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Editor's Column

By Connie

THE MESSENGER HAS WONDERFUL NEWS WRITERS

Our thanks to all our news writers, whom we telephoned Saturday to "hold down" their news for this issue. The Messenger has the most wonderful staff of news writers any paper ever had. We appreciate your co-operation, gals, and we'll look for you next week, back in harness and full swing on the news.

Our personal appreciation also to the Village of Weidman for its forbearance this week. No calling for local news. We'll also be back next week, with all the news.



ANDY LITTLE KNOWS HIS TROUT FISHING HEREABOUTS

Andy Little of Rosebush likes to come over and fish on our area waters, and he does a lot of it, summer and winter.

Last Friday he stopped at the Messenger office with four beautiful German brown trout which he said he caught all in the same fishin' hole, in a stream near Weidman.

The four splendid trout weighed an aggregate of six pounds. Andy said he used night-crawlers as bait.

Like we said, he's a good fisherman. ---0---

BEAL CITY BOY WINS SAFETY AWARD

Robert Engler, son of Mr. and Mrs. Matt Engler, won a bicycle for his safety poster's slogan, "Darkness Doubles Danger," in the recent poster contest sponsored by the Isabella County Safety Council.

He is a student in the parochial school of St. Joseph's Parish at Beal City.



BANK PRESIDENT LEON G. McARTHUR

FIFTY YEARS OF SERVICE IN THE WEIDMAN BANK--Leon McArthur will have been serving the Weidman State Bank and its predecessor, the Weidman Banking Company, fifty years next Wednesday, May 17. Though the old banking business was dissolved after the death of Floyd Mitchell and the new Weidman State Bank began as a new business, Leon has worked in the same building at the bank for fifty years. He has served the bank and the town of Weidman well.

Messenger photo

Leon started work at the bank in 1917 as a bookkeeper. Two years later he was promoted to assistant cashier, and also was bookkeeper for the Holmes Milling Company and the Weidman Lumber Yard. Floyd Mitchell was president of the private business of the Weidman Banking Company, with William Schauppner cashier.

In 1937 Harriett Wetmore was hired as bookkeeper for Holmes Milling Company, and Leon was promoted to sales manager, and held his position as assistant cashier at the bank.

On the death of Mr. Schauppner in 1943, Leon was named cashier of the Weidman Banking Company and general manager of the Holmes Milling Company. He remained on that status until the death of Mr. Mitchell March 1, 1948, at which time state laws prohibited private banks and necessitated the reorganization of the bank's structure in a business sense to become a State Bank. In practice this necessitated the dissolving of the Weidman Banking Company, closing out its business, and starting up again as a brand-new business, the Weidman State Bank.

The bookwork involved in this operation was tremendous. It involved the closing of all deposit accounts of the Weidman Banking Company, and transferring them to new accounts with the Weidman State Bank. Every savings account, every checking account, every mortgage; in fact, every item of business which was part of the routine of the Weidman Banking Company had to be with-

drawn and redeposited or entered with the new Weidman State Bank. The work took from March 1, 1948, till Dec. 14 of that year.

The bank never closed its doors; it could accept deposits and payments on loans, but it could not negotiate any new mortgages or loans. This work was carried out under the direction of Leon McArthur, with the help, of course, of the very able bank staff. The new Weidman State Bank was given its corporate status Nov. 22, 1948.

The old Weidman Banking Company carried on its business during the last day of its existence, Dec. 14, 1948, and when it closed its doors that day it ended the old business. Its doors opened next day, Dec. 15, on the new business, the Weidman State Bank, without a moment's loss of service to its customers.

Its capital stock, surplus, and undivided profits were \$45,000. Its total assets were about \$800,000.00. Today the total assets of the Weidman State Bank are around \$2,100,000.00.

In 1955, on the death of Homer Campbell of Rosebush, who was president of the bank, Leon was elected president, and has consistently led the bank's business into expanded and more useful total financial status and service. Leon's son, Mitchell L. McArthur, is now cashier.

The Weidman State Bank rose over its first million dollars in total assets in 1954. Since then it has more than doubled that figure, a tribute to the leadership

PUBLIC INVITED TO GROUND BREAKING CEREMONIES FOR LAKE ISABELLA MONDAY

Richard Tilmann, president of the Isabella Development Corporation, announces ground-breaking ceremonies for the huge lake development southwest of town for next Monday, with a guided tour of the lake site and ceremonies later, at 3 p. m. The tour will take place at 1.30.

Plans for the Lake Isabella development include a golf course, club house, air strip, and marina.

The project has the official approval of the Michigan Conservation Commission and the Isabella County Board of Supervisors, Mr. Tilmann said this week. Endorsements have also been secured from the Mt. Pleasant Chamber of Commerce and the Weidman Business Association.

Guests of honor at the caravan tour and ceremonies will include Rep. Russell Strange and Sen. John F. Toepp.

Work on the big lake project has been going on steadily since last year.

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Men in Uniform

Pvt. Bill Bierschbach left Monday to return to his base at Fort Bragg, N. C., after spending a week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Julius Bierschbach. Bill does office work in the Army.

Pfc. Roger Maeder and some of his buddies spent a few days last week bear hunting and fishing in Canada.

of its president.

Leon said, in an interview this week, "Much credit for the bank's growth and service must go to an efficient working staff and an excellent Board of Directors who are well versed in the needs and wishes of the people of this community."

Leon and his late wife, Gladys, were both beloved of the community for their tireless work in civic and religious projects. They both were lifelong members of the Weidman Methodist Church, and gave generously of their talents, time, and money to its development and improvement.

Leon is a Life Member of the Eastern Stars, and the Masons, recently receiving his 10-year badge. He is also a charter member of the Weidman Lions Club.

Next Wednesday, May 17, is the official anniversary date for Leon's fifty years at the bank.

The community offers congratulations on the solid success of the bank, and appreciation for Leon's lifelong work here and in our surrounding areas.

WEIDMAN BUSINESS ASSOCIATION

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BERNARD PITTS, Treasurer

May 11, 1967

Mr. Leon McArthur
President, Weidman State Bank
Dear Leon:

We hear that next Wednesday, May 17, will be the 50th anniversary of your service at the Weidman Bank. Suddenly it is fifty years since you first started working for the bank and the village of Weidman.

A small town is apt to take its own people for granted. We live our lives together, greeting one another daily and going about our business. Never do we walk up to a man and tell him, "We think you're great. We think you're remarkable in your lifelong faithful work here in Weidman: in your church, in your striving for village betterment, in your personal compassion and help to individuals--and in your fifty years as a community servant in the Weidman Bank."

We would never say to a man, "You deserve the most sincere appreciation from all of us, for your years of effort in Weidman, and you deserve our affectionate and sincere congratulations on the fine results of your leadership in the bank. We think you're great."

We don't say things like that to one another.

But, Leon, consider them said now, all of them. Your town appreciates your work among us, and we offer our sincere congratulations and best wishes on this anniversary.

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WANT ADS

WANT AD RATES: 50¢ per week for ordinary ad; space rates of 50¢ per col. inch for those of longer length. Card of Thanks: 75¢, unless very long. Ph. 644-2000, Weidman.

For Sale--Riding horse, sorrel gelding, 8 years old. Tel. 644-2209.

May11t1p

WANTED--Custom plowing. Call 644-3450.

Apr20 to May11p

SPRING SERVICE YOUR CAR--At Stewart Leonard Service in Weidman. Brake service and valve grinding.

Apr20-May 11p

NO DUMPING--of trash on my property, especially at the corner of the Air Line Road and Woodruff Road. Ruth Momany, Weidman.

May 11t1p

FOR SALE--Edward S. Funk Super-Crost Seed Corn. We have a good supply of early corn, Nos. 22 and 31A. Also Super-Crost SU1. Rawson Bros., Farwell Route 2, ph. LU8-2423.

May4t3p

A ROSE CORSAGE--For Mother on her Day will make her most proud and happy. Beautiful red or pink rose corsages designed individually by us. Order now for Mother's Day, Sunday, May 14. We also have carnations in all colors for corsages and boutonnières. The Flower Shop, Weidman, ph. 644-3941.

May 11t1

OPEN SATURDAY MORNINGS--Bader Milling Company will be open Saturdays till noon from May 13 until further notice. No grinding Saturdays. Fertilizer and feed sales only.

May 11t1

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SMORGASBORD--Take Mother out to dinner at the Broomfield Grange Hall Saturday, May 13. Roast pork, barbecued chicken, fried chicken, casserole dishes, salads, home baked goods for sale. Adults \$1.25, school children 75¢, pre-school children no charge. Located corner M-20 and S. Coldwater Rd. Serving from 5 p. m. to 7.30 p. m.

May11t1

MOTHER'S DAY MAY 14--And flowers say, "Happiness to you, Mother!" the sweetest, the most enduring, the best way. Make your mother happy on her day with a beautifully wrapped plant from The Flower Shop, Weidman. Prices from \$1.00, a big variety to choose from.

Ph. 644-3941.

May4t1

FOR SALE--1947 Dodge car.

Runs good. Living room chairs, tables, 2 smoking cabinets; bedroom furniture; Singer sewing machine; round dining table, buffet, chairs; desk, lamps, books, pictures; table television; Bissell sweeper, elec. hand-sweeper, elec. heater, toaster, washer; stationary tubs; pots, pans, cutlery, dishes, fruit jars, miscellaneous items; Reasonable. John Hibberd farm, West Drew Road, 2 1/2 miles west of Chippewa Ranch. Phone 644-2258. No Saturday sales.

May11t2 p

HOME PAPER FOR THE WEST HALF OF ISABELLA COUNTY

WEST Nottawa

Helen Alwood, Reporter

Last Tuesday luncheon guests of Mrs. Don Alwood and Cathy were Mr. and Mrs. Roy Adams and Mr. and Mrs. John Gott. Butch Miller of Lansing was a weekend guest. Sunday callers were Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ptak and family of Royal Oak, Willard Searles and son of St. Johns, Don Smith, and Mrs. Hermione Smith.

Mrs. Eileen Hudak and girls of Flint spent the weekend at the Isadore Schafer home. They all were Sunday dinner guests at the Edward Schafer home, in honor of Kevin's First Communion. Other guests included Mrs. Ida Tilmann, Mr. and Mrs. John McDonald and family, and Mr. and Mrs. Dave Neyer and children. Eileen visited her twin sister, Roselene Schafer, at CMC Hospital while here, and found her in real good spirits, even though she is flat on her back.

Sunday dinner guests at the Gerald Pohl home, in honor of Brenda's First Communion, were Mr. and Mrs. Stan Klumpp and family of Leaton, Mr. and Mrs. Julius Schumacher, and Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Pohl. In the evening the Richard Pohl family were callers. A week ago Sunday the Richard Pohls had as dinner guests the Gerald Pohls, in honor of the First Communion of their daughter, Debbie.

Sunday dinner guests at the Norman Vogel home were Mr. and Mrs. Joe Vogel and family of Muskegon and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Pung and children. The occasion was Ronnie Vogel's First Communion. Mr. and Mrs. Earl Vogel and two children of Detroit spent the week end at the Andrew Vogel home.

Guy Jackson spent last week at CMC Hospital for tests and x-rays.

Sunday dinner and supper guests of Mrs. Vera Neubecker and family, in honor of Julie's First Communion, were Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Halfman, Mr. and Mrs. Gary Wernette and family, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Paisley and family and Mr. and Mrs. Earl Burman and family.

Card Of Thanks

We wish to thank all those who were so kind and helpful during the recent illness of our beloved husband and father, and at the time of the funeral.

We also wish to express our appreciation for the many lovely get-well cards, fruit, flowers, and expressions of sympathy.

Our special thanks to the Weidman Methodist Church for making their sanctuary available for the funeral service.

Mrs. John Hibberd And Family.

KING ROW SEED CORN--For sale. Ernest Courser, 1/2 mile south of Two Rivers on Littlefield Road. Ph. 644-3964.

May 11t2

Beal City

Dora Smith, Reporter

Wm. Faber had surgery in the Alma hospital and is getting along nicely.

The Senior Citizens' party last week at the KC Hall was well attended, with 12 tables in play. Mrs. Effie Schafer won the door prize.

Sixty-eight children made their First Holy Communion at St. Joseph's Church Sunday at the 8.30 Mass.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Klumpp and family, of Mt. Pleasant, and Mr. and Mrs. Tony Schafer and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Schafer and family had dinner Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Bob Schafer and family.

Mrs. Jerry Schafer, Mrs. Bob Schafer and Mrs. Tony Schafer attended a bridal shower for Sue Ann Schafer given by Mrs. Sandy Schafer and Mrs. Sally Wood at Winn.

Mrs. Joe Pung went to Midland hospital for checkup May 4.

Mrs. John E. Schafer spent Friday with her daughter, Esther McNamara, and family, in Mt. Pleasant.

Mrs. Ida Tilmann spent Wednesday with her daughter, Mary Courtright, and family in Mt. Pleasant.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Pung spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Pung.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Schafer and family of Rosebush spent Sunday with Mrs. Rose Schafer.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Lawens spent Thursday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Walter Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Funnell and family of Mt. Pleasant spent Friday evening with Mrs. Fred Zeien.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Yuncker spent Wednesday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Walter Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Cassidy and family of Clare and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Theisen and family of Mt. Pleasant spent Sunday with Mrs. Wm. Bleise.

Mrs. Joe Travis and family of Shepherd spent Thursday with Mr. and Mrs. Walter Smith.

Mrs. Sindman of Clare and lady friend of Saginaw called on Mrs. Louise Smith Sunday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Smith and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Rau and daughter were also callers. Mrs. Beulah Riley was a Tuesday visitor. Mrs. Smith called on Billy Sunday and found him getting along nicely.

Mrs. Frank Laubenthal and daughters, Helen and Beatrice, of Cadillac were Friday dinner guests of Mrs. Louise Smith. Other callers were Mr. and Mrs. Will Pung, Mr. and Mrs. Pete Schafer and Mr. and Mrs. Tony Schafer.

Mrs. Jeanette Miller of Mt. Pleasant and family spent Sunday afternoon with Ann Smith.

Tina Ball made her First Communion at St. Joseph's Church Sunday.

Walker Creek News

Esther Stanley, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Skalitzy were Thursday supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ward Loomis of Sherman City, honoring Ward's birthday. Other guests included Mrs. Kate Darnell, Wm. Meier, and Howard MacKersie of Barryton.

Mr. and Mrs. George Clark and Terri of Weidman were Sunday guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Otis Conley.

Clark Sowle entered the Lakeview hospital Wednesday. Mrs. Lena St. John and Mrs. Pearl Loomis visited him Friday afternoon, and Floyd Sowle, Fred Beutler and Mrs. St. Johns visited him Sunday afternoon. Hope you're better soon, Red!

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Beutler attended the Weidman Junior-Senior banquet Saturday evening at the Holiday Inn in Mt. Pleasant. Fred is one of Weidman's graduates, also attending with classmates, teachers and friends.

Arthur Schrock was a Sunday dinner guest of his mother, Mrs. Nellie Schrock, at Riverdale, and attended an airplane show and display at the airport there with his brothers-in-law, Frank McNeal and Charles McMacken, and son, David, in the afternoon.

Rodney Schrock became quite ill Tuesday night and was a patient in CMC Hospital till Saturday afternoon. Wm. Uhl of Gladwin and Norman Geasler and Mrs. Schrock visited him there, and Mr. and Mrs. Dean Eaton of Farwell called on Mrs. Schrock and family, concerning his welfare.

Mrs. Donald Zill has been having a bout with pneumonia, but is feeling better, returning to her duties at the Home and Training School Tuesday.

Terry Zill is entertaining the "ole measles".

Miss Lucinda St. John spent the weekend with Miss Bonnie Brasington of Chippewa Lake. Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Bazaire of North Brinton were Sunday guests at the Zill home.

Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Schrock visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Owens, Sunday forenoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Hazen Thompson visited her father and sister, Oliver Manley and Mrs. Coleman, at Remus Saturday. Mrs. Minnie Reed and Bruce and Ada visited Mr. and Mrs. Thompson Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Lou Gray and Mrs. Ollie Denslow attended the mock trial at Mt. Pleasant Wednesday evening. Teresa Gray of Mt. Pleasant called on her grandparents Saturday night. Mr. and Mrs. Gray were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Loren Gray and family of Mt. Pleasant.

Mrs. Robert Tice and son and Mrs. Sandra Schafer and son of Mt. Pleasant visited their aunt, Mrs. Ollie Denslow, Sunday.

Eugene, Mary Jane and Junior Fifield and friend of Lansing were Tuesday supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Emmons. Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Jeffers and Priscilla of Sheridan were Sunday guests.

Little Eddie John Bobroski was in the hospital for a few days but is better now.

Weekend visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Denslow were Mr. and Mrs. Ronald DeVries of Hersey, Mr. and Mrs. Willis Finney and sons, and Mrs. Mabel Cummings.

Mr. and Mrs. Harlan Shook of Midland visited Mr. and Mrs. Howard Monroe and Blane Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Stanley visited Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Gorbey at Lake Thirteen Monday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Kent and Ronda and Julie of Mt. Pleasant visited Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Pung and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Pung at the latter's home, honoring the Confirmation of Dennis, son of the Donald Pungs, the Stanleys' grandson, and Joseph, son of the Robert Pungs. Other guests were Mr. and Mrs. Al Tilmann, Charlotte and Denise, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Pung and Scott and Jean Ann and Mrs. Mary Courter.

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Two Rivers

Theresa Bunting, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Plank and family of Wheeler were Sunday dinner guests of their mother and grandmother, Mrs. Blanche Carr. Mr. and Mrs. Dalton Carr of Flushing were Sunday over night guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Martin attended the funeral of his cousin, Martin Spitzley, at Westphalia, Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Sheldon, Rosie Hogen, Millie Voss, Laura Latham, Doris Wilmot, Vivian Voss, Geraldine Olger, Mrs. Ronald Flaugh and children, Mrs. Russell Flaugh and children and Mrs. Richard Flaugh were Tuesday dinner guests of Minnie Flaugh, and helped her celebrate her birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Gruss were Friday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Oral Bunting.

Mr. and Mrs. Clair Letson and children of Clare, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Sweet and children of Mt. Pleasant, and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Harvey and son of Chippewa Lake spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Harvey.

Mrs. Albert Fredricks of Kalamazoo, Joanne Moses, Mr. and Mrs. Homer Moses, Shirley Baker of Mt. Pleasant, Ella Mae Bugbee and Leona Courser were callers of Nettie Baker Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Craven of rural Remus were Wednesday dinner guests of Nettie Baker.

BETTER THAN A LETTER

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Mens SPORT SHIRTS
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for Spring.. prints, plains
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\$2.98

Mother would like a new
BLOUSE
(we have the new Spring
and Summer Blouses)
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new Necklaces & Earring
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All Sizes.....
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all sizes.. was \$1.49
Now \$1.00



FIVE BEAL CITY BOYS BUILD AND FLY HUGE KITE

Five Beal City Ninth Grade boys have been building huge kites--and they fly them, too.

Jerry Schafer, Tom Tilmann, Tom Fussman, Rick Klumpp and Bill Rau built and flew the kite shown above, the big bird soaring 40 to 50 feet in the air. Its measurements were 18 feet by 10 feet--and that's a lot of kite.

The boys first built a smaller one, 6 feet by 10, and it flew satisfactorily, so they decided to try a bigger one.

Their kite was a project in the Beal City High School shop class chosen by them. The boys got good hardwood from Webers' Saw Mill, and plastic from the Tilmann Hardware. Their workmanship was proved when the huge kite obligingly rose and did its soaring high above Beal City.

CARD PARTY A SUCCESS

The card party Saturday evening at the IOOF Hall for men and women was well attended, with six tables in play.

First prize went to Gladys Wilson, second to Clara Fox. Men's prizes went to Emil Phillips and George Woodin. Hulda Stevens won the door prize.

The next card party for both men and women will be May 20, at the hall.

Local Items

Mrs. Frances Lawrence of Horsehead Lake spent last Monday evening with Mrs. Ethel Bywater.

Mrs. Emily Wood was also a visitor, and the three old-time neighbors had a good visit together.

Visitors of Mrs. Emily Wood through last week were Mrs. Katherine McDaniel, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Dent and Harry, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Kirvan, Mrs. Meda McCombs of Barryton, and Mildred Kirvan of Big Rapids; Mrs. Frances Lawrence, Sgt. Otis Kirvan and friend of Oscoda, and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Kirvan of Grand Rapids; Mr. and Mrs. Pyle and son of Flint.

MRS. FLOSSIE DAVY CELEBRATES HER BIRTHDAY

Friends and relatives who dropped in on Mrs. Flossie Davy last Tuesday afternoon to remind her it was her 70th birthday were Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Davy and family, Mrs. Don Battle and three sons, Mrs. Hermione Smith, Mrs. John Gott, and Mrs. Don Alwood and three children. All enjoyed cake and ice cream and coffee. Flossie received many nice gifts and cards. Among her gifts was a beautiful potted plant from Bessie Sexton.

In the evening, Flossie received phone calls from her daughters, Millie and Luella, saying they plan to visit her Mother's Day.

We all wish Flossie good health and many more birthdays. She made a host of friends in this village and this area as she operated her restaurant for years, specializing in her inimitable home cooking and baking. Her home-made rolls were famous. Flossie was at her restaurant oven early each morning, until her health demanded she take things easier. Her very many friends wish her good health, good luck, and happiness, in her new home near Mitchell Park.

HEP TOPS CLUB GAINS SIX NEW MEMBERS

The Weidman Hep TOPS Club met Tuesday, May 2, in the school cafeteria. We now have 47 members. This includes six new members at that meeting.

Prizes were given the winners of a six-weeks contest. Winners were Wanda Graham and Emma Middlesworth.

Eight of our members left May 6 for a day at the Michigan State Recognition Days in Jackson. They were invited by the Mt. Pleasant club to join them on a chartered bus, leaving Mt. Pleasant at 5.30 a.m. Those attending from here were Wanda Graham, Joan Burden, Bessie Allen, Loretta Blevens, Doris Wilmot, Pauline Branson, Becky Graham, and Jeanne Smith.

Our Queen for the week was Janet Carrick. Our Princess was Diane Shilling. We also crowned our Queen for the month of April, Jeanne Smith, and our Princess, Tammy Frantz.

Joan Burden, Reporter.

NorthWeidman

Elvah Gott, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Bud Drake of Riverdale called on his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. John Gott, Sunday afternoon.

Bud Blodgett called on his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Blodgett, Sunday evening. Earl is about the same at this writing.

Mrs. Clarabel Beutler, Mrs. Edna Schultz and Mrs. Vada Carroll spent Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. Hulda Stevens of Notawa.

Central Gilmore

Mary Helen Pitts, Reporter

MOTHER AND DAUGHTER BANQUET HELD FRIDAY

The annual Mother and Daughter Banquet was held Friday evening with 120 present to enjoy a chicken supper and the program.

Corsages of red, pink and white carnations were presented the graduating girls and their mothers by Genevieve Luce. Lois Getchel gave the invocation, with Joyce Crane Mistress of Ceremonies.

Speaker was Miss Mary Ackey, Professor at Great Lakes Bible College. Lois Graham gave the benediction.

JIM PITTS REALLY CELEBRATES HIS BIRTHDAY

May 4 was a full day for Mr. and Mrs. James Pitts. It was their 47th wedding anniversary and Jim's 80th birthday.

Thursday noon 21 World War I buddies and their wives gathered at their home for a pot-luck lunch-dinner and an afternoon of visiting.

After everyone had gone and the Pittses were settled down to do an unfinished job in the basement, 66 more friends and relatives surprised them again.

Cake and ice cream and coffee were served at the Open House. Jim and Grace received some nice gifts that evening. A lovely linen tablecloth was given them by the guests at noon.

Everyone left them tired but very happy and thankful for their blessings.

Mrs. Ruth Pitts has been confined to her bed this past week. Her sister, Mrs. Lena Rathburn, has been caring for her. Mr. and Mrs. Millard Pitts spent the weekend with them.

Mr. and Mrs. Oren Hartnell attended the wedding of Catherine Stanek of Clare and Jack Boyer of Gladwin Saturday evening in Clare.

Gilmore Farm Bureau met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Pitts last Monday evening.

BROOMFIELD GRANGE NEWS

Grace Crowley, Reporter

We are happy to say another new member has been added to our Grange.

Our sympathy is given to the family of Mrs. Wm. (Nora) Steele, who passed away April 26. Grange ladies were ready to serve the food, furnished by themselves and ladies of the community, for the relatives and friends of Mrs. Steele after the funeral Saturday. We are here to help those in sorrow.

Plans are all made for our Smorgasbord supper May 13. Take Mother out for Saturday evening supper, as May 14 is Mother's Day.

If you enjoy an evening of playing pepper, we welcome you on the first and third Saturday evenings of the month.

Set Beal City Kindergarten Registration

BEAL CITY -- Registration for all children who plan to attend the Beal City kindergarten in September should enroll Friday, May 12. There will be no regular kindergarten classes on that date.

The schedule for parents whose last names begin with the letters A through M should report at 10:00 a.m., names with letters N through Z should report at 2:00 p.m.

The kindergarten students who will begin school in the fall are invited to attend this registration meeting also. They will get a preview of what to expect when they begin school.

Health entrance requirement blanks with the necessary instructions will be handed out at that time. Parents are asked to bring their children's birth certificates.

A child must be five years old on or before December 1, 1967 to enter the kindergarten.

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West Gilmore

Lena Cole, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Micky Myers and family of Park Lake spent the weekend at their trailer house.

Mrs. Charlotte Hart and sister, Mrs. Violet Lowery, visited Mrs. Ruby Douglas Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Bawkey of Muskegon visited his aunt at the rest home at Lake Thursday. Saturday they visited Mrs. Bertha Colosky at the rest home west of Farwell. The Bawkeys spent from Thursday till Saturday with their cousins, the Paul Coles.

Sunday visitors of the Paul Coles were Mr. and Mrs. Eli Hyler of St. Johns, cousins. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Myers and family of Park Lake, Mr. and Mrs. Micky Meyers of Bath, Clarence Wardwell of Flint, Ronnie Allbee and Mr. and Mrs. Lester Swan of Mt. Pleasant.

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Brinton News

Cora Estes, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Jones of Grand Rapids visited their sister, Mrs. Edna Teeter, Wednesday and Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Ginsky of Dearborn were weekend guests of the Norman Brines family.

Sunday visitors of Bert and Cora Estes were Mr. and Mrs. Wallis Bennett and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Jennings of Midland, and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Molyneux of Walhalla.

The Earl Place family and Mrs. Edna Teeter and son, Homer, were Sunday visitors at the Harley Teeter home in Clare.

BETTER THAN A LETTER



KAREN RHODE



KATHLEEN LUEDER

Weidman High Names 1967 Top Scholars

Karen Rhode, 17, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Throdore Rhode, RFD Mt. Pleasant, has been named valedictorian of the 1967 senior class at Weidman High School.

Salutatorian is Kathleen Lueder, 17, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Lueder, RFD Mt. Pleasant.

Besides maintaining a high scholastic average, Miss Rhode was class reporter during her sophomore year and class secretary during her junior year. She has worked on the yearbook staff for the past two years. Last fall she was selected DAR Good Citizen.

GRADUATION WILL BE MAY 25, EVENING

Graduating exercises for 17 Seniors of the Weidman High School will be held at the school May 25, with Rex Wood of Oakland County Schools as speaker.

Baccalaureate will be Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock, May 21, also at the school. Rev. Marvin Eldridge of the Weidman Baptist Church will speak.

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SCHOOL OPERETTA THIS FRIDAY EVENING

The High School operetta, "Mr. Crane," will be presented Friday, May 12, at 8 p. m., at the school.

The annual musical play is under the direction of Mrs. Mary Starr and Mrs. Hubert.

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ALUMNI BANQUET WILL BE MAY 27

The annual Weidman High School Alumni Banquet will be Saturday evening, May 27, at the school cafeteria. All graduates of the Weidman School are urged to attend.

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Outside school, she teaches Sunday School at the Broomfield Zion Lutheran Church and is church organist and also organist for the junior choir. She plans on entering Central Michigan University this fall.

Miss Lueder has served as president of her junior class and is a member of the yearbook staff and editor of the school paper. She has been vice president of the FHA and secretary of the Walther League.

She received first place in the Weidman Lion Club's Peace Essay Contest held this year. She plans on practical nurse training after graduation.

Local Items

Edna Hammond of Mt. Pleasant called on Kit Johnson Monday.

Mrs. Emily Wood and Mrs. Ethel Bywater called on Mrs. Earl Blodgett one day last week. They attended church in St. Louis Sunday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Chester Vore.

Mrs. Bernice Moline of Mt. Pleasant called on Mrs. Edna Schultz Sunday, and took her to Clare for dinner. They called on Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Gilmore at the Clare Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Alton Allen took Mrs. Emily Wood and Mrs. Ethel Bywater to a revival meeting at the Nazarine Church in St. Louis, last Wednesday evening. The Allens' son, Rev. Carl Allen, was the preacher for the meetings.

Mr. and Mrs. George Looman of Cedar Springs were Sunday afternoon guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Sprague.

Wm. Sprague was still in CMC Hospital this week, recovering after a heart attack last week.

EAST Coldwater

Esther Skinner, Reporter

Joyce Olger and Terry Sisco attended the Weidman Junior-Senior Prom and Banquet at the Holiday Inn Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Latham and Jim and Diana Beach of Vestaburg were Sunday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Olger.

Esther Skinner attended a VFW Auxiliary 11th District Rally at Shepherd Sunday, with six other women from 3033 Auxiliary of Mt. Pleasant.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Branson and family of Lansing spent the weekend with his father and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Branson.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Husted called on Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Tupper and family of Mt. Pleasant Sunday evening.

The Harold Skinner children spent the weekend with their uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Routheaux, of St. Louis.

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GIRLS URGED TO ENTER IN MISS ISABELLA QUEEN CONTEST AT COUNTY FAIR

The Isabella County Youth and Farm Fair is sponsoring again its "Miss Isabella County" Queen contest, to be held Aug. 22.

A contestant must be a high school graduate by Sept. 1, 1968. She must be not less than 17 years old and not more than 27, by Sept. 1, 1967. She must be sponsored by an Isabella County organization.

The Queen and four runners-up will receive various prizes from the Fair Board. Miss Isabella County will be eligible to participate in the Miss Michigan pageant in Muskegon in 1968.

The Fair's committee encourages all eligible girls to inquire. They also would like to encourage any Isabella County organization to invite a girl to participate. Those interested may contact Mr. and Mrs. Richard Stevens, phone Weidman, 644-2094.

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Nottawa

Amelia Wieber, Reporter

Ernie Rhode has purchased Mrs. Louise Riley's house in Nottawa.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Wawersik are the proud parents of a baby boy, born May 3 at CMC Hospital. They call him Kenneth Joseph. Mother and baby returned home Monday.

Mike Fussman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Fussman, and Marian McKillip, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond McKillip of Shepherd, will be married May 20 at St. Joseph's Catholic Church at 10 a. m. A breakfast will be served in the church basement. A reception will be held at 8 p. m. at the VFW Hall in Shepherd.

Margaret, Regina and Walter Wieber spent Sunday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Joe Kremsreiter and Richard. They both were get-

S.W. Sherman

Goldie Dutcher, Reporter

Earl Forbes of Fremont, Calif., drove up from Cleveland Monday evening to visit his wife, Imogene, at the home of her mother, Mrs. John Hibberd. Earl stayed till Wednesday.

Harry Hardenburg had surgery at the Greenville hospital Monday morning.

Mrs. Willard Ransom and son, Billy, are visiting her folks.

Mrs. John Hibberd and daughter, Mrs. Imogene Forbes, and son, were Saturday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Brand. Lucile Merrihew called on Mrs. Hibberd Monday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Orrie Merrihew and Orval and Mrs. Marion Beutler were among the many who attended Open House for Rev. and Mrs. Reynders Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. John Warner and family were Friday dinner guests of Mrs. Katherine McDaniel and family. Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Tabor spent the weekend. The Jim McDaniel family of Holt were callers.

Mrs. Carol Dutcher and Gena and Floyd Dutcher were Thursday luncheon guests of the Clayton Dutchers. Ronna Dutcher was a caller. Frank Secord called Thursday evening. He had just returned home after spending a couple of months in Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher visited Mr. and Mrs. Earl Dutcher of Breckenridge Sunday afternoon.

Ivan Dutcher of Mt. Pleasant called on the Ervin Dutchers Sunday forenoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Smith left late last Tuesday afternoon for Bobbitt, Minn. Charles Hibberd left Wednesday. He was planning to visit his daughter and her husband at Davison, then leave for Fremont, Calif. They had taken Madge Tietz to Freeland to the Tri-City Airport Wednesday morning to get her plane for her home in Deerfield, Florida. They all had been called home by the death of their father, John Hibberd.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Dutcher and Chris of rural Merrill were Monday callers of his folks, the Clayton Dutchers.

ting along real good, after being sick all winter.

Mr. and Mrs. Barney Gallagher of Coldwater Lake spent Friday with his cousin, Bernie Campbell, of Mt. Pleasant, and had dinner with them.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Martin and Mr. and Mrs. John Reihl spent Sunday afternoon with Margaret Wieber and family. Margaret is feeling real good again, after being sick all winter.

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NEWS NOTES

Blanche Carr was a Saturday afternoon caller of Connie Skinner.

Mrs. Hermione Smith spent Sunday with the Don Alwood family.

the Churches

FOREST HILL COMMUNITY CHURCH

Rev. Stanley Spires, Pastor

Services at the Forest Hill Community Church are at 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. on Sunday, with the Rev. Stanley L. Spires, minister.

Sunday school is at 10 a.m. with Youth Fellowship at 7 p.m.

On Wednesday, at 7:30 p.m. is the mid-week Praise service with choir practice for junior and senior choirs on Wednesday at 8:30 p.m. Recreation is Thursday at 7 p.m.

Around 90 persons attended the Saturday night fellowship supper in Drew Hall. This is a monthly occasion.

During the evening a "This Is Your Life" type of program honored Mrs. Flora Wood, Mrs. Hilda Smith and Mrs. Eva Denslow for the many hours of service to the church. The minister presented them with a plaque on which their names were added and engraved along with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Benn, Margie Denslow, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Cummings and Vera Smith. The plaque will hang in the church with more names to be added as honored.

The church is very proud of the bus recently purchased for special trips for the parishioners.

It was also announced that Mr. and Mrs. David Smith are the parents of a daughter, Kelly Marie, born April 26 at the Lakeview Hospital.

There was full service at both meetings Sunday. The altar was lined at both services.

The Church Board will meet Friday evening at 7 at the parsonage. Board members are urged to attend.

The Youth Group will sponsor a car wash Saturday, May 25. The place has not been decided as yet.

The bake sale sponsored by the Missionary last Saturday was very successful.

Next Sunday is Mother's Day, so let's honor her by attending church. If not ours, a church of your choice. We will be giving a flower to the oldest and the youngest mother, and the mother with the most children attending church that day.

WEIDMAN BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. Marvin Eldridge, Pastor

Sunday School, 10 a.m.

Church Service, 11 a.m.

Evening Service, 7.30 p.m.

Prayer meeting is Thursday evening, 7.30.

The Central Michigan Association of the regular Baptist Churches will be meeting at the St. Louis Children's Home Friday, 1 to 8.45 p.m. Some from the Weidman Baptist Church will attend.

tend. A missionary from the Philippines will speak Saturday at 6.30. A banquet will be held for the Seniors and also the High School at the regular Baptist Church at Mt. Pleasant.

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.

Saturday, 7 p.m., Junior-Senior Banquet and party. All Juniors and Seniors are invited to attend this dress-up affair. Supper at 7, entertainment follows.

Senior Youth Rally is May 15. We have been challenged to try and keep the plaque.

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Around Horr

Jessie Rosencrantz, Reporter

Mrs. Margaret Denslow and Mrs. Marie Evans were delegates to an Association for Childhood Education meeting at the Waverly High School in Lansing, an all-day meeting, Saturday. Mrs. Denslow spent the rest of the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Gary Denslow and Mrs. Earl Peacock.

Gene Thurber, Sidney Lawrence Mrs. Nora Jones and son, Merton, and Mr. and Mrs. Dick Youngs were callers at the Alva Cummins homes last week. The Youngs were Thursday callers, and also called at the Mack Denslow home. Mr. and Mrs. Cummins and Tracey's brother, Don, and wife were Sunday dinner guests of the Tracy Whites.

Mr. and Mrs. Olin Denslow and Lorraine were Sunday dinner guests of his mother, Mrs. Eva Denslow.

Mrs. Ellen Thompson continues to improve, at the hospital. Mr. and Mrs. John Thompson and family were weekend guests of the Jim Thompsons.

Kenny Oplinger entered the hospital in Midland, and underwent surgery Monday morning.

Mrs. Edna McDonald was a Wednesday dinner guest of her daughter, Mrs. Earl Oplinger.

Callers during the week at the Howard Wood home were Mr. and Mrs. Herman Meyers, Mr. and Mrs. Bernie Griffin of Ionia, George Eddy of Saranac, Ethel Smith, and Verlia Wilcox. Sunday callers were Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Bergquist, Mr. and Mrs. Rick Wood, Roxann and Tim, Vance and Diane Wood, and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Benn. The occasion honored Howard's 78th birthday Monday.

The John Warner family are enjoying their beautiful big trailer home next to Mrs. Guy Carr's.

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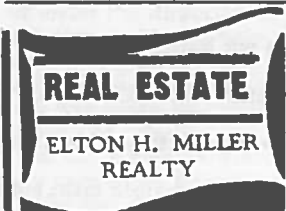
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