Congratulations!

Mr. and Mrs. Tony Schafer, Mrs. John E. Schafer, and Mrs. Kate Johnson and Mary Pantenburg were callers Tuesday afternoon at the Joe Tilmann home.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Kavanaugh, Mrs. Katie Johnson and Mr. and Mrs. Tony Schafer enjoyed a delicious fish supper at Coldwater Lake Friday evening.

Mrs. Mary Pantenburg had supper with Mrs. Effie Schafer Thursday.

Mrs. Alfred Klumpp of Mt. Pleasant spent Tuesday with Mr. and Mrs. Tony Schafer.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Schafer of Mt. Pleasant spent Monday evening with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tony Schafer. They left last Wednesday for Hawaii, where they expect to stay a month.

The Senior Citizens party last Thursday was well attended, with 12 tables of pepper in play. Will Appelgreen won the door prize. Mrs. Frank Engler and Joe Pung won high score prizes.

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Mr. and Mrs. Russell Wilson and Mrs. Pat Hathaway were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. s Nina Forbes, honoring the birthday of Mrs. Forbes' son, Alton Brien.

FARM BUREAU NEWS

Mary Beutler, Reporter Howard Quackenbush, president of the Isabella County Farm Bureau, announces the 1967 Michigan Farm Bureau Freedom Conference March 30, at Central Michigan University, Student Union Building.

The purpose of the Freedom Conference is to provide an opportunity for Farm Bureau members to understand, discuss, and be prepared to defend the American economic system.

Our speakers, Dr. Harry Love, a nationally known lecturer and discussion leader, and Ben Bennett, who stirs the emotions of many Farm Bureau members and gets them to speak out for the American way of life, will talk about this year's theme, "How Well Prepared Are You?"

Registration is at 9 a. m., and there is a fee of \$2.50 per person. The program starts at 10. Lunch is at noon, in the cafeteria, with adjournment at 4 p. m.

All Farm Bureau members and friends are urged to attend. The Isabella County Farm Bu-

reau Board of Directors announces a new provision exclusively for Farm Bureau members. A group accidental death and dismemberment insurance policy will be issued to the Isabella County Farm Bureau, covering all paid-up Farm Bureau members.

A member is any person to whom the County Farm Bureau has issued membership. His insurance will continue in force so long as he continues to pay dues in advance of Jan. 1 for each succeeding policy year.

Each member will receive a certificate of insurance in the near future, explaining the benefits and procedures to follow in placing claims.

A county-wide legislative seminar is planned for next month, with our Representatives and Farm Bureau legislative counsel in attendance. Pertinent issues such as Workman's Compensation will be discussed.

Watch for complete details -- this is one meeting you can't afford to miss!

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Central Gilmore

Mary Helen Pitts, Reporter

LADIES FELLOWSHIP MEETS

Thirty-two ladies were present at the Gilmore Ladies Fellowship when the March meeting was called to order by the president and hostess, Mrs. Edna Converse, with some thoughts on Hope, after which everyone recited the Lord's Prayer.

After a short business meeting, Mrs. Jean Renner led devotions, speaking on "What is expected of us as members of the Church of Christ." She also gave a demonstration, with two glasses of water and a fresh alka seltzer and one that was old and had lost its fizz, comparing it with the Christian who is working for Christ and the one who is willing to let someone else do the work.

A parade of ladies wearing their home-made Easter bonnets was enjoyed. They were made of useful things that could be used in the church basement, classrooms, nursery and kitchen. Prizes went to Alma Perry for the funniest, Lois Getchel for the prettiest, and Bernice Cook for the one with most things on it.

The next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Lois Getchel in April. The hostess, assisted by Mrs. Don Luce, served lovely refreshments of gelatin salad dessert and cookies.

Mrs. Agnes Fuller and Mrs. Harriet Baker attended church in Shepherd Sunday, for the first Sunday services in the beautiful new church. The Central Michigan Youth Rally also was held there.

Mr. and Mrs. James Pitts entertained Mr. and Mrs. Egbert Fordyce, Mr. and Mrs. Elwyn Pitts and family, Mrs. Alma Perry and Mrs. Ruth Pitts at supper Friday evening. It was Lola's birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Archie Fordyce were Monday supper guests of Egbert and Lola Fordyce.

Mr. and Mrs. Kendall Wood and family were Wednesday supper guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Wood.

Mr. and Mrs. Vaness Cook were guests of his son and family, Cleland, at their cabin near Eight Point Lake, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Mullet and family of Mt. Pleasant were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Phillips last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Pitts and family were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Dale Letson of Mt. Pleasant.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Phillips visited her brother, Wm. Kaninsky, at Broomfield Hospital, and also visited her sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Benn, of Shepherd.

Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Stevens of Sanford Lake and Mr. and Mrs. Bert Benotto and family of Saginaw visited Mr. and Mrs. Phillips

one day last week. Mrs. Benotto was one of the nurses who cared for Mrs. Lola Fordyce while she was in St. Mary's Hospital. She is Judy's niece.

Mr. and Mrs. James Pitts were supper guests of Mrs. Elaine Esterline and Larry Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lavern Perry and Mr. and Mrs. John Ireland of Midland were visitors in this area Sunday afternoon.

Gilmore Youth attended the Central Michigan Youth Rally at St. Louis last Monday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Vaness Cook entertained Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Phillips at a pancake supper Friday evening. After supper they enjoyed a ride, looking for deer, and were lucky to see 33 deer that survived the bad winter.

The winter birds are leaving and the spring birds are beginning to arrive. We saw a robin the other day in this area, and the deer are out in the wheat fields, and occasionally a warm breeze blows, all of which reminds us that maybe spring is just around the corner. We all hope so. It has been a long and hard winter.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Pitts and family, Mr. and Mrs. George Getchel, Miss Janet Goudie and Mr. and Mrs. Elwyn Pitts and family attended an all-night Hymn Sing at the I. M. A. Auditorium in Flint Saturday night.

Mrs. Lois Graham has been having some teeth pulled this week.

George Pitts planned to come home this week from the hospital.

Walter Faber entered Bay City General Hospital for surgery on his throat. Let's remember all the sick.

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WEIDMAN TOPS CLUB

The Weidman Hep TOPS Club met last week Tuesday evening, at the school, with weigh-in at 7 o'clock.

Two visitors were present, with six members absent, and a possible transfer from the Mt. Pleasant club.

Last week, when the tapes were cut, there were two "turtles" presented and three "pigs".

Three girls tied for Queen of the Week, with a four-pound loss each. Two girls tied for Princess, with both losing 6 1/2 pounds.

Total loss for the club last week was 55 1/2 pounds. Average weight loss of the month was six pounds, eight ounces. The Weidman was the second high in the state, with this average.

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NEWS NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. James Sutton and son of Ashley were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Sprague and family.

Mrs. Eva Denslow was a Thursday visitor of Mrs. Bessie Teall.

BETTER THAN A LETTER

Local Items

Mike Adams and Dan and Steve Leiter attended the state finalist basketball games in Lansing Saturday evening.

Mrs. Charles Knipfer of Lansing spent Friday night and Saturday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Goodrich.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Bailey and daughter of Gladwin and Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Butters of Lake City were Sunday afternoon visitors of Mrs. Vina Bailey. Supper guests were Audrey Flaughter and Mildred Rueggeger of Mt. Pleasant.

Mr. and Mrs. Levi Reed of St. Louis spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Leon Smith.

Sunday guests of Mrs. Vera Hagerman were Mrs. James Ryan and Mrs. Myra Stickle, of Mt. Pleasant.

Mrs. Howard Johnson of Yale spent several days last week with her mother-in-law, Mrs. Kit Johnson. All Mrs. Johnson's children were at her home for the funeral of their sister, Bernice Pierce.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Bywater and baby were Sunday dinner guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Bywater.

Robert Carroll and four children of Livonia spent Saturday night at the home of his mother, Mrs. Vada Carroll. They were on their way to a skiing resort in North Michigan.

Fred Cole of Mt. Pleasant was a Saturday caller of Mrs. Vada Carroll and Mrs. Emma Middlesworth.

Mrs. Jack Heron and daughter, Joyce, of Edmore were Sunday visitors of Emma Middlesworth and Vada Carroll.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Fox and boys spent Sunday in Travers City, visiting Mr. and Mrs. George Swoger.

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A FARMER PONDERS HIS DILEMMA

The time has come when I have got to make a tragic decision. I can't be ignorant. I must make it right. The decision is whether I should destroy my milk or whether I save it.

First, I think one of my best assets on a farm is good neighbors. If I don't throw my milk away, my neighbors would be provoked with me. It would be like moving my line fence onto his property, or, exactly as it is, it would be depriving him of getting what he feels is a decent price for his milk.

The important thing is the idea of a good neighbor in the country is needed much more than a neighbor in a city.

If I throw my milk away it is my business; and if I don't, it's his business. Destroying Nature's products is against her will. The same as a hen is proud of her new-laid egg, I was proud of the milk I produced.

I'm proud of my milk, just as the chicken is proud of her egg. To destroy my milk is not by

God's will, and it should be "on earth as it is in Heaven".

I have paid to advertise milk as a fine product for many years. Since the Government feeds oleo to our soldiers, I'm not quite so proud of my milk.

Sterling Oplinger

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REGULATIONS TIGHTEN ON NEW HOME SEWAGE SYSTEMS

Michael Simkins, sanitarian of the Central Michigan District Health Department, said this week that all new homes built in Isabella County will be under strict regulations governing sewage disposal systems.

He said that before a prospective new-home builder purchases a parcel of land, he should first determine the type of soil and distance to ground-water table.

If the home builder finds soils with a percolation test over 45 minutes per inch of fall, or the ground-water table less than 48 inches from the surface, he should look for another building site.

Under Isabella County Sanitary regulations, the Health Department will deny a sewage disposal permit to any applicant who has built in heavy clay soils, etc.

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Goldie Dutcher, Reporter
George Woodin called on the Ervin Dutcher, Jr., family Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hines spent Saturday evening with the Ervin Dutchers.

Mrs. Bill Remington and son, Dean, of Saginaw spent Tuesday night with the Ervin Dutchers. She came and got Troy, who had spent the week with his grandparents.

Richard Dutcher spent Sunday evening with the Clayton Dutchers.

Douglas Dutcher spent Monday night with Grandma Dutcher, as he was ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hardenburg and family and Emory Dell and Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hardenburg and family of Pierson attended a going-away party for Bob Dell, at the home of his folks, Mr. and Mrs. Ernie Dell, Saturday. Bob had been home on leave, just returning from Viet Nam. He has gone back to California.

Well, I guess we will have a White Easter, from the looks outside Tuesday morning. It sure did come down, and still falling.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Garner and Walter were Sunday afternoon callers of Mr. and Mrs. John Hibberd. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Buzek and Edward Pomeroy of Chesaning were Saturday afternoon callers. Mrs. Florence Hoffman and Patricia Davis were Friday afternoon callers.

The County has been clearing trees and brush along West Drew Road. Looks like we may be enjoying a new road, in the future.

My telephone was out Monday afternoon, so I wasn't able to make all my calls.

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EAST Coldwater

Esther Skinner, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Husted called on Mr. and Mrs. Ernie Bonham and family of Cadillac Saturday evening. They called on Mrs. Ken Tupper at the Clare Hospital Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Theisen and family of Mt. Pleasant called on Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Olger Monday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Noble and boys of Lake City were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Skinner and children.

Don Lofgren and Leonard Parker attended a Holstein cattle auction at the Ionia Fairgrounds Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Lofgren and children called on her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Gross, of Weidman, Sunday.

Mike Armstrong spent the weekend with Wally Skinner. They and Ray and Dick Skinner spent Saturday evening in St. Louis with their uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Routheaux,

and Randy.

Mr. and Mrs. Stewart Voss of Weidman were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Olger and family. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Voss and Stacy and Mr. and Mrs. Stewart Voss were Saturday evening callers.

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North Weidman

Elvah Gott, Reporter

Mrs. Muriel Miller took Mr. and Mrs. Howard Monroe to Mt. Pleasant Thursday afternoon.

The Baptist Sunday School teachers met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell Abbott Thursday morning of last week. Carol served cake and coffee.

Greg Knollenberg of Mt. Pleasant spent the weekend with the Leiter boys. Becky Leiter spent the weekend with Susie Knollenberg in Mt. Pleasant. Mr. and Mrs. Wiley Knollenberg and boys called and brought Becky Leiter home, and took Greg home, Sunday afternoon.

Ted Barnes of Detroit was a Sunday visitor at the John Johnson home.

Mrs. Bessie Sexton has been staying nights with Mrs. Davy.

Mr. and Mrs. Emerson Blodgett and family of Farwell called on the Earl Blodgetts Sunday.

James Kennedy of Mt. Pleasant called on his daughters, Mrs. Muriel Leiter and Mrs. Carol Abbott, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Kennedy and family called on his sister, Mrs. Carol Abbott, and Mr. and Mrs. Sam Waters, Saturday.

Mrs. Bessie Allen and Mrs. Beatrice Aldrich called on Mr. and Mrs. John Gott Tuesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Gott and Becky and Debbie Graham attended a birthday dinner for the twins, Ruth and Richard Gott, in Farwell last Wednesday evening. They took them a birthday cake.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Gott and family of Winn were Sunday dinner guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Gott.

Albert Gott took Mr. and Mrs. John Gott for a ride north of Lake, to the cabin of Mr. and Mrs. Carl McGillis, where they have retired.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Embrey and children of Farwell and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Adams and daughter, Debbie, of Lake, were Sunday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Adams.

Paul Wernette spent the weekend with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Don Abbott.

Mr. and Mrs. Micky Abbott and Mr. and Mrs. Don Abbott attended a wall-to-wall carpeting showing in Saginaw one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Alan Blodgett and family of Houghton Lake called on Mr. and Mrs. Earl Blodgett and Mr. and Mrs. Lloy Sperry Monday evening.

Sunday callers at the Jack Burden home were Mrs. Lauraine Burden and Mr. and Mrs. Harold

Burden and family of Grand Rapids.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Bierschbach and family visited Mr. and Mrs. Jack Burden last Wednesday evening.

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ENTERTAINS BIRTHDAY CLUB

Mrs. Roy Adams entertained the Birthday Club last Monday evening,

at her home.

Twelve members were present, enjoying pepper games and a delightful lunch.

Mrs. Beulah Scott of Mt. Pleasant was co-hostess.

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Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Sprague called on Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Dent in Farwell Sunday afternoon.

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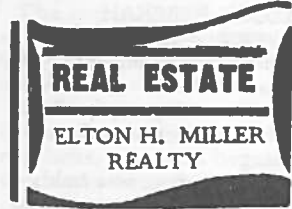
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FOX HARDWARE OBSERVES ITS 20TH ANNIVERSARY IN BUSINESS IN WEIDMAN

On March 15, 1947, Ed and Agnes Fox purchased the Scott Hardware business in Weidman, which was housed in the ancient Mills & Scott Bros. Building, which Ed still owns.

Mr. and Mrs. Fox bought the business from Glenn Scott, who was running the hardware here but had already opened a hardware store in Mt. Pleasant.

Ed and Agnes both worked in the store, and it prospered and grew. In 1959 they moved to the cement-block building where the Fox Hardware is now located, and added greatly to their already good stock of hardware, sporting goods, and appliances.

When Ed and Agnes adopted two boys, Bill and Bob, then three and five years old, Agnes found her time taken up at the new home they had built on the east edge of Weidman. The boys are now 11 and 12 years old, and Agnes can help out at the store if needed. A good working staff, however, headed by Tom Schafer, minds the store under the working direction of the owner.

Ed Fox is our nomination for Civic Citizen of the Years, as he has participated faithfully and fully in all efforts to make Weidman a better town.

He has been Fire Chief since 1949, and is on call just like the rest of the 25 firemen of the Notawata-Sherman Volunteer Fire Department. All are well trained in the use of latest equipment.

Ed was the first president of the Weidman Business Association, winning the office on the flip of a coin in a tie vote with Barney Tranbarger. Ed has held every office in the WBA many times over, since then, and is known as a reliable, hard-working member and leader.

He is a charter member of the Weidman Lions Club, and a member of the Beal City Knights of Columbus.

He runs a big and busy store and still takes time to work unceasingly at civic projects here.

We offer our congratulations to this successful business, and its devoted owners.

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REBEKAH CARD PARTY HAS THREE TABLES IN PLAY

Three tables of pepper were in play at the Rebekah-sponsored card party last week Tuesday at the home of Mtd. Kit Johnson.

Prizes were won by Vada Carroll, Gladys Wilson, Leah Scharer, and Theresa Bunting. The door prize was won by Jessie Ronsencrantz.

Lunch was served by the committee. The next party will be March 28, at Mrs. Johnson's home.

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Mrs. Wanda Graham was hostess at a ladies' party at her home Monday morning.

Obituary

BERNICE PIERCE

This community was shocked and grieved last week at news of the sudden death of Bernice (Johnson) Pierce. She was born in Saginaw, and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Johnson, came to Weidman when Bernice was three years old. She attended the Weidman schools, and graduated here.

She was married to Ray Pierce July 3, 1934, in Weidman. Ray's father, Charles Pierce, was an old-time Weidman resident.

She died unexpectedly at her home in Waterford last Wednesday, March 15, and funeral services were held Saturday at 1 p. m. in the Weidman Methodist Church, with Rev. Reynders officiating. Burial was in Fairview Cemetery here.

Bernice was loved by all who knew her, and she leaves very many friends besides her family.

Surviving is her husband, Ray Pierce; a daughter, Mrs. Ronald Rushion, of Waterford; her mother, Mrs. Kit Johnson of Weidman; one grandchild; two sisters, Mrs. Robert Van Ness (Marion) of Fremont, Ohio, and Mrs. Thomas Powell (Jean) of Mt. Pleasant; and four brothers, Charles and Gerald Johnson of Mt. Pleasant, Fey Johnson of Weidman, and Howard Johnson of Fremont, Ohio.

Relatives and friends attended the funeral from Saginaw, Lansing, Flint, Swartz Creek, Pontiac, Yale, Morley, Mt. Pleasant, Grand Rapids, and Weidman.

The family have the deepest sympathy of all.

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ODDFELLOW, REBEKAH ASSOCIATION MEETS HERE

Guests from neighboring towns attended an Oddfellow-Rebekah Association meeting at the Oddfellows Hall in Weidman Saturday evening.

A business meeting was held, followed by a short program, and a delicious pot-luck supper.

A good attendance was reported for the meeting.

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Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Smith returned home last week, after spending the winter in Florida.

Small Julie Anderson of Lansing is spending the week with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Abendroth. They will take her home Saturday, and spend Easter with their daughter's family.

Mr. and Mrs. Gus Pappas of Rosebush were Friday visitors at the Frank Gross home.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Donley and children spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Doug Middlesworth and son in Lansing. Dick attended the state basketball finals there.

Mrs. Ina Gillett and Mr. and Mrs. Verne Foster visited Farwell Sunday.

Coldwater Lake

Marjorie Schafer, Reporter
Mrs. Alvie Haynes and daughter, Judy, called on Mrs. Edward Schafer Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Schafer called on Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Schafer Wednesday evening, to wish Mrs. Schafer a Happy Birthday.

Art Tilmann called on Ed Schafer Thursday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Schafer enjoyed a nice visit with Mr. and Mrs. Don Swan of Mt. Pleasant Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Sherlock of Battle Creek spent Saturday evening with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Schafer, returning home Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Schafer enjoyed a few games of cards Saturday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Dietrich of Belleville, who were spending the weekend at their home on Jordan Road.

Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Schafer spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Edward Schafer.

Chris Bertinetti of Detroit spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Joe Marchiando.

Mr. and Mrs. John M. Schafer and boys of Bay City spent Sunday with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Schafer, returning home Monday.

The Bill Lorenzes called on the Peter Lorenzes Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Lorenz went to Midland to see their aunt, Mae Yuncker. She wasn't feeling too well at this time. They

stopped in at CMC Hospital to see the sick there, on their way home. Those visited included Flo Haupt, Gertie McConnell, Lena Bleise, Mrs. Laubenthal, Geraldine Horan, Mrs. Cashen, and Henry Fussman.

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West Gilmore

Lena Cole, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Douglas of Beaverton visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Douglas, Tuesday evening.

Tuesday callers of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Cole were Mr. and Mrs. Harold Douglas and Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Douglas and Mr. and Mrs. Lester Swan.

Mrs. Charlotte Hart received word that her brother-in-law, Harold McCullum, of Paris, Mich., is in a Grand Rapids hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Curtis of Mt. Pleasant brought their mother, Mrs. Charlotte Hart, a nice collie pup.

Mrs. Helen Wardwell and Mrs. Wm. Sampson gave Vilma Cole a shepherd and collie pup.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Reynolds of Pontiac are visiting her brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Lowery, of west Brinton.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Kripa and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Cole went to Detroit Friday to visit Mr. and Mrs. Charles Mahon at Ford Hospital. Mr. Mahon had surgery Saturday, and was very ill.

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