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JOHN S. WEIDMAN'S SHINGLE MILL CREW OF 1907--The above photo was loaned us by Frank Gross. These are the men who worked at the Weidman shingle mill when the town was very young. Behind the men, at the left in the photo, can be seen bundles of shingles turned out by the mill. Frank says there was no bank in Weidman at that time. Left to right in the photo, back row, are: Harvey Doan, Blondie Miller, Will Johnson, Oscar Adams, Bert Gross, Arthur Gross, George Woodin. Front row, kneeling: Carl Miller, Grover Bellows, Elmer Bowers, Frank Gross.

## WEIDMAN STATE BANK BROKEN INTO EARLY SATURDAY MORNING

The Weidman State Bank was broken into about 3.30 Saturday morning, but the would-be thief knocked off the combination knob on the outside door to the bank vault and set off the bank's outside alarm bell.

The alarm woke Jim Clark, at his home at the back of the IGA store next door. Jim called the State Police, who were here in a matter of minutes, it was reported.

The police said the call from Jim came in at 3.48 a.m.

The would-be bank robber fled when the alarm started sounding, but he left nothing behind to indicate identity.

Though the robber broke off the vault's combination-control knob, and started to drill through to knock out further controls, the drilling caused two steel bars to drop into place, locking the outside vault door. Inside, there is a key-operated fire door, and inside the fire door are two combination-operated safes. The safe containing cash amounts has a time lock that makes it impossible to open it before 8.30 in the morning.

Entry was gained by prying open the back door of the bank, after an attempt apparently was made to jimmy the front door. The robber did his work under a flood

light which lights the interior of the bank all through the night.

The outside alarm went on ringing from 3.30 a.m. to about 10 a.m., when bank people got a workman from the alarm company to disconnect wires. Otherwise there is no way to shut off the alarm, bank officials said. The alarm is battery operated, and, as Leon McArthur said, it must be a pretty good battery to keep going for over six hours on straight running.

This was the first attempt of robbery at the Weidman Bank since 1920, Leon McArthur said.

By Tuesday of this week, State Police reported they and the FBI were working on the case. Leon McArthur, president of the bank, said the FBI took over the ruined parts of the combination knob.

A new knob has been installed on the vault, Leon said; plus a new lock on the front door, which was jimmied but not opened; and a new door installed at the rear, where the would-be robbers tore off the door to get into the bank.

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Mrs. Leah Scharrer has been helping care for Jim Smith, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ted Smith, the past few days. Jim has been having extensive tests and x-rays, for the after-effects of shingles. He is at his home. A midland doctor said Monday it was a virus infection in his knee, caused by shingles.

## WEIDMAN LIONS CLUB

Emil Lueder, Reporter

The Weidman Lions Club met in the Methodist Church basement Wednesday evening, Feb. 21, for their regular session and a delicious spaghetti dinner with home made lemon pie.

There were 16 members present. The treasurer gave a report on the recent fish fry sponsored by the Lions, noting a gross of \$442.22, with a net profit of \$220.89.

It was voted to have another fish fry in the near future. Watch your Weidman Messenger and listen to the radio for the date.

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## BEAL CITY SENIOR CITIZENS ARE LIVELIEST IN COUNTY

The Beal City Senior Citizens group, nominally encompassing oldsters from Nottawa Township, is Isabella County's liveliest and most successful undertaking for recreation for retired folks.

Under leadership of Kate Cotter and Rose Schafer, the Senior Citizens of Beal City hold a pepper party every two weeks in the K. of C. Hall in Beal City. Retired people attend from all over: Mt. Pleasant, Coldwater Township, Sherman, Broomfield and Deerfield Townships, and of course, Weidman.

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## Men in Uniform

### JERRY TVORIK COMES HOME FROM GERMANY

The family of Mrs. Vera Tvorik is very happy after the arrival last Wednesday of Sp/4 Jerry Tvorik from Germany.

Jerry has his discharge, after serving his two years in the Armed Services.

His mother drove to Tri-Cities Airport in the early hours of last Wednesday morning and brought him home.

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In Vietnam, Lieut. Robert Tvorik is finishing his service at Vung Tau, near Saigon. He writes his mother that there is a 6 o'clock curfew there, affecting the American soldiers as well as the Vietnamese.

He said that Vung Tau was the only city of its size not hit by Viet Cong raiders near Saigon, during the terrorist attacks.

A new commander is working with Bob to take over when he starts for home April 2.

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Mr. and Mrs. Roy Adams went with their grandson, Harold (Butch) Adams, of Lake, to Tri-Cities Airport Thursday, as he left for Vietnam.

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Mike Theisen returned home last Tuesday night, after fulfilling his military service, in Germany.

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Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Maeder are hearing regularly from their son, Sp/4 Roger Maeder, from Vietnam.

Roger is in the Engineering Headquarters, building roads and bridges and so on. He sometimes wonders why they build them, he says, as they are blown up as fast as they are built.

Good luck, Roger, and see you in May.

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### MILITARY FUNERAL FOR RICHARD WENDEL

The body of A-Z-1 Richard Wendel, son of Claude Wendel, was brought home from South Vietnam, where he was killed in combat, in defense of Saigon in the recent major offense against that city by the Viet Cong.

Richard was a non-commissioned officer of the U.S. Navy, and had been in service 19 years.

He was laid to rest in the Gilmore Cemetery, with full military honors by the U.S. Naval Reserve of Flint, Saturday afternoon.

His relatives and friends have the sympathy of all.

## Walker Creek News

Esther Stanley, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Emmons and grandson, Eddie John, visited Mrs. Ethel McLean Friday evening. Arthur Loomis visited them Friday. Mr. and Mrs. Lester Badder of Belding were weekend guests. Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Bobroski, their son-in-law and daughter, moved from Mt. Pleasant to a house they purchased from the Coldwater oil field and moved to a corner of the Emmons farm.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Miller of Barryton visited Mr. and Mrs. Howard Monroe and Blane Thursday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Harlan Shook of Averill visited Saturday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Monroe and Blane attended a Singspiration at Brinton Chapel Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Geasler of Remus spent Thursday with her sister, Mrs. Ethel McLean, Earl splitting wood for the fire and Helen helping clean house. Little Tony Davis carries wood for her each evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Touchinski of Mt. Pleasant and Misses Kay, Cheryl and Valerie Leiter called on their grandmother Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Keith Loomis and daughters visited Mr. and Mrs. Charles Loomis and family Friday evening. Virgil Loomis and children spent Saturday afternoon at his brother's home.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Dosenberry visited his sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Cluchey, of Rodney, Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Ronald De Vries and Rhonda of Big Rapids and Mr. and Mrs. Willis Finney and sons were Sunday dinner guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Denslow, and Denise.

Mr. and Mrs. Lou Gray were Mt. Pleasant shoppers Saturday. They visited Mr. and Mrs. Lee Navarre Sunday afternoon, and were supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Gary Portenga and family in the evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Denslow visited Mr. and Mrs. Micky Dargitz and family of rural Remus Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Hazen Thompson visited Mr. and Mrs. Jack Thompson Monday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Thompson and Ralph visited her father and sister, Mr. Oliver and Mrs. Coleman, at Remus, Saturday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Oliver, Jr., and four children of Cedar Springs visited them Sunday afternoon.

Miss Carol Wezensky of Mt. Pleasant visited Mr. and Mrs. Keith Thompson Sunday afternoon.

Craig and Roddy Thompson visited their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Courser, of Two Rivers, Sunday afternoon.

Sunday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Keith Thompson and Craig and Roddy, to enjoy a delicious home made ice cream and cake lunch, were Mr. and Mrs. Hazen Thompson and Ralph, Dale Denslow and friend, and Mr. and Mrs. Russell Stanley.

Mr. and Mrs. Del Esterline and family of Farwell were Saturday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Warren Leiter and family.

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

Mrs. Ida Bazaire was a Friday overnight and Saturday guest of her daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Zill, and family.

Sunday dinner guests at the Zill home were his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Rolland Zill of St. Charles, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Langworthy of Greenville, and Mr. and Mrs. Gary St. John and Deana and Michael of Weidman.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Schrock were Saturday supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Schrock. Mr. and Mrs. Roger Bragg and son of rural Mt. Pleasant visited Mr. and Mrs. Schrock Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Barry Conley were Sunday dinner guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Suman, of Weidman.

Mrs. Lena St. John, Mrs. Clayton Beutler and Mary went to Big Rapids Saturday afternoon, visiting Mrs. Jennie Krauser, who came to spend a few days with Mrs. St. John. She and Mrs. Nina Forbes of Weidman were guests at Sunday dinner. Mr. and Mrs. Russell Wilson and Mrs. Margaret Hathaway visited Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Ward Loomis of Sherman City and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Showers of Barryton were Sunday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Otto Skalitzy. Mrs. Skalitzy reports that Mrs. Kate Darnell is still quite ill, but may be able to leave the hospital soon.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Voss and Stacey visited Mr. and Mrs. Joe Wilmot and family of Weidman Saturday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Voss and son, Chuckie, were Sunday supper guests. Glad to hear that little Chuckie is doing fine.

Mr. and Mrs. Adelbert Pung and Susan and Sandra of St. Johns were Friday overnight and Saturday guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Stanley. They and Mr. and Mrs. Donald Pung and family of Beal City were Saturday supper guests. David Moore of Saginaw was also a weekend guest, taking his grandparents to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Andy Stanley and family of Barryton for Sunday dinner, honoring Andy's birthday. Miss Nancy McDonald of Detroit, who is a sorority sister of Marsha Kay at Ferris State College, spent the weekend with

her and was also a dinner guest.

Mr. and Mrs. Bud Shepherd and Mrs. Doris Mitchell of Clare called on Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Sunday evening.

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Mrs. Eathyl Beers of north Brinton just called, saying three robins had arrived. Maybe (?) spring is just around the corner. Wish I had a magic wand, but glad to settle for warmer weather. Sure seems good.

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### FARWELL TOPS MEMBERS VISIT WEIDMAN CLUB

Ten members of the Farwell Hills TOPS Club visited the meeting of the Weidman Hep TOPS girls last Tuesday evening, at their regular get-together at the Weidman School. Two ladies from Barryton also attended, to get information with a view of forming a TOPS Club in that area.

Thirty-nine Weidman members were present at the meeting, and a weight loss of 33 pounds was reported for 19 of them, while 17 gained 20 1/4 pounds, with two members at the same weight as before.

Ann Lawler and Pauline Branson

tied for Queen for the week.

Three new members were admitted, and there was much discussion on State Recognition Day.

Bessie Allen read Thank-you notes from two servicemen who received boxes of goodies from the club. The boys were Jim Dutcher and Bob Tvorik.

The club meets each Tuesday evening at the Weidman School at 7 p.m.

See you lighter.

Ettabelle Sellers, Reporter.

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### THE CLAYTON SMITHS SEND FRUIT TO THEIR FAMILIES

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Smith, who are wintering in Ruskin, Florida, recently sent boxes of Florida fruit to the families of their children here, the Ray Smiths and the Ted Smiths.

In a previous item we mentioned only the Ted Smiths--but of course Clay and Clara sent gifts of the luscious fruit to both Ted's and Ray's families.

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Mrs. Kit Johnson entered CMC Hospital last Tuesday evening for observation. She expected to be home the first of the week.

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### CAKES FOR ALL OCCASIONS--

I am taking orders during the absence of Daisy Embrey. Call 644-2107 for your cake order. Lela Johnson, Weidman. Feb. 15th

FOR SALE--Horses, ponies, saddles, bridles. We do hoof trimming. Rockin' G Ranch, 1 1/2 miles south of Catholic Church, Winn. Feb. 22t2p

NO TRAPPING--Without permission, on my 40 acres a mile south of Coldwater Lake, being the sw 1/4 of the se 1/4 of section 31, Nottawa Township. Any person wishing to retrieve traps previously laid may call at my residence, 1014 Glen Ave., Mt. Pleasant. Vincent Brown, DDS. Feb. 29t1

## Notice

Notice is hereby given to all persons liable to assessment for taxes in the TOWNSHIP OF SHERMAN, County of Isabella, State of Michigan:

That the Assessment Roll of said Township as prepared by the undersigned will be subject to inspection at the TOWNSHIP HALL in said Township, on MARCH 5th, 1968, and on the following day if necessary; also on MONDAY AND TUESDAY, March 11th and 12th, 1968.

Clyde J. Beutler  
Supervisor of said Township.  
Feb. 29t2

PROBATE NOTICES--Ask to have yours printed in your home paper, the Messenger.

## Notice

MEETING OF BOARD OF REVIEW NOTICE, That the Board of Review of Nottawa Township will meet Tuesday, March 5; Monday, March 11, and Tuesday, March 12, from 9 a. m. to 12 and from 1 p. m. to 4 p. m.; For the purpose of reviewing the assessment roll of said township.

Ernest Schmidt  
Nottawa Township  
Supervisor  
Feb. 29t2

## Card of Thanks

We want to thank the community for the prayers, gifts, letters and cards on our birthday and at Christmas time;

Rev. Father Neubecker for the numerous Masses for Boys in the Armed Services; the Knights of Columbus; the Altar Sodality, and personal offerings.

Words cannot express our appreciation to Connie, who has kept us in contact with our many friends.

Physically we are far apart, but spiritually we are kept close together.

May God bless everyone for us. Thank you all.

Jack Cotter  
Richard Zeien

## Card of Thanks

We wish to thank the many who were so kind to us in the loss of our loved one;

Neighbors, for their thoughtful assistance; the Stinson Funeral Home, for its consideration; Father Neubecker for his words of comfort;

Also a special thanks to Helen Simmer for her work on the dinner for the family, and Mr. and Mrs. John Cotter for their untiring assistance and sympathy.

The Family of  
Mrs. Cyrena P. Howell

HOME PAPER FOR THE WEST HALF OF ISABELLA COUNTY

## Card of Thanks

The Weidman Lions members wish to thank all those who worked so hard at the fish supper.

Also they wish to thank the Chippewa Hills School District for the use of their cafeteria and other facilities.

We hope everyone enjoyed the fish prepared by the men.

Weidman Lions Club

## Card of Thanks

I was recently in the hospital for a lengthy time, and people were very wonderful to me.

I wish to express my heartfelt appreciation to the many relatives, friends and neighbors for their cards, letters, calls and gifts, while I was in the hospital;

Also to the doctors and nurses at CMC Hospital, who were so good to me.

Thank you from the bottom of my heart.

Emily Wood

## the Churches

WEIDMAN BAPTIST CHURCH  
Rev. Marvin Eldridge, Pastor  
Sunday School, 10 a. m.  
Church Service, 11 a. m.  
Evening Service, 7.30 p. m.

The Weidman Baptist Church sponsored a basketball game Friday evening with the Lake Baptist Church. Weidman won. The game was at the Weidman School.

The Weidman Baptists met with the Brinton Chapel members Sunday evening. Rev. and Mrs. Henry Hulbert had special music and showed slides of the Holy Land.

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BRINTON CHAPEL  
Norman R. Brines, Pastor  
Sunday School, 10 a. m.  
Morning Worship, 11 a. m.  
2nd Sunday of the Month, 7 p. m.

Wednesday: Choir practice, 7 p. m. Prayer and Bible Study, 7.30 p. m.

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THE FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST  
GILMORE

George Getchel, Minister  
10 a. m., Morning Worship and Communion service.  
11 a. m., Bible School classes for every age.

7.30 p. m., Evening Worship.  
Wednesday at 7 p. m., Bible study.

Coming Events: Junior Youth Rally at Vestaburg this Saturday, March 2.

Father and Son Banquet coming. No date set as yet.

Bible Bowl contests cover the Gospel of Luke. Youth versus

adults. No date set as yet.

Evangelistic revival in June, which could be the most significant meeting this church has ever had. The entire community is invited. Dates later.

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FOREST HILL  
COMMUNITY CHURCH  
Rev. Stanley L. Spires, Pastor  
Sunday School, 10 a. m.  
Preaching, 11 a. m.  
Youth Fellowship, 6.45 p. m.  
Evangelistic Hour, 7.30 p. m.  
Mid-week Prayer Meeting, Wednesday, 7.30 p. m.  
Choir practice, Wednesday, at 8.30 p. m.

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WEIDMAN METHODIST  
Rev. James Linton, Pastor  
Sunday School, 9.45 a. m.  
Morning Worship, 11 a. m.  
Deerfield: 9.30, 10.45 a. m.

## NorthWeidman

Elvah Gott, Reporter

Rev. Marvin Eldridge called on Mr. and Mrs. Roy Adams on Monday.

Lee Ann Abbott is entertaining the mumps this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Abbott and grandson, Tom Abbott, called on Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Hunt of Barryton Sunday.

Sunday dinner guests at the Mitchell Abbott home were Mrs. Muriel Miller and family, Mrs. Lois Knollenberg and family of Mt. Pleasant.

Saturday dinner guests at the Gerald Latham home were Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hard and family of Freeland, Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Olger of Brinton and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Latham. Mr. and Mrs. Clell Latham and family were dinner guests Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Blodgett attended the card party at Brinton Hall Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Abbott put on a going-away party for their son, Jim, Saturday evening. Among those present were the Walter Faber family, Beverly Abbott and friend, Mr. and Mrs. Don Abbott, Mr. and Mrs. Orval Abbott, and many of Jim's friends.

Sunday dinner guests at the Norman Abbott home were Mrs. Ruth Williams of Dansville, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Merindorf, also of Dansville, and Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Stetler of Mason.

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## Local Items

Mrs. Carl Beutler and Mrs. Clyde Beutler attended a dinner and meeting in honor of Mrs. Louise Travis, Grand Martha of the Grand Chapter of Michigan, OES, Friday evening at Shepherd. Mrs. Travis lives at Shepherd.

Mr. and Mrs. Gary St. John and family were Sunday dinner guests of his folks, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Zill. Mr. and Mrs. Gary Leiter and family were Sunday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. St. John and family.

## N. Broomfield

Maycie Cook, Reporter

Mrs. Glee Krueger and children and Herman and Aliance Cook were Saturday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Leon Schafer and children of Weidman, in honor of Bland's fourth birthday.

Roderick Nicholson and Maycie Cook called on their sister, Mrs. Frances Handy, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Adam Handy in Evert, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Perry Haas of Alma were Sunday visitors of Mrs. Eda Van Zandt.

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Cooper of Kalamazoo, with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bud Hines, and daughters, were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Hines. Mr. and Mrs. Gene Flachs and Mrs. Donna Hines and children were afternoon callers.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Gostola and Mike and Dixie were Sunday afternoon visitors of Mrs. E. Rhode and Harold. Mrs. Bea Adams was a Monday afternoon caller.

Miss Elsie Richardson and Geo. Dodge of Owosso were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Cook and family.

Mrs. Maycie Cook and Mrs. Ed Smith of Mt. Pleasant were Friday guests of Mrs. May Forner of Holt.

Herman and Aliance Cook and Mrs. Glee Krueger spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Francis Mead of rural Mt. Pleasant.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Bergquist of Marion spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Orves Cook.

Sandra Cook called on Mrs. Nettie Crowley Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Orves Cook and Darla and Mrs. Richard Cook and children, Keith, Kathy and Terry Krueger were Sunday evening

guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Cook. Don Swan of Mt. Pleasant is at his home, suffering crushed toes by a falling log at his work Thursday for the Gatehouse Brothers.

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## Around Horr

Jessie Rosencrantz, Reporter

Jessie Rosencrantz was a Wednesday supper guest at the Gerald Losey home, celebrating Gerald's birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Al Cochran and Mickey were Saturday dinner guests of the Loseys. Mr. and Mrs. Harold Losey were Sunday dinner guests. Mrs. Marilyn Losey and Jessie Rosencrantz called on Mrs. Grisdale at Pleasant Manor, and on Mrs. Ethel Bywater at the Medical Facilities, and also called on Mrs. Liza Losey and Mrs. Besie Price, Thursday.

Mrs. Irene Keck of Ashley spent the weekend with the Joe Martin family. On Saturday, Mr. and Mrs. Martin and Brad and Mrs. Keck called on their father, Leo Bahr, of Copemish.

Mrs. Lois Losey called on Yours Truly Sunday afternoon. Mrs. Alma White was a Monday morning caller.

Mr. and Mrs. Hazen Thompson were Friday callers at the Jack Thompson home. Mrs. Myrtie Pridgeon and Inola McClain were Saturday callers. Mr. and Mrs. Chuck Wilson and children and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Thompson and boys were Sunday dinner guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Denslow and Brenda and Mark of Jackson spent the weekend with his mother, Mrs. Margaret Denslow.

Mr. and Mrs. Garth Lawrence and Pam of Midland spent the weekend with his mother, Mrs. Nettie Lawrence.

Callers of Mrs. Flora Wood dur-

ing last week were Mrs. Helen Smith, Mrs. Ula Cummins, Mrs. Nettie Lawrence, Mrs. Peggy McClain, Mrs. Myrtie Pridgeon, Mr. and Mrs. Jay Bailey and daughter, Lynn, Mrs. Albertha Bailey and daughter, Gail, and Mrs. Robert Bailey, all of Pontiac. Mrs. Jerry (Schauppner) Darnell and two sons, Jay and Bill Rosselot, of Detroit, and Mrs. Marian Brant and daughter, Kay, of Grant, were also callers. Mrs. Darnell and Mrs. Brant were here to attend the funeral of their uncle, Floyd Kew, at Barryton. Mrs. Flora Wood was a Saturday supper guest at the Vance Wood home, celebrating the first birthday of Lisa Ann Suman.

Mrs. Betty Thompson called on Mrs. Joanne Simons of Barryton Monday evening. Wednesday she attended the Edna Carrie Circle at the Remus church. Saturday she attended a Chippewa Hills' Junior Band District Festival at Reed City. Several children from this vicinity took part.

Tim Workman was a Saturday overnight and Sunday guest of the Thompson boys.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Oplinger attended an NFO meeting at the Deerfield Township Hall Tuesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Cummins and Mr. and Mrs. Garth Lawrence and Pam were Saturday callers at the Tracy White home, and they all went fishing on Jenison Lake. Mr. and Mrs. Bill Cum-

mins were Sunday evening callers of the Whites.

Callers during the week at the Paul Miller home were Rev. Lyons, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Covert and Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Sisco and Barbara. Sunday guests were Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Wright of Pontiac, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Bergquist of Mt. Pleasant, and Mrs. Flora Wood.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Denslow and family of Lansing were Sunday dinner guests of his mother, Mrs. Eva Denslow.

Aisher Dent and Mrs. Sherman were Saturday supper guests of his son, Gerald, and family.

Harry Dent was a Thursday overnight guest of Mr. and Mrs. Larry Dent of Lansing. He was a Friday overnight guest of his sister and family, the Chuck Robertses.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Krueger and children were Sunday supper guests of her parents. Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Johnson and children were Sunday evening callers. Mrs. Nada McWilliams and daughter, Kathy, were Wednesday evening visitors. Mr. and Mrs. Dent called on her mother, Mrs. Emily Wood, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Touchinski were Sunday dinner guests of her parents, the Elwood Millers. Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Owens were Monday morning callers.

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## Beal City

Dora Smith, Reporter

### ENTERTAIN THEIR CLUB

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Fussman entertained their club Sunday evening.

Prizes were won by Mrs. Julius Bierschbach and Tom Bierschbach, first, and Mrs. Rose Kremsreiter and Frank Schafer, second. Ally Andres won the pepper prize.

The next meeting will be at the Thomas Bierschbach home.

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Mr. and Mrs. Willard Thelen visited at the Bob Pung home Sunday evening. Mary was in the hospital for a checkup.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Schafer, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Joslin and son and Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Klumpp and girls of Mt. Pleasant and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Schafer and boys called on Anthony Schafer Sunday to wish him a Happy Birthday. He was 83 years old Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Pung and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Schafer visited Ernest Gross at CMC Hospital Sunday afternoon. They also visited Peter Esch at the Medical Facility. They reported both feeling better.

A large number from here attended a party at St. Leo's Church basement Sunday evening.

Larry Egbert, Jr., spent Thursday evening with Philip Ludwig.

Wednesday evening Mrs. Egbert took a group of children roller skating. They all enjoyed themselves.

Mr. and Mrs. Gary Riggles spent Friday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Tex Schafer.

Mr. and Mrs. Al Philo, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Onstott, Mrs. Shirley Egbert, and Miss Frances Riggles spent Saturday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Chelsea Latham.

Carol Onstott called on Mr. and Mrs. Gary Riggles Wednesday afternoon.

Callers at the Walter Rau home Sunday afternoon were Mr. and Mrs. Allen Tilmann, Mr. and Mrs. Don Tilmann of Mt. Pleasant, and Louise Smith.

Will Pung and his sister, Mrs. O'Connor, went to Detroit last week to visit their brother, who was in the hospital.

Oscar Fedewa of Houghton Lake spent Tuesday with Mr. and Mrs. Edward Blasen and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Gallagher called on Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Yunker Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Finnerty and family spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Tony Tilmann.

Dora Smith called on Kitty Gross Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Edward Blasen spent Thursday with Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Trowbridge and family in Midland.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Blasen spent Sunday at Houghton Lake, celebrating the birthday of her father, Oscar Fedewa, at the

home of his sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Willie Rouser.

Mr. and Mrs. John Birgy and Amy Jo, Jim Birgy and Roxanne Schafer were Sunday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Sheppard. Mr. and Mrs. Jim Sheppard and family of Mt. Pleasant were callers.

Mr. and Mrs. David Brown of Big Rapids called on Mr. and Mrs. Harry Schafer Sunday afternoon.

All of the children and some close friends of Louis Rau helped celebrate his birthday Sunday evening, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dale Noble.

Mrs. Leona Simmer of Mt. Pleasant called on Mrs. Effie Schafer Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Schumacher spent Wednesday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Julius Bierschbach. The Bierschbachs had just returned from a visit with Dianne and Tom Schumacher, and also with their son, Bill, in North Carolina. Both Tom and Bill are stationed at Fort Bragg.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Grinzinger made a business trip to Grand Rapids Thursday. On the way home they stopped at Saranac to visit Mrs. Grinzinger's brother, Joseph Reamer.

Mrs. Leo Schafer spent all day Thursday with her daughter, Mrs. Floyd Hauck, and family.

Mrs. Robert Lyon and Mike and Susan of Mt. Pleasant spent Tuesday with her sister, Mrs. Judy Schumacher, and children, Steve, Doug and Pam.

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WEST

## Nottawa

Helen Alwood, Reporter

### ENTERTAIN THEIR CLUB

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Block entertained their club Sunday evening.

Pepper was played, and nice prizes won by Isadore Schafer and Kate Cotter, high, Herb Yunker and Blanche Schafer low, and Max Straus, pepper.

Lunch was served, and a good time was had by all. The next club meeting will be March 9, at the Herb Yunker home.

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### ATTEND MILK PRODUCERS DINNER AT THE EMBERS

Among those attending the lovely dinner the Milk Producers Association put on at The Embers last Thursday noon were the Richard and Gerald Pohls, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Fox, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Lawens, the Frank and John Haupts, the Francis Englers, and the Ron Hubers.

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Weekend guests at the Gerald Maeder home were Mr. and Mrs. Walter Kornexl and Mr. and Mrs. Steve Kornexl of Saginaw, and Mr. and Mrs. Al Lintemuth and baby, Chet, of Lansing.

Many from this area attended a chili supper put on by the Beal City cheerleaders at Beal City last Thursday evening.

Mrs. Don Alwood and Jim and

Cathy enjoyed a special meeting at the Brinton Chapel Sunday evening. Many from the Weidman area attended. Rev. and Mrs. Henry Hulbert of Tustin showed slides and provided special singing for the meeting.

Sunday supper guests at the Julius Schumacher home were Mr. and Mrs. Lindy Swan and son of Milan, Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Pohl and family and Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Klumpp and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Smith and children and Jim and Donny Alwood enjoyed sledding on Strawberry Hill Sunday afternoon. Little Alice Smith stayed with Aunt Helen Alwood and Cathy. Saturday afternoon Helen and all the children enjoyed an outing on the hill.

Mr. and Mrs. Harris Diehl and children of Remus visited at the Richard Pohl home Friday evening. Miss Karen Pohl and friend, Jeanetta Gartow, of Grand Rapids, spent the weekend with her parents.

Neighbors and friends have called on Mrs. Lillian Johnston at CMC Hospital. They report Lillian is coming along good, and will soon be discharged. She plans to spend a few days at the John Hogue home in Clare.

Sunday dinner guests at the Fred Swan home were Mr. and Mrs. John Costa of Lansing, Mr. and Mrs. Lindy Swan and son of Milan, Buck Swan of Flint, Mr. and Mrs. Basil Rogers and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Cole and family. The Costas spent from Sunday till Tuesday with the Swans.

Buck Swan of Flint called at the Don Alwood home Sunday to see when his old buddy, Rusty, would be arriving home from California.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy S. Adams called at the Don Alwood home Thursday and then went on to see Roy's brother, Charles, in Clare. Mrs. Adams was enjoying a few days off from her work at the State Home.

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### FLAG PRESENTED 11TH GRADERS AT BEAL CITY

Esther Skinner, treasurer and Past President of the Borley-Hanel VFW Auxiliary No. 3033 of Mt. Pleasant, presented an American flag to the 11th Grade of the Beal City High School at the school's PTA meeting last Tuesday, Feb. 20.

Those present to receive the flag included the class advisor, Mrs. Laymon, and class members Pam Schafer, Christy Brickner, Gerald Zeien, Tom Hauck, and Jackie Andres.



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**Central Gilmore**

Lola Fordyce, Reporter

Last Wednesday Donna Buchel underwent an operation on her lip.

Cherry Gottleber returned home from the hospital Wednesday, following an operation.

Mrs. Lola Fordyce called on Mrs. Alma Perry and Mrs. Anna Wood of Farwell Wednesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Vanece of Dearborn were callers at the Walter Faber home Saturday evening.

Alvin Wood is in the Clare hospital.

Mrs. Florence Schumacher is in the Midland hospital.

Mrs. Francis Phipps has been quite ill with mumps.

Greg Pitts went to Plymouth, Wis., this weekend to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Elwyn Pitts, and family.

Mrs. Agnes Fuller and Mrs. Harriett Baker spent Sunday with Mrs. Fuller's son and family at Houghton Lake.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Pitts and Mr. and Mrs. Egbert Fordyce attended a WWI dinner and meeting at Clare Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Wilson and Debbie of Clare visited Mr. and Mrs. Dick Crane and family Friday evening for supper. Their grandson, Matt Crane, is sick with mumps. They brought him a nice surprise, making him forget the mumps for a while.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. L. Phillips were pleasantly surprised by a visit from her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Stevens, of Sanford, and her nephew and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Harley Lester Stevens, and family, of Flint, Sunday.

Mrs. Lois Graham and Mrs. Joyce Crane spent a day visiting. They visited Mrs. Marilyn Pitchford, the occasion being Allen's fifth birthday party. They also visited Mrs. Alma Perry, Mrs. Anna Wood and Mrs. Lola Graham.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Rhode called on Eldon Jackson one day last week. Eldon was feeling pretty good, and wanted to be remembered to everyone up here. He says he enjoys reading about his old neighbors and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Shaner and family went to Kentucky to visit their son, Walter. He has been in training there for some time, but was being moved to New Jersey.

Mrs. John Dunbar, Mrs. Young and daughter of Mt. Pleasant called on Mrs. Mattie Wood Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Lena Davison of Ann Arbor and Mrs. Inez Bentley of Farwell were visitors at the Egbert Fordyce home all day Monday.

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Mrs. Neva Kirvan of Traverse City spent Friday night and Saturday with her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Frantz. Neva spent Sunday with her daughter, Mrs. Clarence King.

EAST

**Coldwater**

Esther Skinner, Reporter

Geraldine Olger called on her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Latham, Saturday, to see her sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hard, and children of Free-land. She called on her parents also Tuesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Letson of Mt. Pleasant called on Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Olger Monday afternoon. Maizie Latham of Mt. Pleasant also called on the Olgers.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Lofgren and family called on Frank and Ernie Gross of Weidman Wednesday evening. They called on the Gerald Recker family Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Cotter of Mt. Pleasant called on the Lofgrens Sunday. The Cotter children have mumps.

Carl and Ellen Geasler called on Mr. and Mrs. Paul Miller Monday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Skinner and children called on Mr. and Mrs. Rex Allen of Blanchard Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Noble and children of Lucas called on the Skinner family Sunday.

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**In the Editor's Mail**

(Editor's Note: The following letter is an example of what we want to get when we write our Congressmen on any and all questions.

(We have written many letters to Congressmen and State Legislators, usually with no reply; or, as in the case of Sen. Philip Hart one time, a terse statement that the Senator would vote according to his conscience and back-woods constituents please leave him be. At least that was our feeling after reading one of Sen. Hart's letters.

(The following letter is one we feel is sincere, and an indication that the Hon. Elford Cederberg pays attention to what the home-folks think and write. Here is Rep. Cederberg's letter, a very fine one, in our estimation.)

Mr. and Mrs. George Skinner  
Weidman Messenger  
Weidman, Michigan

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Skinner:

I want to thank you for sending me your views on the so-called "gold cover" legislation. This measure was presented to us for a vote in the House of Representatives on Wednesday (Feb. 21) and I voted against it. The measure passed by a close vote of 199 to 190.

In my opinion there are good reasons for maintaining a substantial gold reserve. Having misgivings about the legislation as presented, I opposed it.

Some of the claims were that enactment of this bill would re-

store confidence in our international commitments. One of the most positive ways we could restore confidence would be to put our fiscal house in order by curtailing unnecessary spending projects, move toward a balanced budget and begin reducing our national debt.

Thanks again for expressing your opinion to me.

Sincerely yours,  
Elford (Al) A. Cederberg,  
House of Representatives  
Washington, D.C.

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**Local Items**

Walter Kirvan of Grand Rapids was a Thursday visitor of Mrs. Emily Wood. Flora Wood was a Friday caller. Ray Kirvan of Big Rapids and Neva Kirvan of Traverse City were Saturday callers. Mr. and Mrs. Otis Kirvan of Oscoda were Sunday guests.

Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Sprague called on Mr. and Mrs. Ron Rada-baugh of Lake Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Snyder of Ithaca were Saturday supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ronny Sprague and family. Mr. and Mrs. James Sutton of Ashley were Saturday night and Sunday guests. Mary Ann Bruce and children were Sunday dinner guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Orval Wiggins of Farwell were Sunday afternoon visitors of the Wm. Wilcox family.

Mr. and Mrs. Steve Starks of

Grand Rapids spent Friday and Saturday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Adams, and family.

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

**Brinton News**

Cora Estes, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Levi Longton and Frances Beck called Sunday at the Bill Donley home near Winn, where they met Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Harrigan of Greenville.

Several from here attended the Senior Citizens' card party Thursday afternoon at Beal City.

Another oil well is being drilled in Mecosta County.

A large attendance at the Brinton Chapel Sunday evening enjoyed a joint meeting with the Weidman Baptist members.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Latham spent Sunday afternoon at the Elinor Doerr home in Mecosta.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Baker were in Saginaw Monday.

Ed Olger, who had a light stroke and is still bedfast, is not improving at this writing. Dale Olger, a grandson, is doing their chores.

The Kenneth Baker family attended a family dinner at the Clifford Cheadle home in Grand Rapids Sunday. They also called on the Keith Bakers in Wyoming.

Mrs. Larry Baker and son, Chris, were Friday afternoon and evening visitors at the Ken Baker home.

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# CHIPPEWA HILLS NTP CLUB MEETS AT BARRYTON

Thirty-five members of the non-teaching personnel of the Chippewa Hills school district met at the Barryton Building last Wednesday evening, Feb. 21.

Purpose was to form a club of non-teaching personnel of the district. Aim of the club is to secure harmony and best possible working conditions for the employees.

The Board of Education of the Chippewa Hills district have indicated they wish to meet with representatives of each group of non-teaching personnel.

The following were elected to represent individual groups:

Custodians: R. J. Gardner, Barryton, and Donald Kimball, Remus. Cooks: Nina Carrick, Weidman, and Edith Stickler, Remus; bus drivers, Conrad Smith, Remus, and Stanley Spires, Weidman; mechanics, John Cross, Mecosta, and Donald Starr, Weidman; and secretaries, Fern Beutler, Weidman, and Freda Hein, central office.

Officers were elected as follows: President, Stanley Spires; vice president, Donald Kimball; secretary-treasurer, Fern Beutler.

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# CECIL EPPLER APPOINTED DRAIN COMMISSIONER

Prosecuting Attorney David E. Burrows, County Clerk Maynard S. Gilmore, and Judge of Probate Burke McClintic, pursuant to the provisions of Act 199 of the Public Acts of 1923, met Feb. 20 and appointed Cecil W. Eppler to fill the vacancy of Isabella County drain commissioner created by the resignation of Rollen A. Gross recently. The appointment will complete the unexpired term of Mr. Gross, and is effective beginning March 1.

The committee received 11 applications, and at two previous meetings had personally interviewed each applicant. After due consideration, the committee unanimously made the appointment of Mr. Eppler.

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# BEAL CITY FFA WINS REGIONAL CONTEST

The parliamentary procedure team of the Beal City Future Farmers of America Chapter won first place in the regional leadership contest in Fremont Feb. 22, Duane Patrick, advisor, reports.

Members of the winning team are Harold Reihl chairman; Gerald Zeien, secretary; and members Richard Maeder, Tim Hauck, Charles Garrett and Allen Schmidt.

This is the first time a Beal City team has won in regional competition. The team now will enter the state contest during the annual FFA convention at Michigan State University March 20-22.

The Beal City demonstration team of Bruce Clare and Jim Engler received a silver rating.

# JEAN BROWN ESCAPES INJURY AS SHE STEPS IN TRAP

Mrs. Vincent Brown (Jean Garner) of Mt. Pleasant narrowly escaped injury Sunday afternoon when she stepped into a trap set in a path on a 40-acre wooded piece a mile south of Coldwater Lake.

The Browns purchased the farm several years ago as a family recreation spot, as the Coldwater River runs through the piece and there are beautiful wooded spots. In addition, the Browns planted hundreds of pine seedlings upon their purchase of the place, planning a future wilderness paradise for city people--themselves.

They were beset by vandalism and misfortunes from the start, experiencing everything from college beer busts on their place to the digging up of some of their evergreen trees, now growing into beautiful size.

Sunday the Browns were at their Nottawa Township hideaway, and their English setter stepped into a trap set near the river's edge. Jean Brown started running down a path to free the dog, and she stepped into a second trap.

In all, three traps were located by the Browns; and they were baited with the following: One dead raccoon, part of a rabbit, a piece of deer meat.

The Browns have not given anyone permission to trap on their woodlands.

"We're glad to have others enjoy the beauty of our little wilderness," Jean Brown told her aunt, Connie Skinner, Monday, "but we're having an awful time trying to keep it a clean and safe place for everyone, including ourselves."

The Coldwater Lake area, on all sides, is indeed beautiful recreation land, and it is especially so along the Coldwater River as it flows south of the lake. Many landowners there have lovely recreation spots.

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# Local Items

Mrs. Clyde Beutler spent Saturday afternoon with her daughter, Mrs. Robert Tibbetts, in East Lansing.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Herman were Sunday dinner guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Martin Boger.

Mrs. Howard Bywater visited her uncle, Lyle Gray, at Lake Ann, near Traverse City, Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Riley and family visited his brother, Donald Riley, in Nottawa, Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Abendroth of Lake Windoga were Wednesday supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Gary St. John and family. Saturday guests were Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Warner and family of Clare.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Herman visited Mrs. Ethel Bywater at the Medical Care Facilities in Mt. Pleasant Sunday afternoon.

# West Gilmore

Lena Cole, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Swan were Tuesday afternoon callers of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Cole. Mrs. Hugh Douglas spent Wednesday with the Coles.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Shaner and children, Charlene and Stanley, and Mr. and Mrs. Allen Shaner and Kathy, Miss Betty Baxter and Miss Margie Fox enjoyed a trip to Fort Knox, Ky., last week to visit the Shaners' son, Walter, who was stationed there. He has now been transferred to Fort Dix, N.J., for eight weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Scotty McKinsey of north of Clare visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roger Hart, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Claris Allen are on the sick list. Mrs. Allen came home from the hospital Sunday. It was found she has sugar. Mr. Allen is taking tests for sugar.

Wayne Curtis' mother suffered a heart attack Saturday, and is in the Edmore hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Geasler call-

ed on Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Schrock Saturday.

The card party at Brinton was well attended Saturday evening. There will be another in two weeks, March 9.

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

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Cole visited Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Swan in Mt. Pleasant Wednesday.

Your reporter feels miserable, with a cold on her lungs.

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# Local Items

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Bywater and Bob visited Mrs. Ethel Bywater at the Medical Facilities Building in Mt. Pleasant Sunday. Ethel was getting along fine, after suffering a broken hip in a fall on the ice. She was in good spirits Sunday, her visitors reported.

Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Embrey attended graduation ceremonies for beginning square dancers, sponsored by the Farwell club, Saturday evening.

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## Coldwater Lake

Marjorie Schafer, Reporter  
Mrs. Robert Klumpp called on Mrs. Ed Schafer Tuesday morning. Mr. and Mrs. Schafer and Mr. and Mrs. Klumpp attended a special PTA meeting at Beal City Tuesday evening. The topic was on the area vocational program at Mt. Pleasant. It is being made available to Beal City students.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Schafer and family moved into their new home Friday and Saturday. They sold their other home to Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Wolfersberger and family of Mt. Pleasant, who also moved to the lake the weekend.

Saturday visitors at the Edward Schafer home were Melvin Schafer, Alfred Klumpp and Steve Galgozi of Mt. Pleasant, and Dora Smith of Beal City.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Klumpp and family, Delores Rau and Larry White were visitors Sunday at the Schafer home.

Rick Klumpp spent Sunday night with Jerry Joe Schafer. Bill Schafer spent the night with Ted Klumpp.

The County Road Commission had Jordan Road closed from Littlefield Road to West Lakeshore Road Friday and Monday. They were cutting down trees on the roadsides.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Schafer of Coldwater Lake received a letter from Mr. and Mrs. Don Schafer Saturday. In his letter, Don said he had 72 days left in service. He is supposed to have his discharge about the first of May.

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## Two Rivers

Florence Harvey, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Martin spent Thursday with their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. John Schupbach, of Mt. Pleasant. Mr. and Mrs. Schupbach were Sunday callers of the Martins.

Mr. and Mrs. Singleton Moses were Thursday visitors in Flint and Owosso.

Singleton Moses spent two weeks in the hospital for tests. He is home now, but unable to return to his work. We wish him a very speedy recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Milo Rinely of Nevins Lake called on Mr. and Mrs. Blaine Stansell one day last week. Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Cahill of Belding also were visitors.

Mary Larson visited her son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Larson, of Birch Run, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Courser were callers at the Thurman Barrett home Saturday evening. They also called on Mr. and Mrs. Harold Bartholomew of Blanchard, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Gary Leiter went to Mecosta to help Mr. and Mrs. Larry Doerr celebrate their wedding anniversary.

Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Ward called Sunday on their son and fam-

ily, Mr. and Mrs. Allen Ward, of Ovid. Allen and sons were ill. We wish them a speedy recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. John Harvey and family of Chippewa Lake were Friday callers of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Harvey, who were ill. Their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Sweet, of Mt. Pleasant were Sunday callers.

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## BEAL CITY SENIOR CITIZENS ARE LIVELIEST IN COUNTY

(Continued from Page 1)

They all have a wonderful time. The Nottawa Seniors are cordial and welcoming to any newcomer, and the newcomer is made to feel right at home immediately. It has developed to the point where you meet your friends from just all over, when you attend the Senior Citizens card parties at Beal City.

Seventeen tables were in play last Thursday afternoon, with prizes going to Lena St. John and William Martin for high game wins; Emma O'Connor and William Faber, low; Florence Straus won the pepper prize, and Ruth Gallagher the door prize.

On the lunch committee were Albina Rau, Bertha Schumacher, Katie Gross, and Marie Block. They served delightful cupcakes, Dixie cups and coffee.

The next party will be the afternoon of March 7, from 2 to 4 o'clock, in the K. C. Hall in Beal City. All Seniors who like to play cards are invited.

At the March 7 meeting, Richard Brauer, of the Social Security Administration, will be present to explain all the new changes which have taken place in the past on Social Security benefits. He will also answer any and all questions anyone may ask.

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## Local Items

Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Kniffen and children of Lansing spent from Friday till Sunday with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Goodrich. Mr. and Mrs. Donald Smith of Perry were Sunday visitors.

Mrs. Vera Hagerman spent Sunday in Mt. Pleasant, with her family.

Mildred Tompkins of Barryton has been spending a few days with Blanche Cliff.

Mrs. Geraldine Darnell and sons Bill and Jay of Dearborn were last Thursday afternoon callers of Blanche Cliff. Mrs. Marian Brant of Grant and her daughter, Mrs. Kay Swanson, were supper guests. All were here to attend the funeral of their uncle, Florn (Floyd) Kew.

Mrs. Tracy Bywater and baby spent Saturday afternoon with Mrs. Garnet Bywater.

Ed Ouder Kirk and daughter of Mt. Pleasant spent Thursday afternoon with Mrs. Ina Gillett. Her Sunday guests were Mr. and Mrs. Ed Boerema of Wyoming,

Mich.

Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Embrey and family were Sunday dinner guests of her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Royal Harrison, of Breckinridge.

Mrs. Nellie Haight and Mrs. Leah Scharrer attended a special meeting at the Brinton Chapel Sunday evening.

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## A BOY FOR THE CHARLES HALFMAN

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Halfman are the proud parents of a fine big boy, born Feb. 25 at CMC Hospital. He weighed in at 10 pounds, six and a half ounces, and has been named Stanley Leroy. He has three brothers and two sisters waiting at home for him.

## Editor's Column

By Connie

### A CARD OF THANKS

This week we are printing a card of thanks from Sp/4 Richard Zeien and Sp/4 John Cotter, in Vietnam. When Richard's father brought it in, we didn't read it all the way through. When we read it we like to bawled.

For the two boys in Vietnam mentioned their "appreciation to Connie, who has kept us in contact with our many friends."

This really threw us; for while Connie did and does print news and addresses of servicemen, she could not do it without the cooperation of the boys' friends,

mothers, father, brothers, sisters. The Christmas mail addresses were suggested by Helen Alwood, and we only followed through, with the help of Helen and the families who wrote or called in the military addresses for the Men in Uniform.

So--we can't take much credit for that. We only print it. We have to have the help of a lot of people in order to get the addresses and the news of our boys.

Relatives and friends of our Men in Uniform have been wonderful in getting news and addresses to the paper.

The Messenger will continue to print all the news of our boys in service it can get.

And thank YOU, Richard Zeien and John Cotter. And we hope to see you when you come home in April.

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George and Connie Skinner have been having a hard time getting over their colds which they acquired simultaneously last week Sunday (Feb. 18).

We never had such swift ones coming on, nor such stubborn ones to get rid of.

It's true we slopped paint generously on our bathroom walls, and winter time, they tell us, is no time to paint.

Could be that paint fumes, with virus colds, make a bad combination.

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