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## Editor's Column

By Connie

### WEIDMAN IS GETTING THE SERVICES IT NEEDS

Item by item and person by person, the village of Weidman is acquiring services it needs as a good place to live.

Recently we got a coin-operated car wash; we have a coin-operated laundromat; and our local stores are adequate to the needs of local residents in anything you want to name.

Our attention was called to this Sunday, when most of the lights went off at our house, just at noon time.

We have learned to replace ordinary fuses; most people can do that. But this turned out to be not an ordinary thing.

All fuses appeared to be undamaged, and our house is wired on seven or eight circuits.

One table lamp in the living room would light; two other lamps in the same room would not. The lamp at our drawing board in the office was off; the kitchen lights were out, but the refrigerator was on. The light in the utility room was off but the freezer, furnace and pump were on.

It was a job for an electrician.

We remembered that Lee Parker had advertised in the Messenger for work as a local electrician. We called him, and, as he is our neighbor, he came at once.

It took him only a short time to find that the gimerator in the main switch box was not functioning, and he corrected that, and charged a nominal fee.

We were two happy people, after that. Weidman rapidly is getting the vital services it needs as a good place to live.

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### WHAT WAS THAT RED SUNSET?

Last Thursday evening Rosie Hogan called us and asked,

"Did you see the sunset this evening?" No, we hadn't seen it. "It was real weird. It was bright red, so red it hurt your eyes, just that great red ball of red fire. But it had a red tail upward from it, and a shorter tail downward. What does that mean?"

We didn't know. Never heard of such a thing before.

"I called my stepmother, Mrs. Sheldon, and she said she thought



SO WE HAVE SNOW--And lots of it. The Messenger photos above show some of it, in our driveway and at the Noes', across the Airline Road. But if we think we've had storms (and we have!) from Dec. 25 till about Jan. 10, read on.

The following account is from the Weidman news written for the Mt. Pleasant Times-News dated March 24, 1947, bylined Frances Roe Tranbarger. The clipping was loaned the Messenger by Lucille Smith:

Tragedy came very close to striking a number of Weidman folks early Tuesday morning when their cars became stuck in the deep snow just west of Joe Stevens' corner, on the blacktop road. Most of these people had been working in Mt. Pleasant, and were on their way home after finishing the night shift at Ferro's factory.

The storm didn't seem so bad when they left Mt. Pleasant, but by the time they turned west on the blacktop, they knew it was no ordinary storm. It was the worst blizzard of the year, and they were stuck with it.

There were Mr. and Mrs. Ted Smith in their car; Mr. and Mrs. Gaylord Hart, Mrs. Walter Smith, Mrs. Clyde Johnston, Janet Latham, and Mr. and Mrs. Lloy Sperry, all in one car; Mrs. Etta Denslow and Mrs. Leo Denslow, and Mrs. Charles Gross and son Donnie, and Donnie Belows, who were returning from a business trip and a show in Mt. Pleasant. The Gross car was

it was a sign of fair weather."

We thought it was a sign of big storm.

Whatever it was, we got just so-so weather; but we wish we had seen that sunset.

rescued by George McClain at about four o'clock in the morning.

The others, having become marooned later, had to stay until almost noon the next day.

Mr. Hart walked to the Stevens home, soon after it became apparent that it was useless to try to go any farther. He just made it back to his car, and, realizing how bad the storm was, gave orders for everyone to stay in the car until help came or the storm subsided.

A snow plow got through on the road about 10 o'clock Tuesday morning, but snow drifted in behind it immediately, making it impossible for the cars to follow behind the plow.

But by this time, most of the occupants of the cars had made their way through the huge drifts to the Stevens home, where they were warmed and fed.

George McClain, Jr., and Monty Pridgeon took the wrecker to the scene Tuesday around noon, and had to haul one car after another almost to Weidman, to get them through the gigantic snowdrifts.

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Like we said, we had freezing rain, sleet, and snow-a-blowing, and roads drifted in and all that; but apparently we were not so bad off as we were that tail-end of March in 1947.

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By Tuesday of this week, the vicious zero weather was relenting, with snow thawing some.

## Men in Uniform

Here are a couple of new addresses:

P.F.C. Douglas L. McArthur, RA68021989, Hq. Fort Buckner, S-1, APO San Francisco 96331.

Doug is stationed in Okinawa. He is a clerk typist. His wife, Donna, joined him over there Dec. 31.

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P.F.C Gary L. McArthur, RA-68021450, Hq. & Hq., USATC ARMOR, Fort Knox, Ky. 40121.

Gary will be at Fort Knox until March 2, then he will go to finance school at Fort Benjamin Harrison in Indianapolis, Ind.

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Gary Kirvan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Otis Kirvan of Oscoda, is in the Army, stationed at Fort Knox, Ky.

His address:

Pvt. Gary Kirvan US54990921, Co. C, 10th Bn., 5th Inf., Bde. 3rd Plt., Fort Knox, Ky. 40121.

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(Editor's Note to Pvt. Philip Jennings: Thanks for your good letter at holiday time, Philip.

(We were planning to print it in the paper--and we lost it! We admit this is the unforgivable sin in newspapering, but we dood it.

( Please write us again, Pvt. Philip Jennings, and we'll share your letter with our readers.)

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### WBA WORKING ON WEIDMAN BROCHURE

The Weidman Business Association is working to complete its up-to-date version of a brochure showing the location of our town and its great recreation areas.

A committee composed of Bernard Pitts, Ed Fox and Mick Schmalbach has been named to do the actual work on designing the brochure and seeing it through the printer's hands.

This year's brochure is an ambitious effort, with deluxe paper stock being selected and printing in two colors being planned by the committee.

The brochures are distributed throughout the state by the State Highway Commission. The WBA always has plenty of extra copies on hand, besides this state-wide circulation.

Photos of Weidman, especially Mitchell Memorial Park, are being solicited by the committee (see their ad. on the Want Ad Page).

BETTER THAN A LETTER

**HISTORY OF THE JOSEPH SCHUELLER FAMILY**

(Editor's Note: The many friends of Joe Schueller will be happy to know he was reported last week as doing fine at his home in Mt. Pleasant, after an illness.)

(The following history of his family was written by Joe, and was loaned the Messenger. We are sure there are many who will be interested in Joe's account of his family.)

William and Anna Schueller, parents of Joseph Schueller, moved from Westphalia, Clinton County, in the spring of 1884. They bought a farm one mile south of Beal City, in Sec. 28, Nottawa, for about \$2,500.

Joe, the youngest of 11 children, was born in 1888, in a log house on the farm. He attended grade school at Beal City, and at a school one mile south of Beal City.

John and Anna Thelen, parents of Christina Thelen, moved from Pewamo, Ionia County, to Beal City in the spring of 1900. With them came Christina, then 11 years old. She was the youngest of a family of 17 children.

Joe and Christina attended the school at Beal City, and a love matched started from school days.

They were married September 7, 1909, in St. Philomena's Church in Beal City, by Rev. Father A.F. Zugelder.

To this union four children were born: Lucille, Clarence, Ruth, and William J. Lucille died when she was nine days old.

Clarence married Loretta Andres of Beal City. They have a farm one mile south and a half mile west of Beal City.

Ruth married Richard Christenson of Fremont, Mich. He is a Lieut.-Col. in the Air Force, and spent some time in Japan. He retired in 1968, and they now live in Florida.

William J. married Virginia Tilmann of Beal City. They live at 1304 Lyons Street in Mt. Plea-

sant. William entered into partnership with his father in Schueller Insurance, on South Washington Street in Mt. Pleasant.

Joe and Christina lived at the farm, known as the Old Home, until 1947, when they moved to Mt. Pleasant and lived at 207 South Lansing.

Joe still owns the old home, and says he was born there and built or rebuilt every building on the place, and it is not for sale.

Joseph Schueller has held many offices of public trust.

At the age of 20 he was elected director of the school board, and later was instrumental in creating the first primary high school in Nottawa Township. He bought the first typewriters that went into the Beal City School.

He helped organize and build the first telephone line southwest of Beal City.

He organized the Mt. Pleasant Sugar Beet Growers' Association in 1934, and later was appointed chief clerk of the Mt. Pleasant district for the government payments on sugar beets.

He was chairman of the government wheat program of Isabella County, Aug. 31, 1933; chairman of the government hog program for Isabella, Feb. 21, 1934; appraiser for Alma Production Credit Association, January, 1936; director of Farmers Mutual Fire Insurance Company, January, 1920; and secretary of that organization in 1938.

Joe and Christina were members of the Roman Catholic Church and attended Mass regularly. Not attending Mass on Sunday was something unheard-of in this family.

Christina was a member of the Altar Society and Catholic Daughters, and was always active in church affairs.

Joe is a member of the Knights of Columbus and Holy Name Society, and also has served on the church committee at Beal City.

Joe helped clean up the debris after the Beal City church was struck by lightning and burned in 1904. He helped build or rebuild all the church and school buildings now at Beal City.

At the age of 16 he became a member of the first male quar-

ter, singing bass. He sang in the choir for 36 years.

Christina died Sept. 28, 1966. \*\*\*\*\*

The Messenger folks are among the many who salute Joe Schueller on his work and achievements in Isabella County.

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House of Representatives  
Washington, D.C. 20515

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Lansing, Mich. 48901

State Rep. Donald E. Holbrook, Jr.  
House of Representatives  
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# WANT ADS

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

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 Jan. 9t2p

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 Jan. 9t2p

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 Jan. 9tf

ELECTRICAL WIRING--Lighting, heating and power. Call 644-3474, evenings. Lee Parker, Weidman, Mich.  
 Jan. 9t2p

NOTICE--Not responsible for any debts other than those contracted by myself, as of this date, Jan. 16, 1969, forward. Wm. D. Cummins.  
 Jan. 16t1p

KEEP carpet cleaning problems small--use Blue Lustre wall to wall. Rent electric shampooer \$1. Fox Hardware, Weidman.  
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WANTED--Photos of Weidman taken in spring, summer or fall. Especially wanted is a photo of the pavilion at Mitchell Memorial Park, showing family reunion or other group

enjoying park facilities, especially the pavilion. Also desired are any fishing, boating or hunting pictures taken on nearby lakes or in woods. Pictures will be returned undamaged. Wanted by the Weidman Business Association for its new brochure circulated by the State Highway Department, state-wide. Please leave photos at Fox Hardware, Pitts Radio & Tv Store, or at Mick's Barber Shop.  
 Jan. 9tf

## Obituary

MRS. MYRTLE GEASLER  
 Mrs. Myrtle Geasler of Route 5, Mt. Pleasant, died last Wednesday, Jan. 8, in the Medical Care Facility at Mt. Pleasant. She was born July 22, 1880, and was 88 years old at the time of her death.

She was an old-time resident of the Brinton area, and has many friends.

Survivors include five sons, Earl and Payton, both of rural Remus; Albert, of Coldwater Township; Raymond of Grand Rapids, and John, of Haslett; four daughters, Mrs. Maggie Boger of Coldwater Township, Mrs. Dorothy Kent of Grand Rapids, Mrs. Jean Wilson of Hudsonville and Joan Geasler, with whom she made her home; Also one sister, Mrs. Minnie Peterson, of Edmore; and 35 grandchildren and 45 great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Saturday, Jan. 11, at 1 p.m. in the Daggett Funeral Home in Barryton, with Ercil Williams officiating. Burial was in the Flake Cemetery at Barryton.  
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## In the Editor's Mail

Dear Messenger:  
 I read the wonderful newspaper from home and send it on to Mio, to my brother, Ralph McNeil.

Thanks a lot.  
 Clara M. Crowley  
 Royal Oak, Mich.  
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HOME PAPER FOR THE WEST HALF OF ISABELLA COUNTY

## 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.  
 Sunday evening, Jan. 19, at 7.30 Dorris Clark, chalk artist of St. Louis, Mich., will present a program.

Our pastor, Marvin Eldridge, spoke at the Clare Baptist Church Sunday, Jan. 12, at the morning and evening services.

Jim Carr of Flint held the meeting at our church that day.

The Ladies' Missionary Society will meet Thursday afternoon at the home of Violet Carr, at 1 o'clock.

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BROOMFIELD ZION LUTHERAN  
 Located six miles south of Weidman on Coldwater Road.  
 Rev. Edwin Schmelzer, Pastor  
 Sunday School, 9.15 a.m.  
 Worship Service, 10.30 a.m.  
 Ladies' Aid meets on second Wednesday of each month.

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FOREST HILL  
 COMMUNITY CHURCH  
 Rev. Stanley Spires, Pastor  
 Sunday School, 10 a.m.  
 Preaching, 11 a.m.  
 Youth Fellowship, 6.45 p.m.  
 Evangelical Hour, 7.30 p.m.  
 Mid-week prayer meeting, Wednesday, 7.30 p.m.  
 Choir practice Wednesday, 8.30 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.

BETTER THAN A LETTER

## EAST Coldwater

Esther Skinner, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. James Latham called on Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Olger Saturday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Chelsea Latham and family were Sunday evening visitors. Mr. and Mrs. Olger called on her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Garold Latham, Saturday afternoon.

Esther and Harold Skinner, Carl Geasler and Jean and Gaylord Hart were snowed in for two days last week, and couldn't get to work in Mt. Pleasant and Edmore. The Olgers got out Thursday, but didn't get out Friday. They work in Big Rapids.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Lofgren and family and Doris Sisco had dinner Sunday at Stan's Restaurant in Mt. Pleasant.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Skinner and children were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Routheaux and Randy of St. Louis. Other guests were Mr. and Mrs. Don Routheaux and family of Alma, Mr. and Mrs. Duane Miller of Clare and Elana Miller of Farwell.

Duane Miller's family and Elana Miller were in a car accident one mile from Betty's parents', the Arlin Swensons'. They could not drive the car home.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Routheaux and Randy and Elana Miller left Tuesday for Florida. Ken will be working for General Telephone Company. They will be gone about three months. They planned to call on Mr. and Mrs. Bill Jones and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Branson on their way South.

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Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Sprague and girls called on Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Spice and family of Carson City, Sunday. They also called on Mr. and Mrs. Leon Snyder of Ithaca, Sunday evening.

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## Walker Creek News

Esther Stanley, Reporter

### FLY TO FLORIDA

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Schrock and and his mother, Mrs. Nella Schrock, of Riverdale, drove to Tri-Cities Airport at Freeland last Wednesday, where they boarded a plane to spend a week with his brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Otto Schrock, and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Smith, in Florida.

It was a complete surprise for his mother, and possibly the first time she had been in a plane.

They were expected home Wednesday.

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Miss Terri Lynn Brown of Weidman was a weekend guest of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Otis Conley.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Emmons report they have been snowed in, but observed their 40th wedding anniversary Jan. 9. Congratulations, and many more. Also, their grandchildren, Eddie John and Sarah Bobroski, had birthdays this month. Sarah was one on the first of January, and Eddie John two years old on the eighth. Happy Birthday, Eddie and Sarah!

Miles Miller called on his mother, Mrs. Ethel McLean, Friday evening.

Mrs. Gary Portenga underwent surgery Wednesday at CMC Hospital, and was getting along fine.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Corwin and Robert, Jr., and Kyle, spent the past week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Denslow.

Mrs. Denslow and daughter, Mrs. Micky Dargitz, and Brian, Jill and Kathy attended a baby shower for Mrs. Eddie Abbott of Holly, at the home of her husband's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Abbott, of Edmore, Sunday.

Mrs. Keith Thompson and Mrs. Craig Thompson were hostesses at a bridal shower for Miss Kathy Block, fiancée of Kenoah Hennings of Detroit, Sunday afternoon.

The two Mrs. Thompson attended a baby shower for Mrs. Barry Conley at the Weidman school Friday evening. Mrs. George Clark and Mrs. Micky Dargitz were hostesses. The mother-to-be received many beautiful gifts.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Leiter and family visited her father and brother, Arthur and Patrick Loomis, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Schrock received a phone call from his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Schrock, from Florida, Friday night, reporting beautiful sunshine and warm weather. Gilbert is "keeping the home fires burning" while they're gone. Mr. and Mrs. Schrock and Philip called on Mr. and Mrs. Jack Coon of northwest Coldwater, and Mr. and Mrs. Dick Touchinski of south Weidman, Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Austin Dent visited Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Dillenbeck Sunday evening.

Mrs. Lena St. John reports her cousin, Robert Pratt, of Flint, died Saturday after an automobile accident, when his car hit a pole. He leaves his wife and two small children.

Also that Mrs. Maggie Boger entered Sparrow Hospital in Lansing Sunday, where she was to undergo surgery Tuesday morning.

We were sorry to hear of the death of Mrs. Geasler, mother of Mrs. Boger and Albert Geasler. Her funeral was Saturday. We extend our sympathy to relatives and friends.

Mrs. Ethol Beers called Mrs. St. John to report that when her granddaughter, Mrs. Douglas Godwin, returned home from work Saturday evening, her husband and small daughter were overcome by carbon monoxide fumes and were rushed to the Clare hospital. They were coming along fine. The Godwins live at Farwell.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Beutler paid respects to Mrs. Freda Hein at the Crittenden Funeral Home in Remus Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Willis Finney and sons were Sunday guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Denslow.

Mr. and Mrs. Harlan Shook of Averill were Sunday afternoon visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Monroe and Blane.

Mrs. Russell Stanley went with

her daughter, Mrs. Donald Pung, Monday, to Mt. Pleasant, to take Dawn Marie for medical attention. Mr. and Mrs. Donald Stanley accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Pung to Saginaw Friday night, where they took little Deanna to a baby specialist at St. Mary's Hospital. Diagnosis will be reported soon.

Weekend guests at the Stanley home were Mr. and Mrs. Adelbert Pung and Julie, Susan and Sandra of St. Johns and Mrs. Thomas Moore, also of St. Johns, and son, David, of Saginaw; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Battle and Franceen and Mary Kay of Wyoming, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Stanley and family of Weidman, and Marianne, Debra and Pam Gorby of Lake Thirteen.

Ye Scribe slipped on ice last Tuesday night, injuring her back. She visited her doctor Monday to determine if x-rays are needed.

We were glad to hear that our son-in-law, Thomas Moore, is improving.

We were glad our good neighbor, Gilbert Schrock, plowed our driveway Monday morning so son Don could take me to the doctor.

Mrs. Clarence Ley and Mrs. Larry De Voss and daughters of Conklin were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lou Gray, and the ladies visited Mrs. Portenga and Ernest Gray at the hospital in the afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Ward Loomis called at the Gray home Sunday afternoon, enroute to visit Mr. Gray and Mrs. Portenga. Hope they both have recovery soon! Mr. and Mrs. Lou Gray visited them several times the past week.

Seems like this news letter has a lot of sadness, for the beginning of our New Year!

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## In the Editor's Mail

Dear Connie:

Hi. Enclosing \$5 and I don't want my paper to run out.

I used to be a Ferguson. I am now 63. So I know a lot of the names, and of course some I don't. I lived neighbor to Cora Estes.

Verena Gingrich  
Remus, Route 1

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Dear Mr. and Mrs. Skinner:

Greetings to you in the New Year. We have enjoyed the paper very much.

Please send it for six more months. We are glad to hear of the news around Weidman.

Sincerely yours,  
Mr. and Mrs. Bert Cornell  
Barryton.

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Mrs. Ina Gillett had word from Mrs. Bessie Nutt, saying she was feeling poorly. Mrs. Nutt lives in Lincoln Park, a Detroit suburb.

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## Beal City

Dora Smith, Reporter

John Forest took a trip to Cadillac recently, to view skiing at Caberfae. This is one of Michigan's largest areas, and he reports he could hardly find a parking place. Most ski areas are enjoying a boom season.

Larry Egbert spent Saturday and Sunday with Philip Ludwig.

The boys who are leaving for the service Jan. 21 held an Open House party at the K. C. Hall Saturday evening, which was very well attended.

Beal City won its game over Lake City Saturday night.

The bans of matrimony were announced for the third time Sunday between Kenoah Hennings, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ken Hennings, and Kathy Block, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Block.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Streng are spending three weeks in Florida.

Veronica Tilmann called on Mrs. Tony Schafer Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Al Klumpp, Mr. and Mrs. Milo Eldred of Blanchard and Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Schafer of Winn spent Saturday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Tony Schafer.

Ed Kavanaugh returned home from Detroit Monday with a nice new Pontiac car.

Mrs. Vera Kavanaugh is back teaching, after undergoing surgery in December.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Schafer drove to Chicago Monday to attend the Goodrich tire convention. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Cutler are staying with their children.

Howard Schafer returned home from CMC Hospital last Thursday, feeling better.

Allen Tilmann entered CMC Hospital Sunday for a general checkup.

Mr. and Mrs. Al Clevenger took their daughter, Connie, to Detroit to take a plane back to Puerto Rico, Tuesday.

John Tilmann has been ill at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Wm. Schueller, at 406 E. High Street in Mt. Pleasant. Emma Tilmann was admitted to CMC Hospital Saturday, suffering from double pneumonia. Both were reported as some better the first of this week.

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### ICE FISHERMEN HAVE ROUGH TIME THIS WINTER

Ice fishermen are having a rough time getting in their sport this winter, with two to three feet of snow on all area lakes.

An unusual aspect is the presence of about a foot of water under the snow, on top of the ice.

To get a fishing hole, a man must shovel snow from the area where he plans to fish, then cut through at least 12 inches of ice which lies under 12 inches of water on the surface.

A few hardy sportsmen have been on the lakes, but not many.

## WEST Nottawa

Helen Alwood, Reporter

Clem Esch of Detroit died Friday night after a heart attack. He has many cousins in this area. His sisters, Alma of Mt. Pleasant and Eva of Greenville, attended the funeral in Detroit Monday.

Rusty Alwood spent the weekend home from his work in Flint. He attended a party at the K. of C. Hall Saturday evening given by several boys leaving for the service Jan. 21.

This reporter heard from Mrs. Melvin Gallent of Perrysburg, O., giving us news of her son, Tom, who taught here in Weidman the years of 1963 and 1964. Tom is head football coach and Junior High basketball coach at Bellevue, a town about half way between Battle Creek and Lansing. Football was always his favorite sport. He may make a change to a larger school this year. Mrs. Gallent writes that Tom always has a good word for the people around Weidman. His address: 897 E. Michigan Ave., Battle Creek, Mich. 49017. Tom is still single.

Max Straus and daughter called at the Arnold Halfman home on his snowmobile Saturday, to see if they needed anything, as they had been snowbound several days. The snow plow went through Sunday, so they were happy to get mail Monday.

Lillian Johnston and Eleanor Abbott missed last Thursday and Friday at work on their jobs in the laundry at CMC Hospital because of snow-drifted roads.

Donny Alwood spent Wednesday over night with his classmate, Craig Battle.

Don Alwood's sister, Orma Kripa, is in CMC Hospital since last Friday, being tested for diabetes.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Schafer, Mrs. Harry Schafer, Mike Gross and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Gross of Mt. Pleasant called at the funeral home in Portland Sunday to see their cousin, Bernard Morris, 67, who passed away Friday.

The baby boy Brian, son of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Schafer, came home New Year's Day from CMC Hospital. He had been there since he was born, Nov. 17. Little Brian weighs over five pounds now. His twin brother passed away a few hours after birth.

Mrs. Coletta Gross took care of the three little girls of Mr. and Mrs. Bernie Gross over the weekend. Mrs. Gross became very ill and entered CMC Hospital. The snow plow was called to open the road Saturday. The children are at the home of their grandparents, the Frank McCormicks, for a few days.

Richard Pohl returned home from the hospital a week ago Saturday, feeling some better, after several weeks' stay in the

hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Gary Wernette and family were very happy to get plowed out Sunday afternoon. They all went to Alma and enjoyed dinner at the Mott Kiss home. Gary had been getting to his work with his truck.

This reporter heard from Irene (Schafer) Fisher of Lansing recently, saying her father, Joe Schafer, is still at a rest home in Corunna and is holding his own, no better, no worse. Irene keeps busy baby-sitting for children in her neighborhood. Her husband, Barney, is retired, but still keeps busy around home.

Mr. and Mrs. John Schumacher called on Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Schumacher and Dale Sunday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Keith Schumacher and son called on his parents Sunday evening.

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### NEWS NOTES

Mrs. Arthur Bazaire was a Saturday visitor of her grandson, Gary St. John, and family. She was an overnight guest. Sunday the St. Johns took her and visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Zill, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Keiser of Belding were Saturday evening visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Sprague.

## NorthWeidman

Elvah Gott, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Jewell and family of Mt. Pleasant spent Monday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Abbott, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Chel Latham and family called on his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Garold Latham, Sunday afternoon.

Jerry Blodgett helped his Dad cut wood Saturday. Carol Johnson and children called on her parents. Mr. and Mrs. Alan Blodgett and family of Flint were also callers at the Earl Blodgett home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Rhode of Remus visited Mr. and Mrs. Roy Adams, with a snowmobile.

Elmer Tanner called on Ward Dell Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Gott of Winn called on Mr. and Mrs. John Gott Sunday afternoon.

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### NEWS NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. Olan Black and family of Middleton were weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Pung and family. Betty Black and Ruth Pung attended a baby shower for Mrs. Jane Conley at the Weidman School Friday evening.



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### Brinton News

Cora Estes, Reporter

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Open House will be held at the Garfield Township Hall at Lake on Sunday, Jan. 26, from 2 to 4 p. m. in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Roy L. Neeper, who will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary.

No gifts necessary.

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#### HITS DEER, DAMAGES CAR

Clifton Beutler, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Beutler, hit and killed a deer on North Woodruff Road early Monday morning, on his way to work in Flint after spending the weekend with his folks.

The radiator of his car was smashed in but Clifton was not hurt. He kept the deer.

He called for his parents' car and continued on his way to Flint. The accident occurred about 3.30 a. m.

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Mrs. Martin Boger is in Lansing this week, where she is taking treatments from a specialist at Sparrow Hospital.

A great many schools were closed last week, due to ice and drifting snow.

The Merry Go Round Club was postponed last Thursday for one month, when it will meet with Mrs. Pauline Wendel in Gilmore Township.

Mrs. Flossie Forbes is in Detroit till the last of January. From there she leaves by plane for Hollywood, Fla., to spend the rest of the winter at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Henry Bush.

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### Central Gilmore

Mary Helen Pitts, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Hanchett drove over to visit the Orin Hartnell family Sunday evening, and to see the big snow banks.

Greg Pitts spent the weekend in Royal Oak visiting Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Goudie. He also visited in Northville with Arthur Jahn.

Mr. and Mrs. Carlyle Gallagher of near Alma called to see Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Wood last Saturday. Gerald and Barry Wood were also over, and helped Alvin move some snow in his yard.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed McAlvey of Bath were at their farm home over the weekend.

Mrs. Lola Fordyce called from Florida Sunday night and said that it was very nice down there. They had had a rain, but it was warm. Mrs. Bernice Cook was feeling better but she had a cold.

The Bernard Pittses and the James Pittses have been sick most of this past week.

Mrs. Elaine Esterline spent Sunday with the Elwyn Pitts family.

School was called off for most of the week last week. We sure

do have some large banks of snow in our neighborhood. We are thankful that the east and west roads did not fill up like the north and south roads.

There is not much news this week, as everyone has been snowed in.

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### West Gilmore

Lena Cole, Reporter

Well, here I am again, after another eight days in CMC Hospital. Velma Cole spent the time at Vassar with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ewing while her mother was away. Her parents went to Vassar Wednesday to bring her home.

We talked with our old friend and neighbor, Mrs. Charlotte Hart, who has been ill and is spending the winter with her daughter in Mt. Pleasant. She was feeling much better.

Mrs. Mattie Wood, like Yours Truly, has a lot of trouble with her hands and arms.

Ben Blackmer called on his mother, Mss. Lawrence Blackmer, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Swan visited Mr. and Mrs. Paul Cole Sunday.

Your reporter returned home

from CMC Hospital Tuesday, after an eight-day stay.

Mrs. Adelaide Youman Bawkey Zoeller, formerly of Farwell, passed away Friday of pneumonia, in the Muskegon hospital. Mrs. Zoeller was 93. She taught school around Farwell many years. She leaves three sons, Roscoe and Ralph of Muskegon and Albert Bawkey of Harbor Springs.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Turnbull and sons of Lansing spent the weekend at their home here and attended the funeral of her grandmother, Mrs. Myrtle Geasler, at Barryton Saturday.

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### Local Items

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Kirvan of rural Remus stayed a couple of days last week with his mother, Mrs. Emily Wood, as they were snowed in. He works in Clare, she in Edmore.

Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Embrey attended the marriage of her niece, Miss Roberta Clark, to Bob Richardson Saturday afternoon at the Strickland Baptist Church. In the evening they attended the wedding dinner and reception at the VFW Hall in Shepherd.

# BEDDING BONANZA

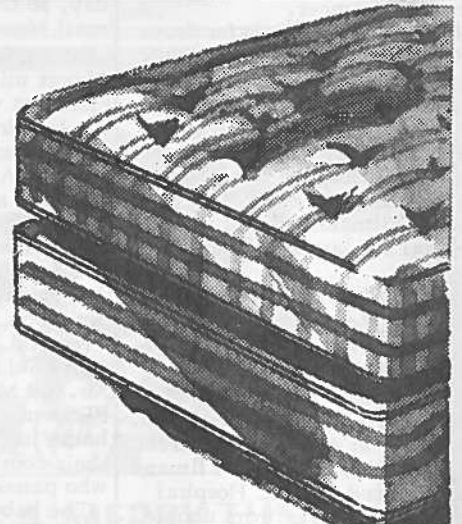
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Mr. and Mrs. Joe Fitzpatrick of Mt. Pleasant hosted the wedding reception in the church parlor. Assisting with a buffet supper were Darlene Dargitz, Sharon Corwin, Barbara Stark, Jau Fox, Nancy Bywater and June Hinds.

Out-of-town guests were from South Bend, Ind., Grand Rapids, Niles, Lansing and Evart.

The bride is a graduate of Weidman High School and the bridegroom graduated from Barryton High School. He is employed by the General Electric Company in Edmore.

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**S.W. Sherman**

Goldie Dutcher, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dutcher and Rex and Dawn of Midland spent

the weekend with the Clayton Dutchers.

Fred Cobe and son, Jeff, of rural Mt. Pleasant were Sunday callers of the Richard Dutchers. Jim Dutcher and Eric Methmer were Saturday luncheon guests of the Clayton Dutchers.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Dutcher spent Friday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher.

Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hines.

George Merrihew is feeling better at this time.

It's nice to have the roads cleared and to see the school bus going again.

Due to the bad weather, everyone stayed at home this past week, so no news.

**Local Items**

The Weidman Rebekah meeting Monday night was canceled on account of deep snow on the side roads. The Tuesday afternoon card party also was canceled. The next Rebekah meeting will be Jan. 27, with installation of officers scheduled.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Embrey of Lansing suffered facial cuts early Saturday morning when their car skidded on ice at the Hauck bridge on the Weidman Road. They were taken to CMC Hospital for stitches on their cuts and released. They were on their way to visit overnight at the home of her brother, Harold Clark, and family.

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Beal City Service	3	0
Weidman State Bank	2	1
Household Appliance	2	1
Rosebush Leonard	2	1
Lowery Northern	2	1
Wentworth IGA	2	1
Marchiando & Rau	1	2
Fortino Beverage	1	2
Beal City Tavern	1	2
Giant Supermkt.	1	2
Pabst Blue Ribbon	1	2
Central Concrete	0	3

High Team Series: Beal City Service 3075. High Team Game: Beal City Service 1071. High Indv. Series: Jack Pung 562, Gary Moore 545, Clarence Lorenz 543. High Indv. Game: Buck Nolte 217, Warren Elliott 212, Jack Pung 208.

GUYS & DOLLS  
Jan. 10, 1969

Lyon & Wilson	8	0
Lawens & Pantenburg	7	1
Nolte & Moore	7	1
Bleise & Straus	6	2
Thon & Blake	5	3
Knapp & Bouck	4	4
Blehm & Moore	4	4
Sharrar & Mattonen	3	5
Foster & Moore	1	7
McArthur & Anderson	1	7
Bierschbach & Zill	1	7
Green & McConnell	1	7

High Team Series: Lawens & Pantenburg 2472. High Team Game: Bleise & Straus 830. High Series, Men: Pete Knapp 599, Percy Blake 534, Bob Bleise 522. High Game, Men: Dale Lawens 209, Pete Knapp 209, 200, Percy Blake 193.

High series, Women: Mary Hyde (sub) 505, Mary Blake 478, Mary Jones (sub) 478, Alberta Bleise 472. High Game, Women: Gertrude Nolte 191, Alberta Bleise 189, Diane Knapp 189, Mary Hyde (sub) 179.

## Local Items

Leon Haight was taken to the Clare hospital last week, suffering from flu.

Mr. and Mrs. Roger Smith and boys of Flint spent the weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ted Smith, and Jim.

Mrs. Irma Kische and Mrs. Hermione Smith were Sunday dinner guests of the Don Smith family.

Mrs. Glenn Frantz entered CMC Hospital Sunday, suffering from pneumonia.

Mr. and Mrs. Verne Foster and granddaughter were Sunday visitors of Mrs. Ina Gillett.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Holt and three boys of Mt. Pleasant spent Sunday afternoon with Mrs. Nina Forbes.

Wm. Sprague was admitted to CMC Hospital Sunday.

HOME PAPER FOR THE WEST HALF OF ISABELLA COUNTY

## Coldwater Lake

Marjorie Schafer, Reporter

WE HAVE LOTS OF SNOW  
Lots of snow this week around the lake. There was no school at Beal City last week Tuesday, Thursday and Friday.

Edward Schafer and sons were kept busy plowing snow and shoveling snow from walks and roofs.

Snow was quite heavy on the roofs, but there were no reports of any roofs caving in, but there were reports of snow melting and leaking in.

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Mr. and Mrs. Edward Schafer took Mrs. Tony Schafer to Mt. Pleasant Monday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. John Schafer and sons, Johnny and Ricky, of Bay City spent Sunday with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Schafer, and family. Other visitors were Mr. and Mrs. Robert Klumpp and children of Beal City.

There was a big crowd at the March of Dimes auction at the Town and Country Tavern in Beal City Saturday evening. They made over \$400.00. A loaf of raisin bread made by this reporter brought in \$12, and eight lunch rolls brought \$6.50.

Word has been received that Clem Esch, formerly of this area, died this weekend.

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## Around Horr

Jessie Rosencrantz, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Garner and Walter Davis were Saturday evening guests of the Joe Martin family. Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Carroll and family and Mrs. Alma Byron were Sunday guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Garth Lawrence and Pam were Sunday guests of his mother, Mrs. Nettie Lawrence. Mr. and Mrs. Earl Oplinger and Kenny were roller skating at Mt. Pleasant Saturday evening.

Larry and Dave Leiter and Eddie Oplinger were ice fishing on Six Lakes Sunday and caught a six-pound fish.

Mrs. Margaret Denslow called on Mrs. Eva Denslow Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Wood and Mike and Beth Lynn were Sunday dinner guests of Mrs. Flora Wood. Dorothy Prell, Gale and Mike Jothan and Wendy Wood were afternoon callers. The young folks enjoyed tobogganing behind the car.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Denslow were Sunday afternoon callers at the Jack Thompson home.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Losey and Mrs. Shari Lorenz were Sunday afternoon callers at the Charlie Losey home. Hattie, Lois and Shari also called on Yours Truly.

Mrs. Margaret Denslow and Mrs. Eva Denslow were recent callers at the Frank Benn home. Mrs. Margaret Denslow took them a nice batch of cookies. Mrs. Carol Johnson took them a nice cus-

tard Saturday.

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## N. Broomfield

Maycie Cook, Reporter

Mrs. E. R. Rhode received word of the death of her brother, Ernest Hummel, Wednesday morning, Jan. 8, at Phoenix, Ariz. Burial was at Phoenix.

The stormy weather and bad roads didn't stop several friends and relatives from attending a miscellaneous shower given by Mr. and Mrs. Carl Cook at their home for Miss Karen Berryhill Friday evening. About 15 ladies from Mt. Pleasant, Shepherd, Remus, Weidman and vicinity came to enjoy the party.

Mr. and Mrs. Terry Davol and daughters of Northville spent last weekend with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Cook.

Mrs. Lorraine Schultz of Lansing was a Saturday dinner guest of her mother, Mrs. E. Rhode, and Harold. Mr. and Mrs. Joe Gostola were afternoon callers. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Thompson of Holt and Mr. and Mrs. Carl Cook were Sunday visitors.

Roderick Nicholson and Maycie Cook spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Eldred of rural Remus, and also called on Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hines.

Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Hines and children and Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Hines. Mr. and Mrs. Bob Hogg and children were afternoon visitors.

Mrs. Glee Krueger and family and Herman and Alliance Cook spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Don Krueger and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Orves Cook were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Francis Mead of rural Mt. Pleasant.

Several from here attended the funeral of Mrs. Walter Hines at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Remus Monday afternoon. She passed away at the Tri-County Hospital at Edmore Friday, after several months' illness.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Pease of Lansing were Wednesday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Lueder. Mr. and Mrs. Lueder were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Otto Lueder and Carl of Mt. Pleasant.

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## Local Items

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Donley entertained at bridge Sunday evening. Present were Mr. and Mrs. Chester Clark, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Guy, and Mr. and Mrs. Carl Mays.

Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Beutler were Mr. and Mrs. James Beutler and Paula, Jon, Kevin, Annette and Joel.

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