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WEIDMAN LIONS CLUB

Emil Lueder, Reporter

The Weidman Lions Club met at the Methodist Church basement for their regular meeting and dinner Wednesday evening, March 20. A chop suey dinner was served to 14 members and one guest, and was enjoyed by all.

A motion was made and supported to contribute \$50 toward sending three students from the Chipewewa Hills School District to go to a foreign country as Exchange Students.

The date for the fish supper has been set for Friday, April 5, at the Weidman School cafeteria. Serving starts at 5.30. Prices are \$1.50 for adults and \$1 for children. Proceeds will go toward a tape recorder and headpiece for a blind person in our locality.

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FIREMEN TO HOLD AUCTION SATURDAY, MARCH 30

The Weidman Volunteer Firemen are sponsoring an auction sale this Saturday evening, Mar. 30, at Weaver's Village Inn, beginning at 7.30 o'clock.

Donated items may be left at the tavern or the fire hall, or they may be picked up by calling Ed Fox, Fire Chief, phone 644-3631, or Ray Smith, phone 644-3536, or Walt Smith, phone 644-2006.

Proceeds will go into the Firemen's general or "slush" fund, which has purchased a truck or two, water tanks, and several other specialized pieces of equipment not supplied by the two townships, Nottawa and Sherman.

The public is invited to attend the auction, which annually offers many useful and valuable items for sale.

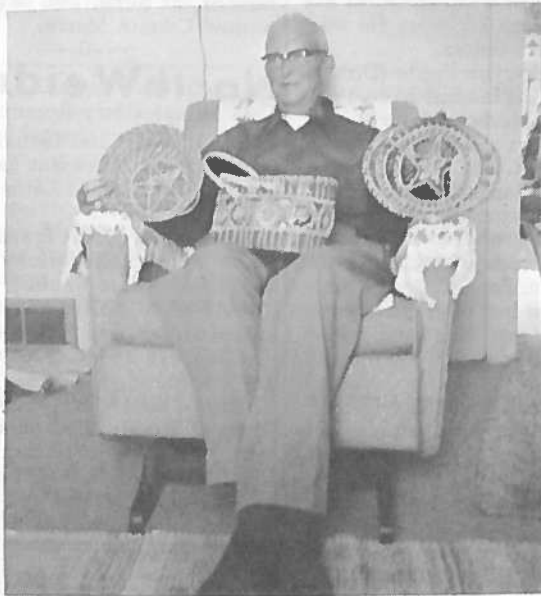
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CHIPPEWA HILLS SCHOOL STUDENT COUNCIL SETS CARNIVAL FOR MARCH 30

The Student Council of Chipewewa Hills High School is inviting the public to attend its first annual Student Council carnival March 30, this Saturday evening, from 5.30 to 8.30 o'clock, at the Remus school gym.

The PTA is sponsoring a spaghetti dinner earlier in the evening, with serving from 5 p.m. until 7. Tickets for the dinner are \$1.25 for adults and 75¢ for children under 12.

A dance will top off the evening, from 8.30 till midnight, featuring the live music of the



HE LEARNED AN ART IN FLORIDA--Clayton Smith says he "couldn't fish all the time" during his winter stay in Ruskin, Florida, and took up the art of weaving Florida pine needles into works of art, as a hobby. He has some beautiful items which he brought home, and some he is still working on.

Messenger photo

Clayt and Clara got home last Thursday, encountering some of the bad weather in the southern states at that time, on their way. They had two days of what we call "nice" weather for March, and bingo! the Saturday blizzard struck.

The Smiths are old hands with Michigan weather, however, and say they fully expected some such weather kick-up during March.

Clayt learned his art of basket weaving from Daisy Embrey and Violet Oplinger, who attended classes in Ruskin, and helped him get started. Now he doesn't need help on his work of the beautiful pieces.

It's a time-consuming hobby, each piece, whether it's a small wovern plate or a complicated handbag or carryall, taking from about four days to weeks to complete. All materials Clayt uses are from the pine needles which he gathered himself while in Florida.

Clara also took up a hobby, of making beautiful things out of shells gathered on the beaches. She has some lovely wall hangings, pictures in three-D, made with shells, in the forms of flowers on white backgrounds. They are very beautiful.

Graveyard Circus.

Profits will go to the CHHS foreign exchange program, which is sponsored by the Student Council.

BETTER THAN A LETTER

ROUNDUP OF LAKE DEVELOPMENTS HERE

A quick roundup of lake developments in the Weidman area and in Weidman show that activity was apparent on the roads of the Lake Weidman plat (the old Weidman Mill Pond).

Willard Searles of St. Johns, developer of that lake, moved in some heavy machines last weekend, and installed tubes under roads and was graveling them the first of this week.

He had done no work on that project for about a year. Plat No. 1 for Lake Weidman apparently waits on this road development by Searles, according to spokesmen for the landowners there.

Lake of the Hills saw no development activity this winter, but the Butterfield Realty Company of Lansing has been selling lots on Plat No. 1.

At the huge project of Lake Isabella, Richard Tilmann reported that work was going ahead on the big dam, with expectations of filling the lake about Aug. 1.

Plat No. 1 of Lake Isabella is sold out, Dick said, with sales on Plat No. 2 going good at this time. Plat No. 1 had 90 lots and the No. 2 plat has well over a hundred, Dick said.

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HOME PAPER FOR THE WEST HALF OF ISABELLA COUNTY

Men in Uniform

BRIAN DUTCHER IN SOUTH KOREA AS AIRMAN
Airman First Class Brian Dutcher, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher, Jr., is now in South Korea, a member of Security Police.

Brian has been in Thailand, but technically is stationed in the Philippines. He said that, going to South Korea a few weeks ago from Thailand, he nearly froze, but that weather was softening up some in South Korea.

He sent his folks a propaganda leaflet the North Koreans drop over South Korea, urging the Koreans to rise against the American soldiers. The leaflets are borne by balloons sent high so that the balloons burst, dropping the leaflets over the countryside.

He was at the Suwon Air Base when he wrote the letter home.

Randy Brownell planned to go to Fort Knox, Ky., Thursday, March 28, to visit Bruce Reed. Bruce did not get leave to come home.

Alan Wood left for Camp Jackson, S. C., after a two weeks' leave which he spent with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Vance Wood.

Pvt. Virgil Harvey, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Harvey of Two Rivers, has received a rifle marksmanship medal, according to word received by his parents last week. His address will be changing soon, his folks are advised. He has been in the Marine Troops Recruit Depot at San Diego, Calif.

Seaman Howard Garrett, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Garrett, left last Wednesday for Norfolk, Va., after spending two weeks at home. He expects to get more training before going aboard a ship.

Rusty Alwood arrived home last Friday, after visiting relatives and friends in California and Seattle, Wash., for two weeks. He found the Walt Davy family feeling fine, and everyone busy working.

Pvt. Jim Abbott called his home Sunday night from Fort Knox, Ky. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Abbott.

Pvt. Walter Shaner, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Shaner, spent the weekend with his folks here, from his base at Fort Dix, N. J.

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Helen Alwood, Reporter
Our deepest sympathy to the Florence Straus and Ellen Thompson families in the loss of their dear mothers.

Mr. and Mrs. Ken Martin, Pete Martin and Elmer Garrett attended an oyster dinner at the Remus School Saturday. It was sponsored by the Remus Creamery.

Mrs. Ernestine Pohl was very much surprised by a pink and blue shower in her honor at the Harris Diehl home near Remus Friday evening. About 20 relatives attended. A nice lunch was served, and the honored guest received many nice gifts.

Mr. and Mrs. Keith Schumacher visited his parents, the John Schumachers, Friday evening.

The John Schumachers visited 12-year-old Steve Martin at CMC Hospital Sunday afternoon. Steve broke his arm earlier in the week and was in much pain. They also called on Leona Simmer in the hospital, who has been there for treatment of pneumonia. She expected to leave the hospital this week.

I goofed last week. I had the Richard Pohls in Au Gres. Should have read the Richard Smiths of Au Gres, of course. Then I had Uncle Vets in St. Johns, and should have read Mr. and Mrs. Sylvester Smith of Grand Rapids. Sorry, folks. Just one of those

days.

Mr. and Mrs. Gary Wernette and family enjoyed Sunday dinner at the Roy Wernette home in Remus. They were celebrating the birthdays of Gary and Carol's four children.

Cathy Alwood spent Thursday afternoon with her little cousin, Alice Smith.

Richard Pohl returned home Saturday from CMC Hospital after being there 20 days. He was feeling much better.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Epple (Dolores Pohl) of Mt. Pleasant have a new baby girl, born Saturday, March 23.

Mr. and Mrs. Ken Martin and Miss Kathy Garrett went to Mt. Morris Monday to get little Kenny Lonergan, who will spend the rest of the week with them.

Miss Karen Pohl of Grand Rapids attended her mother's shower Friday evening. Her sister, Diane, went back with her for a visit.

Mrs. Helen Alwood and Donny and Cathy visited at the Joe Wilmot home Sunday, and enjoyed lunch with them.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Smith and family of Au Gres visited relatives in this area over the weekend. Mrs. Smith attended the shower for Mrs. Richard Pohl on Friday evening.

Elmer Garrett enjoyed supper last Monday at the Ken Martin home. Tuesday Elmer, Ernest and Howard Garrett had dinner at the Martin home.

Saturday evening visitors at the Ernie Gross home were Mr. and Mrs. Ragolt Hauck, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Rau, and Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Clare. They enjoyed playing cards.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Smith of Ypsilanti are the proud parents of a baby girl born March 19, their seventh child. The little Miss weighed seven pounds, five ounces, at birth, and has been named Connie Marie.

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NorthWeidman

Elvah Gott, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Chel Latham and family of Mt. Pleasant called on Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Latham Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Orval Branson called on Mr. and Mrs. Micky Abbott one evening last week.

Mrs. Muriel Miller and children called on Mr. and Mrs. Wiley Knollenberg of Mt. Pleasant Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Gott and Larry of Winn called Sunday afternoon and took Mr. and Mrs. John Gott to visit their daughter and family. Mr. and Mrs. Carl Gott called Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Wernette and family and Mr. and Mrs. Micky Abbott and Robert were Sunday afternoon callers of Mr. and Mrs. Don Abbott.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Blodgett attended the funeral of Milo Gingrich in Barryton Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Blodgett visited the Crittenden Funeral Home in Remus Sunday evening to pay respects to Mrs. Ellen Thompson.

Mr. and Mrs. Jon Nash called at the Norman Abbott home Friday. Susie Faber was a Sunday guest.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Adams called on Mrs. Marjorie Chaffee of Farwell Sunday evening.

Mary, Bill and Dan Blodgett and Dale Blodgett of Flint were weekend guests of their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Lloy Sperry.

Gail Burden and children of Lakeview called at the Jack Burden home Saturday afternoon. Mrs. Shirley Welch of Remus was a Friday evening caller.

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NEWS NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Middlesworth and family of Lansing were weekend guests of the Richard Donley family.

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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

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Obituary

MILO GINGRICH
 Milo Gingrich died last Thursday evening, March 21, at the Clare General Hospital. He was 92.
 He was born July 14, 1875, in Wheatland Township, Mecosta County, and was a farmer in the Remus Route 2 area. He was retired.
 He was a life member of the James A. Cliff Masonic Lodge,

F&AM No. 424, of Weidman. Masonic memorial services were held Saturday evening at the Daggett Funeral Home in Barryton, at 8 o'clock.

Funeral services were held Sunday, March 24, at 2 p. m. from the Daggett Funeral Home, with Rev. Thomas Tarrant officiating. Burial was in the Sherman City Cemetery.

Mr. Gingrich is survived by three sons, Lyle and Grant Gingrich, both of rural Barryton, and Keith Gingrich of Remus; three daughters, Mrs. Ralph (Vera) Moore of Remus, Mrs. George (Ina) House of San Diego, Calif., and Mrs. Allen J. (Viola) Wood of Mt. Pleasant.

Also surviving are 10 grandchildren, 16 great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren. The area mourns the loss of another pioneer citizen.

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Obituary

ELLEN NEELANDS THOMPSON
 Ellen Jane Neelands Thompson, age 74, died unexpectedly Friday, March 22, at her home.

She was born May 26, 1893, to James and Julia Neelands at Van Decar, Mich., near Weidman.

On July 17, 1918, she was married to John A. Thompson, and they would have celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary this year.

She was a long-time member of the Methodist Church, and an industrious worker in church and community activities.

Always very interested in the joys and sorrows of her family, friends and neighbors, she will be greatly missed by all.

She was a graduate of Central Michigan Normal School at Mt. Pleasant, and taught school for many years. In June, 1961, she became a member of the Golden C Club of Central Michigan University.

She is survived by her husband, Jack; children, John of Pontiac, James of Weidman, and Mrs. Charles (Vivian) Wilson of Grand Rapids; sisters, Deborah Benn of Weidman and Lucy Williams of Pontiac; also nine grandchildren.

Preceding her in death were an infant daughter and three brothers, Winton, Isaac and Robert Neelands.

Funeral services were held Monday, March 25, at 1 p. m. at the Forest Hill Church near Weidman, with Ercil Williams and Rev. Stanley Spires officiating.

Interment was in the Forest Hill Cemetery.

The family has the deepest sympathy of all.

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Obituary

MRS. FLORENCE STRAUS

Mrs. Florence Straus passed away at her family residence Sunday, March 24. She was 65 years old. Cause of death was a massive coronary (heart attack). She was loved by all who knew her, and will be greatly missed by the entire community.

She was born in Sheridan, Mich., Ionia County, March 31, 1902.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Herbert, who passed away March 18, 1966.

She is survived by eight sons: Max, Earl (Pete), Larry and Fred of Weidman; Gerald and Carl of rural Mt. Pleasant; Art of DeWitt, and Paul, of Flushing;

Four daughters, Mrs. John (Ladonna) Bunting, Mrs. Gerald (Margaret) Simmer, and Mrs. Larry (Carolyn) Mead of Mt. Pleasant, and Nancy, at home.

Her father, Ernest Emmons, of Mt. Pleasant, and one sister, Mrs. Leonard (Elva) Parker of Weidman, and 48 grandchildren also survive.

She was married Nov. 16, 1920, in Beal City.

For the past 11 years she had been leader of the Beal City 4-H Club, and served as administrator for three years. She was also a member of the Isabella County 4-H Club Council. She was a member and Past President of the St. Anne Altar Society of Beal City.

She was also very active in the Senior Citizens group, and had helped cook for several weddings and dinners in the area.

Funeral services were held Wednesday at 11 a. m. at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Beal City with Father Edward Neubecker officiating. Burial was in the church cemetery.

Rosary services were held at the home Monday and Tuesday evenings.

The family has the deepest sympathy of all.

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NEWS NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Johnston and Mr. and Mrs. James Beutler of Rosebush were Sunday callers at the Clyde Beutler home in Weidman. Mrs. Johnston, Mrs. Beutler and Mrs. Audrey Beutler visited the Crittenden Funeral Home in Remus, to pay respects to Ellen Thompson.

Legal Notices

ISABELLA COUNTY PROBATE COURT

Mt. Pleasant, Michigan
 ESTATE OF WALTER E. WOOD,
 DECEASED

THE COURT ORDERS:

Creditors must file written sworn claims with this Court, send copy to David E. Burrows, 123 N. Main of Mt. Pleasant, Michigan. Court will hear claims of Deceased on May 29, 1968, at 10:00 A. M. at the Probate Court. Publication in The Weidman Messenger.

Court Rule Notice.

Dated March 13, 1968

Burke McClintic

Judge of Probate

Attorney:

David E. Burrows

123 North Main

Mt. Pleasant, Michigan

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GILMORE CHURCH NEWS

Friday evening, March 22, the Fathers and Sons met in the Fellowship Hall of the church for a delicious dinner and fine program.

Gary Agle, Master of Ceremonies, presented Larry Renner with a toast to the fathers; Walter Atkinson with a toast to the sons; and special speaker for the evening, Hiram Gates, former pastor at Gilmore, who brought a wonderful message entitled "Batter Up". Mr. Gates had his three sons with him: David, Jim and Craig.

There were also special numbers by the Gilmore Men's Quartet, and group singing.

The women of the congregation provided the meal and served it. There were 60 present.

The Bible School has a point system worked out, whereby the young people of the church can earn their way toward camp at Rock Lake Christian Assembly near Edmore. Points are earned each time they are present for any church service, youth group or choir practice; also each time they bring their Bible or a friend with them. So far enthusiasm has been very apparent.

WEIDMAN BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. Marvin Eldridge, Pastor

Sunday School, 10 a. m.

Church Service, 11 a. m.

Evening service, 7.30 p. m.

Ladies' Missionary meeting will be Thursday, March 28, 7.30 p. m.

Fellowship Service with the Brinton Chapel Sunday, March 31, 7.30 p. m. Everyone welcome.

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NEWS NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Clark of Lake stayed at the Chester Clark home here during the time that Mrs. Clark was in the hospital. They welcomed their daughter-in-law and new grandson home, and returned to their own home last weekend.

Walker Creek News

Esther Stanley, Reporter

We were sorry to hear of the passing of Milo Gingrich, Mrs. Ellen Thompson and Mrs. Florence Straus. We extend our sympathy to the bereaved relatives and friends.

Rev. and Mrs. Marvin Eldridge and three sons visited Mr. and Mrs. Howard Monroe and Blane Thursday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Monroe received word from Lapeer Saturday that his brother, Robert, had passed away that morning. We extend our sympathy.

Mrs. Monroe visited her doctor at Mt. Pleasant Friday. She has different medication, but there is a possibility she may have to have her leg amputated.

Mrs. Eva Denslow visited Mrs. Ethel McLean Thursday afternoon. Miss Cheryl Leiter stayed with her from Thursday night till Saturday noon, when her father, Warren Leiter, called, taking her home. Keith Loomis visited his grandmother Friday forenoon.

Sunday visitors of Mrs. McLean were Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Miller and son, George.

Clyde Dosenberry of Midland visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Dosenberry, Friday.

Mrs. Dosenberry attended a pink and blue shower for Mrs. Gary Denslow Saturday afternoon, at the home of Mrs. Margaret Denslow.

Mr. and Mrs. Lou Gray were in Mt. Pleasant Thursday, visiting their sons and wives, the Duane and Loren Grays. They enjoyed dinner at the Holiday Inn.

Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Jorgenson of Webberville were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Gray. Mr. and Mrs. Loren Gray and family of Mt. Pleasant were afternoon guests. The children spent the afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Gary Portenga and family while their parents and grandparents attended the funeral of their uncle, Milo Gingrich. The Grays were all luncheon guests Saturday evening at the Portenga home, honor Lou Gray's birthday. Mrs. Portenga made a lovely cake for her grandfather. Happy Birthday, Lou!

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Denslow and Denise were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Willis Finney and sons.

Mrs. Lyle Denslow accompanied her daughter, Mrs. Micky Dargitz, of Remus, to Grand Rapids Thursday.

Mrs. Edmund Wonsey of Mt. Pleasant visited at the Denslow home Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Corwin, Robert, Jr., and Kyle Marie of Flint were Saturday overnight and Sunday guests of the Denslows. Mr. and Mrs. Micky Dargitz and family were also dinner

guests Sunday. Hobart Abbott and Dean and Dale of Edmore visited Sunday afternoon. Ollie had a birthday Thursday. Happy Birthday!

Mr. and Mrs. Keith Thompson attended a wedding reception for her cousin's daughter in St. Louis Saturday evening. They were dinner guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Courser, of Two Rivers, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Schrock called on her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Owens, of Lake, Sunday. Miss Sandra Owens and fiancée, Jack Coon, visited Mr. and Mrs. Schrock Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Langworthy of Greenville spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Zill.

Mr. and Mrs. Zill took their son, Terry, to the emergency unit at CMC Hospital Sunday afternoon. They had been to a doctor earlier but on returning home he had convulsions. Mr. Zill reported the fever had broken and the boy was sleeping when they left the hospital.

Miss Janet Dillenbeck of Spring Lake spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Dillenbeck.

We are glad to hear that Mrs. Lena St. John is improving in health.

Arthur Schrock cleared the driveway at the Brinton Chapel and the Rodney Schrock home Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Voss of south Weidman called on his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Voss, reporting that their son, Chuckie, was better.

Mrs. Frances Beck visited Mrs. Otto Skalitzky Sunday forenoon. Misses Joyce Hillier and Joan Eisenhower of Farwell visited Sunday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Ray Showers and Mrs. Kate Darnell of Barryton were Sunday evening luncheon guests at the Skalitzky home.

Mr. and Mrs. Keith Loomis and Teresa and Jean Ann visited Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Loomis and family Friday evening.

Mrs. Donald Pung and Donna, Doris and Dawn, were Wednesday dinner guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Stanley. Mrs. Stanley baby-sat for the Pungs Friday.

Mrs. Ray Elliott of Mt. Pleasant spent Thursday at the Stanley home, assisting in painting the dining room and kitchen.

The big snow Saturday dampened our enthusiasm for spring cleaning!!

Sunday afternoon visitors at the Stanley home were Mr. and Mrs. Walter Faber and Joyce and Paul, and Mrs. Lyle Denslow and daughter, Mrs. Micky Dargitz, and Brian, Jill and Kathy.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Emmons visited Mrs. Ethel McLean Monday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Fifield of Lansing were

Thursday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Emmons.

Mr. and Mrs. Hazen Thompson visited her father and sister, Manley Oliver and Mrs. Marguerite Coleman, at Remus, Monday. They called on Mrs. Emily Wood at Weidman Friday afternoon.

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West Gilmore

Lena Cole, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Jay Colosky are the proud parents of a new adopted son. Congratulations, Marge and Jay.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Herman are the proud parents of a baby girl. Mr. and Mrs. Harry Herman and Mr. and Mrs. Einar Sandelius are the proud grandparents, and Mr. and Mrs. Martin Boger the proud great-grandparents.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Cole visited their nephew and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Wardwell, Tuesday. Wednesday the Coles called on Mr. and Mrs. Lester Swan and Mrs. Helen Wardwell.

Mrs. Beulah Wixson returned home from CMC Hospital Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Dumont and son, Tommy, and grandson, Bobby Meyers, of East Lansing were supper guests Wednesday of his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs.

Paul Cole, and Velma.

Mrs. Maggie Boger was admitted to CMC Hospital early Saturday morning, for tests and observation. She was suffering abdominal pains.

Mr. and Mrs. John Balint of South Bend, Ind., spent the weekend with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Cole. The Balints were supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Mahon Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Geasler visited his brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Payton Geasler, Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Geasler and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Worth visited Mr. Geasler's mother of rural Mt. Pleasant Sunday.

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Local Items

Miss Joni Donley and Robert Goethel of Grand Rapids were Monday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Donley and family.

Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Stevens of Sanford spent Monday afternoon with her mother, Mrs. Ina Gillett. Mrs. Gillett was ill with a cold.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Baker and two children of Bath called on their uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Goodrich, Saturday.

BETTER THAN A LETTER

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Dora Smith, Reporter

BEAL CITY KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS HOLD DINNER

Dinner was served to about 154 members and guests of the Beal City Knights of Columbus Council 3651, Sunday afternoon at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Beal City.

The occasion was clergy day and Past Grand Knights recognition in a special program annually put on in some form by the Knights of Columbus.

Julian Joseph, General Program Chairman for the state of Michigan, was speaker.

The C. C. D. Classes of the church served a delicious Swiss steak dinner. Tables were beautifully decorated with fresh flowers, with a large centerpiece of flowers at the speaker's table.

Matt McConnell, District Deputy of the Beal City Knights of Columbus, was toastmaster.

Seven of the Council's eight Past Grand Knights were present. Two were presented Past Grand Knight pins. They were Allie Andres and Edward Schafer of Beal City.

Cecil Clare is the present Grand Knight of the Beal City Council. The Council is working for an Award of Star Council this year. The award is a rarity, only six having been awarded in Michigan last year.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Moss of Mt. Pleasant spent Friday evening with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Tony Schafer.

Mrs. Louise Smith spent Sunday afternoon with Billy and Irene Smith.

Mrs. Arnold Simmer and Suzanne and Mrs. Art Proefrock and son, Michael, spent Thursday afternoon with Mrs. Smith.

They all visited John Smith briefly. Suzanne stayed over night with Delores Rau.

Our sympathy to the family of Mrs. Herb Straus, who died Sunday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Tony Schafer spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Milo Eldred near Blanchard.

Ida Tilmann returned home Monday after a 10-day visit with her children in Mt. Pleasant.

Mrs. Amy Courter and Glenn Courter and boys of Forest Hill visited Mr. and Mrs. Bob Pung

Sunday afternoon.

Miss Frances Riggles spent Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Gary Riggles.

Philip Ludwig spent Thursday evening with Larry and Wayne Egbert.

Mrs. Harry Schafer spent Friday with Mrs. Joe Sheppard.

Mrs. Arnold Simmer and Elaine and Suzanne and Mrs. Art Proefrock and Louise Smith spent Sunday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Smith in Mt. Pleasant. Mr. and Mrs. Will Lawens were also visitors of the Smiths.

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N. Broomfield

Maycie Cook, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. George Gerwig and Mr. and Mrs. George Erhardt and baby of Sparta were Sunday dinner guests of Mrs. Nettie Crowley and Jay Leinaar.

Herman and Aliance Cook spent Friday evening with Lylah and Francis Mead of rural Mt. Pleasant, in honor of Lylah's birthday. While they were there the family received word of the birth of a baby boy to Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Mead, on Lylah's birthday.

Mrs. E. Rhode and Harold spent Friday evening playing cards with Mr. and Mrs. Herman Lueder.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Hines were Monday evening visitors of Mrs.

E. Rhode and Harold. They spent Thursday evening with Mrs. Nettie Crowley and Jay Leinaar. Maycie Cook, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Lueder and Stewart Cook were also callers, to remind Jay of his birthday.

Mrs. Robert Cook and Mrs. Vern Bergey were shopping in Lansing Wednesday.

Mrs. Flossie Sellers and Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher were callers of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Hines last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Emil Lueder were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Lueder.

Mrs. E. Rhode and Harold attended a family birthday dinner party Sunday, given by Mrs. Kate Schultz of Eaton Rapids for members of her family.

Kathy Krueger had the misfortune to break her arms last week, in a fall during gym class at school. Both her arms are in casts.

Mr. and Mrs. Orves Cook visited relatives at Prescott Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Strong of Lansing and Mr. and Mrs. Gail Strong of Elwell were Sunday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Lueder.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Lueder and brother, Carl Lueder, of Mt. Pleasant were Sunday dinner guests of Mrs. Eda Van Zandt.

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Goldie Dutcher, Reporter

The Clarence Chaffee family visited her aunt, Miss Eva Merrihew, of Leaton, Sunday.

Mrs. Harry Gatehouse spent Sunday afternoon with the Dale Gatehouses. Her folks, Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Pung, were visitors.

Mr. and Mrs. May of Sand Lake visited the Leo Gatehouse family and the Duane Threns Sunday. Mrs. May was Donna's homemaking teacher at Weidman.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Dutcher spent Wednesday evening with the Richard Dutchers.

Herbert Lawrence was a Sunday caller of Mr. and Mrs. George Merrihew.

We extend our sympathy to the families of Ellen Thompson, also Grant Gingrich and Florence Straus.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Maeder and son called on the John Maeders recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Dutcher and sons of rural Midland were Sunday dinner and overnight guests of the Clayton Dutchers. Richard Dutcher was a Sunday caller.

Terry Dutcher and friend of Clarkston were luncheon guests of Terry's grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. George Merrihew, and called on his other grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher, Sr., Thursday.

Mrs. Edith Neelands of Pontiac called on the George Merrihews Monday.

Mrs. Lucile Merrihew and son, Orval, attended the funeral of Mrs. Don Houghton in Mt. Pleasant Saturday.

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

Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher, Jr., and family called on the Ervin Dutchers and Mrs. Nora Secord and sons Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Ronna Dutcher called on Mrs. Clayton Dutcher Friday.

Emory Dell visited Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Dell of Littlefield Lake Monday afternoon.

Judy Hardenburg spent Sunday over night with Alice Coville.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Beutler and children were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Tibbetts and family of East Lansing.

Mrs. Marian Beutler attended WSCS at Weidman Thursday.

The Clayton Dutchers had lunch with the Ervin Dutchers last Wednesday.

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NEWS NOTES

Mrs. Flossie Davy called the Messenger Tuesday noon, reporting a flock of geese on the Weidman Pond. Another sign of spring no matter what March weather does.

Mrs. Chester Clark and baby returned home from the hospital Saturday. The baby was born Monday, March 18, and David Chester weighed nine pounds, eight ounces. Both are doing fine.

NOTICE LAST DAY OF REGISTRATION School ELECTION

NOTICE OF THE LAST DAY OF REGISTRATION

OF THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF

CHIPPEWA HILLS SCHOOL DISTRICT**TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF SAID SCHOOL DISTRICT:**

Please Take Notice that the Board of Education of Chippewa Hills School District, Mecosta, Isabella and Osceola Counties, Michigan, has called a special election to be held in said School District on MONDAY, MAY 6, 1968.

Section 532 of the School Code of 1955 provides as follows:

"The inspectors of election at any annual or special election shall not receive the vote of any person residing in a registration school district whose name is not registered as an elector in the city or township in which he resides....."

THE LAST DAY ON WHICH PERSONS MAY REGISTER WITH THE APPROPRIATE TOWNSHIP CLERKS, IN ORDER TO BE ELIGIBLE TO VOTE AT THE SPECIAL ELECTION CALLED TO BE HELD ON MONDAY, MAY 6, 1968, IS FRIDAY,

APRIL 5 1968 LAST DAY OF REGISTRATION

PERSONS REGISTERING AFTER 5:00 O'CLOCK P. M., EASTERN STANDARD TIME, ON THE SAID FRIDAY, APRIL 5, 1968, ARE NOT ELIGIBLE TO VOTE AT SAID SPECIAL SCHOOL ELECTION.

Under the provisions of the School Code of 1955, registrations will not be taken by school officials and only persons who have registered as general electors with the township clerk of the township in which they reside are registered school electors. Persons planning to register with the respective township clerks must ascertain the days and hours on which the clerks' offices are open for registration. Act 146, Public Acts of Michigan, 1967, requires each city and township clerk to be at his office between the hours of 8:00 o'clock a. m. and 5:00 o'clock p. m., on the first Saturday preceding the close of registration that is not a legal holiday. For this election this day is Saturday, March 30, 1968.

This Notice is given by order of the Board of Education of Chippewa Hills School District, Mecosta, Isabella and Osceola Counties, Michigan.

JAKE VANDERSYS
Secretary, Board of Education

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Jessie Rosencrantz, Reporter

AUGUST BRIDE TO BE

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Gross of Weidman have announced the engagement of their daughter, Sandy Kay, to John Strazanac, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Strazanac, of Grand Haven.

Sandy is a graduate of the Weidman High School, and is employed in Grand Haven. An August wedding is being planned.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Dutcher were Sunday evening guests of the Gerald Losey family.

Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Miller were Sunday dinner guests of the Lewis Bowen family in Coldwater Township.

Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Sprague of Weidman were Friday evening guests of the Miller family. Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Dent were Sunday evening guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Miller called on the Olin Bowen family Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Tvorik were Sunday afternoon callers at the Earl Oplinger home.

Mr. and Mrs. Del Johnson came to their son's home Sunday to attend her aunt's funeral.

Mrs. Deborah Benn returned home from the hospital Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Carr were Sunday overnight guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Benn.

Mr. and Mrs. Gary Denslow of East Lansing and Mr. and Mrs. Keith Baker and children of Grand Rapids were weekend guests of their mother, Mrs. Margaret Denslow. Mrs. Stuart Denslow of Jackson was a Saturday guest.

Mrs. Violet Oplinger went Wednesday of last week to visit her daughter and family, the Dennis Tianis, at Dearborn Heights, and she was snowed in and not able to get home as of Sunday. Guess our weather isn't so bad.

Kenny Oplinger spent Wednesday through Friday at an FFA convention at Michigan State University in East Lansing.

Mrs. Nettie Lawrence was a Friday afternoon caller of Jessie Rosencrantz.

Mrs. Flora Wood and Mr. and Mrs. Vance Wood attended the funeral of Mrs. Don Houghton in Mt. Pleasant Saturday.

Our sympathy to the family of Mrs. Ellen Thompson, whose funeral was Monday afternoon at 1.30 at the Forest Hill Community Church.

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ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED

The engagement of Miss Janette Mary Judge, daughter of Mrs. Margaret Judge and the late Joseph Judge, to Larry Murra, son of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Murra of Blanchard, has been announced.

No date has been set for the wedding.

BETTER THAN A LETTER

EAST Coldwater

Esther Skinner, Reporter

Mrs. Ray Conley of Mt. Pleasant called on Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Olger Wednesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Skinner and children and Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Skinner of Belding were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Routheaux and Randy of St. Louis. Wally's car broke down Saturday, south and west of Ithaca, with a broken transmission. His uncle went and got them and Sunday Wally's father towed him back to Weidman. Then Wally's folks took them back to Belding.

Mr. and Mrs. James Latham were Saturday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Olger and family. Mr. and Mrs. Jim Latham were Sunday dinner guests. Afternoon visitors were Mr. and Mrs. Chelsea Latham and family and Mrs. Dale Letson and children of Mt. Pleasant. The Letsons were supper guests of the Olgers.

Esther Skinner took Ray and Dick to Dr. Anderson in Mt. Pleasant Saturday for eyeglasses.

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BEAL CITY FUTURE FARMERS ATTEND STATE CONVENTION

Members of the Beal City Chapter of Future Farmers of America attended the 40th annual FFA state convention at Michigan State University March 20 to 22.

Jim Engler, son of Mr. and Mrs. Matt Engler, received the State Farmer Degree.

The Beal City Chapter also was represented by Harold Reihl, Gerald Zeien, Charles Garrett, Tim Hauck, Richard Maeder, and Allen Schmidt, members of the parliamentary procedure team which competed in the state finals during the sessions.

Bruce Clare and Mike Pasch were the official delegates representing the Beal City Chapter at the convention.

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BEAL CITY PUBLIC SCHOOL HONOR ROLL ANNOUNCED

The following students of the Beal City Public School were named on the Honor Rolls for the fourth marking period:

7th Grade: A standings: Debbie Riley, Charlotte Schafer, Mark Schafer, Kay Smith, William Steffke, Rita Schmidt, Ruth Schmidt, Denise Yuncker.

7th Grade: B standings: Margery Andres, Ann Engler, Rhonda Recker, Pam Stevens.

8th Grade: A standings: Marjorie Block, Nancy Engler, Kenneth Pung, Fred Schafer, Ken Steffke, Ruth Zuker.

8th Grade, B standings: Jerry Deming, Mary Ann Fox, Ann Gross, Tom Gross, Harry Hauck, Mary Jane Kolarik, Stanley Pasch, Kenneth Rau, Linda Schafer, Vern Smith, Debra Yuncker.

9th Grade: A standings: Marilynn Breuer, Diane Clark, Rodney Deming, Kathy Fox, Vickie Schumacher.

9th Grade, B standings: Mary Andres, Wayne Bellinger, George Fussman, David Jackson, Vera Reihl, Joan Smith, Mark Stevens, Mike Straus.

10th Grade: A standings; Mary Anna Beltinck, Brenda Brickner, Joyce Ray, Carla Schafer.

10 Grade, B standings: Kay Simmer, Ed Zuker.

11th Grade: A standings: Jacqueline Andres, In Sung Oaks, Margie Schafer, Dave Tilmann.

11th Grade, B standings: Chris Brickner, Marcie Deming, Leonard Fox, Dianne Jones, Peggy Pohl, Robert Rau, Charlotte Schafer, Pamela Schafer, Linda Schumacher, Margie Straus.

12th Grade, A standings: Kathy Bierschbach, Beatrice Fox, Emilie Garrett*, Betty Krensreiter, Rose Millard, Bernadette Pung, Marjorie Rau, Nancy Powell, Ruth Rhode, Charlotte Slater*, Norma Smith, Shirley Welch.

12th Grade, B standings: Robert Andres, Carlene Block, David Garrett, Suzanne McDonald, Floria Schafer.

*Denotes all "A" record.

ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED

Mr. and Mrs. M.F. Thielen of Lake City, former residents of Beal City, have announced the engagement of their daughter, Catherine, to Patrick J. Judge, son of Mrs. Margaret Judge and the late Joseph Judge, of Winn.

The bride-to-be is an x-ray technician at Sparrow Hospital in Lansing, and her fiancée is employed at the Morbark Company at Winn.

No date has been set for the wedding. ---0---

ATTEND TOASTMASTERS CLUB IN MT. PLEASANT

Ben Weber and Art Tilmann attended the Mt. Pleasant Toastmasters Club last Thursday evening. The meeting was held at Falletta's University Room with dinner at 6.30.

Evert Bowerman was timekeeper, assisted by Art Tilmann. Evaluators included Jim Beutler, Ben Weber, Mike Simkins, and K.P. Martin.

Bob Reynolds was toastmaster for the evening.

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MORE THAN EIGHTY SENIOR CITIZENS GATHER AT BEAL CITY

The Senior Citizens card party, which draws players from several townships, was held last Thursday, March 21, at the K. C. Hall in Beal City, with over 80 enjoying the afternoon.

Twenty tables of pepper were in play, with first prizes going to Leona Faber and Tony Schafer, second to Frances Zuker and Bill Schafer, and the pepper prize to Ed Faber. Catherin Schumacher won the door prize.

The lunch committee, composed of Matie Pung, Minnie Schafer, Clara Fox, Etta Skalitzky and Cecelia Simmer, served coffee and rolls.

The next card party will be the afternoon of Thursday, April 4, from 2 to 4 o'clock.

GEORGE SKINNER GOES THROUGH ICE ON LITTLEFIELD

George Skinner narrowly escaped death Tuesday afternoon when he broke through ice on Littlefield Lake near the public landing. He extricated himself from ice and water of 30 feet depth.

Coldwater Lake

Marjorie Schafer, Reporter
COLDWATER LAKE COTTAGES TO GET NATURAL GAS LINE

Representatives of the Michigan Consolidated Gas Company were signing up cottage owners for gas service around Coldwater Lake Friday and Saturday.

They will extend their line from Beal City and up the Jordan Road to the Coldwater Lake area as soon as weather permits.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Wischmeyer returned to their home here after spending three months with their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. MacDonnell, in Novato, Calif.

Our deepest sympathy to the Straus families, whose mother, Florence Straus, died suddenly Sunday morning.

We were very sorry to hear Ed Tuma, new owner of the Coldwater Lake Inn, was in the hospital.

Mrs. Edward Schafer cared for the Marchiando children Friday while their mother, Carol, and Daphne Frear were shopping in Alma and St. Louis.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Wischmeyer attended a birthday party Sunday in St. Louise for Walt's brother, Harry, who was 81 years old. Ten of their 12 children and families were home for the celebration.

Mr. and Mrs. John Schafer and boys, Ricky and Johnny, of Bay City were Sunday afternoon guests of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Schafer and family.

Other guests at the Schafer home Sunday were Rod Klumpff of Mt. Pleasant and Mrs. Frank Dietrick of Belleville.

Mr. and Mrs. Dietrick spent Sunday and Monday at their home on Jordan Road.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Rupp took Mr. and Mrs. Jim Pitts of Gilmore to visit the C. Hiram Gates family at Bailey, near Grand Rapids, last Wednesday. Mr. Gates was pastor of the Gilmore First Church of Christ for many years.

The party drove on to East Grand Rapids, after their visit with the Gates family, and visited the Rupp's daughter, Mrs. John Spiess, and family.

Tuesday of this week the Rupp's took the Howard Monroes to Lapeer to attend the funeral of Howard's brother.

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Local Items

Mildred Tompkins returned to her home in Barryton Friday, after spending a few weeks with Blanche Cliff.

Mrs. Dennis Embrey and children attended the Misfit basketball game at the State Home and Training School last Tuesday evening. The Misfits were employees of the Home, dressed up as clowns. The other team was composed of patients at the Home. The State Home Varsity team won the game.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Bywater spent Sunday afternoon and evening with Mr. and Mrs. Dale Wilson in Portland.

Mrs. Joe Pung and Mrs. Bob Pung visited Mrs. Bertha Clark Wednesday morning last week. Mrs. Don Abbott was a recent caller.

Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Embrey attended a square dance party at Farwell Saturday evening.

Mrs. Hermione Smith enjoyed chicken dinner Sunday at the home of her son, Don Smith, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Abendroth visited friends at Houghton Lake Sunday and did some fishing, with good luck in bluegills.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Beutler visited the Daggett Funeral Home in Barryton Saturday evening, to pay respects to Milo Gingrich.

Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Embrey and family visited Mrs. Liza Losey and Mrs. Bessie Price in Mt. Pleasant, Sunday afternoon.

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

Mr. and Mrs. Arlen Frantz of Clio were Sunday guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Frantz. Mr. and Mrs. Allen Costello and family of Hersey were also visitors.

Debbie Graham spent the weekend with her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Gott, of Winn. The Gotts brought her home Sunday, and called on the Meryl Grahams.

Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Sprague, Mr. and Mrs. Harlan Sprague of Mt. Pleasant, and Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Sprague and two daughters of Lansing, and Mrs. Clara Fox of Beal City were Sunday guests of the Richard Sprague family.

BETTER THAN A LETTER

Local Items

Mr. and Mrs. Barry Conley spent Friday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Gary St. John. Mrs. Arthur Bazaire was a Sunday guest of her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Mr. and Mrs. Norman Langworthy of Rockford were also Sunday guests of her brother and family, the St. Johns.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Louisell spent Monday with her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Milo Handy, of Harrison.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Herman of Horsehead Lake, a daughter, Christine Susann, at the Big Rapids hospital March 17. Mr. and Mrs. Harry Herman and Mr. and Mrs. Einar Sandelius are the very proud grandparents. Mr. and Mrs. Herman visited their children and grandchild Sunday.

Mrs. Rex Querbach of Allegan came Monday afternoon to spend a few days with her mother, Mrs. Vera Hagerman.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Johnson and Jane and Kathleen of Mt. Pleasant were Sunday guests of his mother, Mrs. Kit Johnson, and Mr. and Mrs. Dave Brown.

Mrs. James Noe and Mrs. Ivan Allen visited Mrs. Bud Richardson, Mrs. Noe's daughter, in Jackson, last Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Sprague and Mrs. Bessie Teall called on Mrs. Lillie Suylandt near Coleman, Sunday. The Spragues went on and called on Mr. and Mrs. Dick McCann of Midland.

Mr. and Mrs. James Sutton and son of Ashlev were Sunday after-

noon guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Sprague and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Straus and family of Flushing spent from Sunday till Wednesday at the home of her mother, Mrs. Leah Scharrer. They were here for the funeral of Paul's mother, Mrs. Herb Straus. Mr. and Mrs. Roger Smith and family of Flint were Monday morning visitors of Mrs. Scharrer. They spent Sunday over night with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ted Smith.

MRS. BLANCHE HOUGHTON

Mrs. John Donald (Blanche M.) Houghton, Sr., of Deerfield Township died last Wednesday, March 20, at the family residence, after an illness of 15 months. She was 75.

She had lived in Deerfield Township for 30 years. She was a member of the Deerfield Methodist Church and a member of the Winn Eastern Stars since she was 18 years old. The Houghtons had been married 53 years.

Funeral services were held Saturday, March 23, at 2 p. m. from the Stinson Funeral Home in Mt. Pleasant with Rev. Arlo Vandlen officiating. Burial was in Riverside Cemetery in Mt. Pleasant.

Surviving, besides her husband, are Mrs. Roy (Eleanor) Nelson, John Donald (Jack) Houghton, Jr., L. Maurice Houghton, all of rural Mt. Pleasant; Welbie Houghton of Vestal, N. Y.; William Houghton of Shepherd, Mrs. Richard (Elaine) Wood, and Kenneth S. Houghton.

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