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GOLDEN WEDDING--The children of Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Smith cordially invite friends, neighbors and relatives to an Open House honoring their parents on their 50th wedding anniversary. The reception will be held at the Weidman School cafeteria, from 2 to 5 p. m. Sunday, Oct. 19. Clayton and Clara are old residents of the Sherman Township and Weidman Village areas, and have very many friends.

THE HARRY RUPPS ENJOY NORTHERN VACATION TRIP

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Rupp enjoyed a four-day trip through the Upper Peninsula, visiting Mrs. Rupp's brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Jess Beckman, at Fayette, on the Garden Peninsula.

Fayette, they report, is a genuine old ghost town, and it is delightful.

They drove on through the Upper Peninsula, taking in Lake of the Clouds, the Porcupine Mountains, Wilkinson, Copper Harbor, then took the lakeshore route toward home.

They enjoyed visiting the Keewenaw Peninsula.

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HOME PAPER FOR THE WEST HALF OF ISABELLA COUNTY

GEORGE SKINNER TO BE TREATED WITH NEW DRUG

George Skinner was scheduled to be one of the first in Isabella County to be treated with the new drug described in a front-page feature in Sunday's Detroit Free Press, developed by the Upjohn Pharmaceutical Company.

George is in the Medical Care Facility at Mt. Pleasant, where he is getting physical therapy besides medical treatment.

Monday evening he called his home here in Weidman and said he had just had a blood transfusion, and felt stronger.

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Ernie Gross had a cyst on his back lanced in a doctor's office in Mt. Pleasant last week. He was recovering slowly this week.

Local Items

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Boerema of Wyoming, Mich., spent last Tuesday with her mother, Mrs. Ina Gillett. Mrs. Harry Gatehouse and Mrs. Leo Gatehouse were Saturday visitors. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Rescoe took Mrs. Gillett a beautiful yellow mum plant, and planted it for her. Mr. and Mrs. F.B. Stevens of Sanford were Sunday guests of Mrs. Gillett.

Mrs. Emma Middlesworth was a Wednesday afternoon visitor of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Boger.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Embrey visited Bessie Price and Liza Losey in Mt. Pleasant Sunday. Mrs. Losey was much improved in health. The Embreys also visited Mr. and Mrs. Leo Embrey in Farwell.

Mrs. Vera Hagerman returned home Friday evening after spending two weeks with relatives in Allegan and Kalamazoo.

Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Richardson and children of Jackson spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Noe. The men-folks did some hunting.

Mrs. Marian Brant of Grant visited Blanche Cliff Sunday afternoon. Mrs. Geraldine Darnell of Dearborn and a friend called on Mrs. Edna Schultz.

BETTER THAN A LETTER

Men in Uniform

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Voss were pleased to hear that their son, Sp/4 Steven Voss, had final orders to remain at the Pentagon in Washington for the remainder of his induction time, which will be to May 1.

Editor's Note to our Men in Uniform:

May you all come safely home soon. To those of you in Vietnam, we offer our heartfelt prayers that you'll be sent home reasonably soon, and safely.

To those in the States, and in our garrisons around the world, we hope that one day you'll be home and discharged if you wish. Some of you will want to continue a military career, under new concepts outlined by President Nixon (and he'd better follow through on these!).

Especially to our soldiers in Vietnam and Korea, we send our sincere good wishes and our best hopes for your safe and early return.

And don't forget: We are with you, in any circumstance, in any country, in any controversy or battle.



HARRY HARDENBURGH SHOWS HIS BOA SKI SNOMOBILES--

A good many people stopped in at Harry's Leonard Service Station Saturday to get a look at the Boa Ski line of snomobiles. Harry has a complete line of models, and is justifiably proud of them.

At the drawings for prizes, Leonard McIntyre won a home fire alarm, and Helen Adams also won a home alarm.

This was the first time Weidman had a showing of these increasingly popular vehicles.

Two Rivers

Blanche Carr, Reporter

Norman Carr visited his mother Blanche Carr, Saturday. Mrs. Carr and Mrs. Dwight Aungst and Tim were in Alma on business Tuesday.

Mrs. Lovica Krueger was a Saturday overnight guest of her sister and husband, the Jack Leiders.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis Otto and family of Petoskey were Sunday guests at the Dwight Aungst home.

Mr. and Mrs. Lindy Swan and baby of Milan spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Fred Swan.

Mr. and Mrs. John Bunting and Mrs. Kenneth Bollman visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Oral Bunting, Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Oral Bunting spent Tuesday night and Wednesday at the Elton and Olin Bunting homes, and the Dalton Rayborn's,

of Belding.

Mr. and Mrs. John Harvey of Chippewa Lake, and Virgil and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Harvey of Lansing were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Harvey.

Mrs. Jack Leider entertained the C. M. B. Club Thursday, with 13 ladies present.

Mr. and Mrs. Dalton Carr of Saginaw and Steve Simmer and Pamela and Elton were Sunday evening guests of Blanche Carr.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Flaughner and the Ronald and Russell Flaughers spent the weekend at Ishpeming, and visited Mr. and Mrs. Earl Bushong and family, last week. Mrs. Ray Flaughner spent Tuesday with the Garold Lathams and her father, John Sheldon. Mr. and Mrs. Ray Flaughner were Friday evening guests of Mrs. Leona Courser. Tuesday night Richard and family visited his folks.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Lorenz were Thursday supper guests of Mrs.

Herman Martin and Ray. Mr. and Mrs. John Schupbach and Janet visited Wednesday, and the Philip Meades Thursday evening. Kate called on Maycie Cook Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Myron Johnston celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary Sunday with a dinner. Guests were Mrs. Herman Martin and Raymond, Mrs. Herbert Johnston and son, Ellis, of Woodland, Mr. and Mrs. David Calhoun of Shepherd, Mr. and Mrs. Cloy Waldon, and Mrs. John Johnston.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Kennedy attended the wedding of a friend in Milwaukee Saturday, and went from there to Champagne, Ill., for a visit.

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Jessie Rosencrantz, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Dent spent Tuesday in Lansing with the Chuck Roberts family. Wednesday Gerald went to Alma for tests. Thursday Gerald and Geraldine Johnson went to Saginaw to see their doctor, and Gerald spent Saturday in Lansing. Mabel spent Saturday with her daughter, Geraldine Johnson, and called on her mother, Mrs. Emily Wood. Mr. and Mrs. Harry Dent and baby spent the weekend with his folks. Mrs. Johnson and children and Kathy and Clay McCreight spent Saturday evening at the Dent home. Mr. and Mrs. Harold Krueger and children were Sunday evening guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Del Johnson of Pontiac spent the weekend with their son and family, the Benn Johnsons. The Benn Johnson family attended a football game at Barryton.

Mr. and Mrs. Alva Cummins spent Friday evening with their daughter and husband, the Tracy Whites.

Garth Lawrence and Pam brought Wm. Cummins to spend some time with his parents. William has been discharged from Veterans Hospital in Saginaw, and is feeling better. Mrs. Nora Jones of Stanton and her son, Merton, of Detroit, were Saturday guests of the Cummins. Mrs. Nettie Lawrence was a Sunday afternoon caller, as also was Floyd Dutcher.

Mrs. Celia Backus and daughter, Linda, of Pontiac spent the weekend with her sisters, Mrs. Margaret Denslow and the Floyd Millers. On Sunday Mrs. Backus and Linda went to Port Huron to attend the Backus reunion. Mr. and Mrs. Dean Denslow and children and Kenneth Ehler were Sunday evening guests of Mrs. Margaret Denslow, celebrating Elaine's birthday, with a birthday cake.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Oplinger attended an NFO state convention at the Ovid-Elsie High School Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Gross and

Curt and Casey were Saturday evening guests of the Gerald Loyses.

Garth Lawrence and Pam were Saturday dinner guests of his mother, Mrs. Nettie Lawrence.

Floyd Dutcher was a Tuesday caller at the Charlie Losey home. Mr. and Mrs. Roy Dutcher were Saturday afternoon callers.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Losey called on the Sherman Smiths at Riverdale, Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Blanche Carr was a Friday dinner and afternoon guest of Yours Truly. Mrs. Beth Jackson and Miss Blanche Cliff were Saturday afternoon callers.

Mrs. Eva Denslow spent Saturday and did some shopping with her daughter and family, the Russell Swans, at Midland. Sunday they all went to Lansing and were dinner guests of the Kenneth Denslow family.

Mr. and Mrs. Vance Wood and Gloria, Dianne, Jenne, Gale, Mary Ellen and Dean, Susan Wood and Bill Sharp were Sunday dinner guests of Mrs. Flora Wood.

Mr. and Mrs. Pat Bunting were Saturday evening guests of the Sterling Oplingers.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Thompson and boys and Jack Thompson spent Sunday in Grand Rapids with the Chuck Wilson family. While there they visited the Roger Chaffee Planetarium.

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Coldwater Lake

Marjorie Schafer, Reporter

Hi.

Well, there's not too much news this week. Didn't have time to do any calling.

Our renters, the Roger Singers, moved out last week, so we are cleaning the place up to rent again.

Our son, Don, and wife have bought a lot across from us. So Dad and the boys have been helping them put in septic tank and drain field. I have been taking care of granddaughter Josette for them. They plan to move their trailer home in soon.

The Walt Wischmeyers spent the weekend at Higgins Lake, visiting his sister and husband.

Wednesday evening Bob and Renelda Klumpp and Ed visited our folks, Mr. and Mrs. Otto Klumpp, at the Ardis Nursing Home. Sunday we all visited Russ and Pauline Klumpp at Remus.

Well, the boys attending the area vocational school ate their lunch with us today (Monday). One of the boys, Terry Powell, said his father, Tom, was released from the hospital and was home but not too good.

Well, guess that's it for this week.

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WHAT: Rummage Sale. WHERE: Isabella County Medical Care Facility, 1222 N. Drive, Mt. Pleasant. WHEN: Friday, Oct. 17, Saturday, Oct. 18. Where: In Activities Room. Sponsored by the I. C. M. C. F. Auxilliary.

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Card of Thanks

Many thanks to our children, especially Billie Jo, for all the plans, effort and time they spent for the event of our 25th wedding anniversary;

Daisy Embrey for the beautiful cake; Bonnie, Berneda and Loretta, who worked so hard;

Our heartfelt thanks to all our many friends who attended, and for the many cards, lovely gifts and gifts of money we received.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Sprague

the Churches

WEIDMAN BAPTIST CHURCH
 Rev. Marvin Eldridge, Pastor
 Sunday School, 10 a.m.
 Morning Worship, 11 a.m.
 Evening Service, 7.30 p.m.
 Oct. 19-24, revival services. Beginning Sunday morning, then each night at 7.30. Everyone welcome.

There were 21 from the Weidman Baptist Church at the Youth Rally in Clare Oct. 11, and the Weidman group won the trophy. If they can win it twice more, they may keep it.

WEIDMAN UNITED METHODIST
 Rev. Lawrence Smith, Pastor
 Church School, 10 a.m.
 Worship, 11 a.m.
 M. Y. F. Sunday evening 6 o'clock.

Next Sunday, Oct. 19, Fellowship dinner following the Worship Service. Pot-luck dinner. Bring pot-luck dishes and table service.

Tuesday, Oct. 21, Esther Circle, 8 p.m. Hostess Kaye Coston.

Thursday, Oct. 23, McArthur Circle. Hostess Emma Middlesworth.

Thursday evening, Oct. 23, 7.30, Weidman Circuit Church Conference. Each member of the churches, Coomer, Winn, and Weidman, should be present. Dist. Supt. Rev. Wiltse of Mt. Pleasant will preside at the conference.

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.

CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE
 Located four miles west, one-half mile south, one-half mile west of Weidman (Forest Hill Church).

Thursday prayer service, 7.30 p.m.

Sunday School, 10 a.m.
 Morning Worship, 11 a.m.

Rev. Arthur Beard of Alma will be the supply pastor for the Weidman Church of the Nazarene for the next two Sundays.

Rev. Donald Wolfgang will move into the parsonage the last week in October, to take up full pastorate of the church Nov. 2.

GILMORE CHURCH OF CHRIST
 George V. Getchel, Minister
 Ph. 588-4663

Morning Worship, 9 a.m. and 11 a.m.

Bible School, 10 a.m.

Gilmore Christian Youth, 6 p.m.

Evening Worship, 7.30 p.m.

Wednesday Bible Study, 7 p.m.

SUNDAY SCHOOL
 LANSING SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS ENJOYS LAKE OUTING
 Rev. Carl Allen of Lansing South Church brought a Sunday School class to Lake of the Hills Saturday evening, for a steak barbecue at the Albert Hunt home on the lake.

Twenty-eight were present, and enjoyed the cookout, visiting, and boat riding.

Mr. and Mrs. Hunt were members of Rev. Allen's church when they lived in Lansing. They recently moved into their permanent home on Lake of the Hills.

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Real Estate Transfers

Lake Isabella Corp. to Albert Jr. Snider Jr. & Wife; Lot 205, Lake Isabella Plat No. 3, Sherman Twp.

Lake Isabella Corp. to E. Calvin Schneider Jr.; Lot 409 Lake Isabella Plat No. 3, Broomfield Twp.

Harry L. Nelson & Wife to Larry J. Sheets & Wife; Lot 3, Stauffer Plat, Chippewa Twp.

Donald K. McKillip & Wife to City of Mt. Pleasant; Pt. Lot 3, Blk. 14, Original Plat, City of Mt. Pleasant.

Ruth A. McIlroy to City of Mt. Pleasant; Lot 5, Blk. 11, Original

Plat, City of Mt. Pleasant. Julia Fortino to City of Mt. Pleasant; Pt. Lot 3, Blk. 14, Original Plat.

Loretta O'Brien to City of Mt. Pleasant; Pt. Lot 4, Blk. 14, Original Plat, Pt. SW 1/4 NE 1/4 of Sec. 15, Union Twp.

Wincov, Inc. to City of Mt. Pleasant; Lot 4, Pt. Lot 5, Blk. 43, Original Plat, City of Mt. Pleasant.

Nora M. O'Brien Est to City of Mt. Pleasant; Pt. Lot 2, Blk. 14, Pt. Lot 3, Blk. 14, Original Plat, Pt. SW 1/4 NE 1/4 of Sec. 15, Union Twp.

John A. Beltinck & Wife to Bud E. Flynn & Ruth A.; Pt. SE 1/4 SE 1/4 of Sec. 18, Union Twp.

Thomas R. Pell & Wife to City of Mt. Pleasant; Lot 5, Blk. 12, Original Plat, City of Mt. Pleasant.

Raymond J. Freeze & Wife to James R. Barwick & Wife; Pt. SE 1/4 SW 1/4 of Sec. 9, Deerfield Twp.

Ned W. Hansen & Wife to Robert M. Rader & Wife; Lot 248, Pleasant View No. 3, City of Mt. Pleasant.

Forrest G. Williams & Wife to Roy B. Sunderman & Wife; Pt. NE 1/4 NE 1/4 of Sec. 7, Chippewa Twp.

Roscoe W. Kelgley & Wife to Theresa Cohoon; Lot 17, Assessors Plat No. 4, City of Mt. Pleasant.

Harold R. Verleger & Wife to Charles R. Seitz & Wife; Lot 27, O'Haras Sub. No. 4, Union Twp.

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Walker Creek News

Esther Stanley, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Dillenbeck were Sunday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Austin Dent of Sherman City.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Zill and sons were Saturday overnight and Sunday guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roland Zill, of St. Charles, and his brother, Jerry, who is in the Armed Forces. Jerry leaves for Vietnam soon.

Mrs. Charles Voss took her sister, Mrs. Gerald Latham, to town Saturday. Mr. Latham is in very poor health. Hope to hear he improves soon.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Schrock visited his mother, Mrs. Nella Schrock, and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Smith, of Riverdale, Friday night. Mr. and Mrs. Otto Schrock of Littlefield Lake were Monday supper guests at the Schrock home, and Mr. Schrock reported he thought they had left for Florida the latter part of the week.

Getting 'bout that time, as a cold wave is reported coming! Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Rodman of Crooked Lake visited Mr. and Mrs. Otis Conley Wednesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Barry Conley and son spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Suman, of Weidman. The Sumans are doing extensive remodeling of their home.

Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Schrock and Philip visited Mr. and Mrs. Jack Coon Monday evening. Mrs. Coon called at the Schrock home Saturday afternoon.

Weekend visitors and callers of Mr. and Mrs. Warren Leiter and family were Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Leiter of Hannah Lake, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Stebelton of Mt. Pleasant, her father, Arthur Loomis, and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Loomis and family.

Hazen Thompson and Ralph were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Keith Thompson and Roddy.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Corwin, Robert, Jr., and Kyle of Fenton spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Denslow. They were all Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Micky Dargitz of rural Remus.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Ley of Conklin and Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Gray and Timothy and Tamara of Lansing were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lou Gray. Mrs. Gary Portenga and children were callers.

Howard Monroe reported that Rev. Marvin Eldridge was taking him to the Mt. Pleasant hospital Monday. Blane was excused from school to stay with Mrs. Monroe. Hope to hear you're well soon.

Mr. and Mrs. Keith Loomis and Teresa and Jean Ann spent Sat-

urday over night and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Harold Peeper and sons of Lansing.

Mrs. Warren Leiter visited her grandmother, Mrs. Ethel McLean, Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Cloyce Miller of Big Rapids were Sunday evening visitors of his mother.

Mr. and Mrs. Micky Dargitz and family of rural Remus visited Mr. and Mrs. Leo Denslow Thursday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Ronald De Vries and Rhonda and Rocco of Big Rapids and Mr. and Mrs. Willis Finney and sons of the Coldwater oil field were Sunday guests of the Denslows.

Mr. and Mrs. Ambrose Kerns of Leroy visited Mr. and Mrs. Harry Dosenberry Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Kerns were hunting moose recently in the Upper Peninsula and she shot a large moose, bringing the big head to show as a trophy.

Kathy and Lou Ann Tice of Barryton spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Emmons and Eddie John.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Stanley and Michael, Martin, Richard, Sheryl and Sheila were Wednesday evening supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Russell Stanley.

Mr. and Mrs. David Moore and Debbie and Pamela of Lake Thirteen visited Saturday. Mrs. Moore and daughters and Mrs. Stanley called on Mrs. Donald Pung and children of Beal City Saturday afternoon. Callers during the week at the Stanley home were Mr. and Mrs. Edward Marshall of Coleman, Percy Smith of south Clare, and Howard Johnson.

We have been concerned over Mr. Skinner's health, and hope to hear he's improving. Thought I'd write a poem to cheer him up.

"Dear George:
The bluegills are getting bigger
In the Lake of the Hills,
So hope you'll soon be better
From all of your ills.

"If it's too cold to fish,
I'm sure you could play
A good game of euchre,
So come home today!"
E. Stanley.

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REBEKAH CARD PARTY HAS FIVE TABLES IN PLAY

Five tables of pepper were in play at the last regular Rebekah sponsored card party.

Prizes were won by Ruth Worley, Claribel Beutler, Jessie Rosenkrantz. The door prize was won by Clayton Smith.

Lunch was served by the committee. The next party will be Oct. 21.

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NEWS NOTES

Jim Hughes, news director of Radio Station WCEN, was a Saturday caller at the George Skinner home, and was a luncheon guest.

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We were reminiscing, one evening recently, about the September we built our home and Flower Shop here in Weidman. Sixteen years ago, it was, and autumn that year was much like this, warm enough to build and pour cement and lay up blocks.

At first we had just our house and the small greenhouse attached to it. The first year we were in business, we took in \$180.00. Toward spring, a few people asked us if we'd fill their cemetery urns for Memorial Day. That first year we filled and took care of eight urns in the Weidman Cemetery. The following year we had three urns in the Beal City Cemetery.

We soon found that our little greenhouse couldn't accommodate everything we bought, made, and grew. So we bought Walt and Marie Smith's old milk house, and Walt moved it to our place. We had Jerry Straus run a foundation for it, and we repaired it some, and for a while it took care of the overflow.

In a few more years we were cramped for space again. Minnie Roe gave us a building in which the Roes had raised chickens, a cow, calves, and cocker spaniels, in that order. Again we called Jerry Straus, and he and his crew skidded the building, which we now call the annex, to its present location east of our house. A year or so later, Jerry and his men built the glass house on the south side of the annex. Connie gave us most of the glass for it, glass which she'd brought up here from Middleville.

We thought all this would give us enough room. But Memorial Day, 1969, found us cramped for room again. Jerry Straus told us he was all booked up,

so we contacted Max, who is building a rigid-plastic addition to the glass house, for Memorial Day, 1970.

It seems incredible that we could start out so small and gradually expand our business until now we fill more than 100 urns, sell 500 geraniums, 200 flowering potted petunias and 100 artificial flower pieces, besides the assorted small items necessary, at Memorial Day.

Through the years we've had more and more flower orders for weddings, funerals, Mother's Day, Easter, Christmas, banquets, hospitals, anniversaries, and gifts. Many of our brides have written or called on us to thank us for doing such a good job on their flowers. Many people have come here and have given us warm compliments on our funeral work.

Verne Crittenden stopped here one day and said, "I've seen a lot of funeral flowers, but those you made up for today's funeral were the most beautiful I've ever seen."

We've sold countless ornamental evergreens and perennial plants, and have made many landscape plans for cottages and homes. We make and sell about 100 Christmas wreaths and door ornaments every year.

We are grateful for all the help we've had, over the years, and for the faith all you wonderful people have in us. We still love working with flowers, and seeing old and new friends. We feel we're still good for a few more years of working with flowers and plants and fancy evergreens.

We invite you to stop and see us. If you don't need any flowers, just come anyway, and visit.

Sincerely,

Barney and Frances Tranbarger
THE FLOWER SHOP, Weidman



Beal City

Dora Smith, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Bush and children of Saginaw were Sunday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Neubecker.

Al Clevenger is in CMC Hospital for treatment of back trouble. He was in traction. He expected to be there most of this week.

Anna Simmer, Mrs. Joe Pung and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Schafer attended the funeral of Mrs. Heyer in Portland Saturday.

Mrs. Jerry Schafer and Mrs. Tony Schafer visited Mrs. Peter Schafer at the Medical Care Facility in Mt. Pleasant last Thursday afternoon. Mrs. Schafer was very ill. Her daughter, Sister Marie Alexander, of Albuquerque, N. M., is helping care for her.

Mr. and Mrs. Milo Eldred of Blanchard and Mr. and Mrs. Tony Schafer took a tour through Farwell Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Al Klumpp of Mt. Pleasant spent Saturday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Tony Schafer.

Mrs. Gary Riggle spent Tuesday with Mrs. Shirley Anderson.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Anderson spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Dale Anderson.

Mr. and Mrs. Steven Kramer and his mother, Mrs. Carl Cramer, of Pewamo, had dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Joe Keiffer one day last week. Mrs. Leo Fedewa of Pewamo visited Mrs. Herman Martin one day last week, and also called on the Keiffers.

Mrs. Carl Kramer and son, Steve, visited Mr. and Mrs. Sonny Thelen at Coldwater Lake recently.

Mr. and Mrs. George Keiffer and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Keiffer made a trip to Canada and stayed for about a week in a cot-

tage at Sears Lake. They visited their brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Keiffer, in Dearborn.

Mrs. Ed Blasen spent one day last week with Mrs. Bill Trowbridge in Midland.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Smith and family of Big Rapids spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Bill Smith at Beal City.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Blasen spent Sunday with Oscar Fedewa at Houghton Lake.

Wednesday callers of Louise Smith were Will Pung, Mrs. Walter Rau, Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Simmer of Reed City, and they stayed for dinner. Louise and the Simmers went to the Rau home for a visit.

Mrs. Charlie Schafer of Grand Rapids was in Beal City and attended church here Sunday.

Dan Bovin of Lansing and Susanne Simmer of Reed City spent Saturday afternoon visiting around Beal City. They were supper guests of the Walter Rau family. Dan stayed Friday and Saturday at the Louise Smith home.

Margaret and Jean Judge took Mrs. Clara Fox to the Jim Fox home near Winn Sunday. They went to Wyman for supper.

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Local Items

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Frantz visited the Harvey Blackmers of rural Barryton Sunday.

Lewis Frantz, Jr., of North Carolina came home Sunday to visit at his father's home a week or so.

Mr. and Mrs. Rocky Knipfer of Long Beach, Calif., were Wednesday and Thursday guests of their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Goodrich. Thursday, Rose Barrett of Mason and Ann Rood of Lansing, and Mildred Moore of Holt spent Thursday with the

Goodriches. Weekend guests were the John Pick family of Holt, who have just moved into their new home on Lake of the Hills.

Mr. and Mrs. David Flower and Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell McArthur and the Wilsons of Stanton spent

the weekend at Foxy Inn, near Kalkaska. The McArthurs and Wilsons were camping.

Dan Carrick returned home from CMC Hospital Sunday, after undergoing surgery Oct. 2. He was reported as coming along fine.



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Goldie Dutcher, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Crawford of Grand Rapids spent the weekend with the Harry Gatehouses. Mr. and Mrs. Bill Maeder and Mark were callers.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Gatehouse and family called on Mr. and Mrs. Ben Probasco at Halls Lake. The Provascos live at Sunfield.

Beatrice and Vadah Gatehouse called on Ina Gillett Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Maeder and Mark were Sunday evening luncheon guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Maeder.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Dutcher and sons of rural Merrill, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Dutcher and Douglas and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Howe, Jr., and Joyce and Bobby were Sunday dinner guests of the Clayton Dutchers.

Jim Dutcher was an afternoon caller of the Clayton Dutchers. Mrs. Jessie Rosencrantz and Mrs. Hattie Losey spent Saturday evening with Mrs. Dutcher. Mrs. Dutcher called on Mrs. Joyce Yuncker and family Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Toncray, cousins of Lucile, of Eaton Rapids, were Wednesday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Orrie Merrihew. They were on their way to Lake Louise.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hines called on the Ervin Dutchers Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Dutcher called on Mr. and Mrs. Alva Jones of Blanchard Tuesday. They also called on Mrs. Elsie O'Melia of Lansing, who was visiting friends in Blanchard.

Jack Tabor and friend of Lansing called on Mrs. Catherine McDaniel Sunday, and did some hunting.

Jim Beutler of Rosebush and Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Beutler had Sunday dinner with the Carl Beutler family.

Mrs. Marion Beutler and children and Mrs. Mary Beutler and

children called on Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Beutler Sunday evening.

Mrs. Ervin Dutcher and Mrs. Edna Merrihew attended Busy Bees at the home of Florence Hoffman Thursday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Dutcher of St. Louis had lunch with the Ervin Dutchers, Sr., Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Chaffee and Nancy were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Alan Marshall, helping Darrin celebrate his birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Willard Ransom and sons of Flint spent Friday over night with her folks, the Harry Hardenburghs.

Penny Elkins of Remus and Becky Bush of Blanchard called on Linda Hardenburgh Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim McDaniel and John Davison of Holt called on Catherin McDaniel during the weekend.

Garylond Washburn of Owosso spent Sunday afternoon with Harry and Leo Gatehouse.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Dutcher called on Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Case and Burgess Sunday evening.

The Richard Dutchers spent Saturday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Hines and family.

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Local Items

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Wilson of Grand Rapids were last Wednesday luncheon guests at the home of her father, Barney Tranbarger, and Frances.

Mr. and Mrs. Garold St. John and family visited her grandmother, Mrs. Dora Hess, at Midland, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Smith and Jim and Mrs. Leah Scharrer were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Roger Smith and boys, in Flint.

Guests of Mrs. Emily Wood during last week were Margie Denslow, Mabel Dent, Geraldine Johnson. Sunday visitors were Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Kirvan and daughter and Mr. and Mrs. John Pyle and family of Flint,

and Dave Ketchem of West Branch; Mr. and Mrs. Roy Wood and Mr. and Mrs. Ken Griebel of Bay City, and Raymond Kirvan came Saturday and brought his mother a new refrigerator.

Mrs. Nina Forbes called on Mrs. Pat Hathaway Sunday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Bill McCarty of Port Huron were also visitors of Mrs. Hathaway.

Marie Smith and Viola Sampsell of Florida came the weekend

for a short stay. They called on Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Smith Tuesday morning.

Mrs. Nina Forbes and Mrs. Claribel Beutler attended Grand Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, in Grand Rapids, Tuesday of this week.

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Central Gilmore

Lola Fordyce, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Vanness Cook were Sunday dinner guests of Mrs. Bernice Cook of Farwell.

Elmer Rhode is home from the Midland hospital. He is getting around on crutches, but not able to do very much.

Mrs. Elsie Wood entered the Clare hospital Monday afternoon and is still there.

Mrs. Myrtle Glass is still in a critical condition. She has been in a coma for nearly three weeks.

Raymond Wood is still in the Alma hospital, but getting along fine. He expects to be home in a few days.

Sorry that Lena Cole did not get home last week as she had expected. I talked with her Monday morning, and she was feeling much better.

Guess this is all of the hospital report for this week.

A large number of friends and old neighbors from Gilmore attended Open House for Mr. and Mrs. Claude Fordyce of Farwell on their 50th wedding anniversary Sunday. Hope they have many more.

Mr. and Mrs. La Verne Perry of Midland were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Pitts. They all visited Lola Graham and Emma Perry at the Ardis Rest Home, and also Open House for Mr. and Mrs. Fordyce.

Mr. and Mrs. Archie Fordyce of Saginaw called at the Egbert Fordyce home Thursday evening.

The Pioneer Farm Bureau will meet with Mr. and Mrs. Claude Fordyce of Farwell Oct. 20. It was put off one week.

Sympathy is extended to the family of Mrs. Lillian Warner. She was laid to rest in the Gilmore Cemetery Saturday afternoon. She was the mother of Harold Warner.

Sunday morning as Arlie Renner and family were going to church, a horse jumped out of the ditch in front of the car. No one in the car was hurt, but the horse was killed. Much damage was done to the front of the car.

The Merry Go Round Club will be one week early, next month: Nov. 6.

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Brinton News

Frances Beck, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Geasler and Carl and Ellen Geasler attended the funeral of Mrs. Lillie Warner at the Coker Funeral Home in Farwell Saturday.

Little Jimmie Measel, son of Mr. and Mrs. Don Measel, spent the weekend with his uncle and aunt, Carl and Ellen Geasler.

Mrs. Ralph Geasler, Mrs. Clifford Jones, Mrs. Bruce Jones and Frances Beck were in Saginaw Tuesday.

N. Broomfield

Many members of the Broomfield Lutheran Church attended dedication of St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Remus Sunday.

Misses Dorothy and Florence Davis of Morrice, Mrs. Nettie Meissner of Detroit, Mrs. Lyda Lueder, Mrs. Eda Van Zandt, Gordon Schlegel, Mr. and Mrs. Emil Lueder and Mrs. Frances Handy were callers of Mrs. Maycie Cook the past week.

The Lutheran Ladies' Aid met with Mrs. Herman Lueder Wednesday evening. The November meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. E. R. Rhode.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Austin are guests of her son and family, the Ward Deihls, of Detroit.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Lueder spent Sunday with their daughter, Dorothy, and family, of Trufant.

Mrs. Richard Lueder called on Mrs. Margie Hyder recently.

Mrs. E. R. Rhode visited Mrs. Richard Stevens Wednesday.

Mrs. Bea Adams, Mrs. Vida Lueder, Mrs. Jean Smith, Mrs. Nettie Meissner and Mrs. Bertha LeMay called on Mrs. E. R. Rhode recently.

Sunday dinner guests of Mrs. Nettie Crowley were her daughter, Mrs. Edna Toarmina, and her son, Gary, and Sandra; another son, Sam, and family, another son, Sonny and family, and daughter, Mrs. Joyce Lamberite, and son, all of Detroit.

Rhonda and Brenda Hines, daughters of the Bud Hineses of Winchester Dam, spent the weekend with their grandparents, the Robert Hineses.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hines called on the Ervin Dutchers Sunday.

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Flossie Scott and Don entertained their sister and aunt from Belding a few days last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Durkee of near Beaverton spent Sunday with his mother, Mrs. Whaley.

Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell Geasler and family of Lansing spent the weekend with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Geasler.

Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Moon of Battle Creek spent the weekend at their trailer.

Mrs. Mercer of Farwell has been spending a few days with her son, Dale Mercer, and family.

Lillie Maddox and her grandson, Douglas Amy, and friend of Saginaw spent the weekend at Elmer Amy's cottage at Crooked Lake, where the boys did some hunting. Lillie remained for a while with Frances Beck.

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Weidman Bank	8	10
Schlitz Beer	8	10
Giant Super Mkt.	7	11
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Beal City Service	7	11

High Team Series: Central Concrete 3071. High Team Game: Central Concrete 1088.

High Indv. Series: Tom Bierschbach 575, Dale Lawens 557, Bob Lyons 550.

High Indv. Game: John Haupt 218, Ron Neubecker 211, Dale Lawens 210-209.

GUY'S & DOLLS

Oct. 10, 1969

Thon & Blake	17	7
Foster & Moore	16	8
Bleise & Straus	15	9
Ecker & Eldred	14	10
Blehm & Moore	13	11
McArthur & Anderson	12	12
Nolte & Cook	11	13
Lyon & Wilson	10	14
Bierschbach & Zill	9	15
Lawens & Pantenburg	9	15
Green & McConnell	9	15
Sharrar & Mattonen	9	15

High Team Series: Nolte & Cook 2336. High Team Game: Thon & Blake 828.

High Series, men: Bob Bleise 554, Buck Nolte 533, Bob Lyon 527. High Game, men: Lou Ecker 223, Ken Green 209, Dale Lawens 199, Jerry Thon 199.

High Series, women: Shirley Foster 478, Gert Nolte 468, Ollie Priest (sub) 460. High Game, women: Gert Nolte 178, Carol Pantenburg 171, Shirley Foster 167.

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THE FRED SMITHS HONORED ON ANNIVERSARY

Fred and Kate Smith were honored guests at the home of their granddaughter, Mrs. Art Yunker, and her husband, Oct. 5.

About 75 relatives, old friends and neighbors came to wish Fred Happy Birthday on his 94th year, and also Happy Anniversary on the couple's 64th wedding date.

A delicious pot-luck dinner, with a beautifully decorated cake, was the highlight of the afternoon.

Mrs. Helen Alwood stopped on her way home from work to see Fred and Katie. Helen called later to get a picture from Mrs. Yunker, and was sorry to learn they didn't turn out from Micky's camera. We'll try to get one at a later date for the Messenger, from one of the other relatives.

Happy Birthday and Anniversary, old friends!

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BEAL CITY CALESTHENICS SESSION--A part of initiation ceremonies at the Beal City FFA, at the Beal City Public School. Shown above are: Standing, left to right: Ken Block, Jeff Wilson, Bernie Bierschbach. On the floor: Tom Cotter, Steve Morris, John Zeien, Mike Fox, Mike Smith, Bill Purtill.

The Beal City Chapter of the Future Farmers of America recently held its informal initiation at the Beal City High School.

Each student of agriculture wishing to join the FFA was requested to participate in the event.

The initiation was planned and carried out by previously active members of the organization.

As the initiation is a tradition of this Chapter, all active members were at one time subjected to the same, or similar, activities.

As he is a new teacher at Beal City, Vocational Ag Instructor DuVall was also requested to participate.

DuVall said, "The boys showed good humor and a it was a very good initiation. Because it is an informal and somewhat secretive event, any further comments would be out of order."

Refreshments were served, following the "ceremonies", and new members were welcomed as active FFA members. A formal initiation will follow at a later date.

Students who went through the initiation were Mike Straus, Jerry Straus, Mark Clare, Tom Cotter, Mike Fox, Joe Garrett, Tom Gross, Paul Gross, Mike Harless, Harry Hauck, Don Kolarik, Harry Millard, Steve Morris, Stan Pasch, Dennie Pohl, Ron Pohl, Gary Pohl, Bill Purtill, Mark Schafer, Mike Smith, Al Straus, Dean Tilmann, Neal Tilmann, John Zeien, Robert Boge, Rodney Simmer, and John Martin.

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Local Items

Mrs. Jerry Darnell and Mrs. Mabel Siwla of Dearborn called on Mrs. Edna Schultz Sunday.

The Rebekahs' District meeting was held at Shepherd Wednesday evening. Those attending from Weidman were Sally Raub, District Treasurer; Lillian Johnston, Past President of the District; Margaret Hathaway, and Edna Schultz.

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Elvah Gott, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Blodgett went to Roscommon to see his doctor Friday. They visited Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Lutz of Remus Sunday.

Saturday visitors at the Gerald Latham home were Mr. and Mrs. Carl Latham and Mr. and Mrs. Bert Chaffee. Wednesday callers were Mr. and Mrs. Elic Latham of Williamston, Mrs. Earl Blodgett and Mrs. Minnie Flaughter. Gerald is still in bed, and not

very good.

Mrs. Phyllis Wernette and children spent the day with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Don Abbott, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Adams and Mrs. Bob Embrey were shopping in Clare Wednesday. Mr. and Mrs. Adams went on a color tour Sunday, and reported the trees were beautiful.

Albert Gott of Winn and Mrs. Flossie Allen had supper with Mr. and Mrs. John Gott Saturday.

Mrs. Bessie Allen, Mrs. Joan Allen and baby, Brenda, of Farwell, and Becky Graham called on Mr. and Mrs. John Gott Sunday after church. A week ago Sunday, the James Kennedy family got together at the Micky Abbott home for a pot-luck dinner.

Mrs. Hermione Smith enjoyed chicken dinner at the Don Alwood home Sunday. Rusty Alwood was also home, just returning from a week's trip into Canada for moose hunting with Roger Maeder, John Birgy and Eddie Kavanaugh. No luck for the boys, but they plan to return another time soon.

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Local Items

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Herman and Mr. and Mrs. Tom Herman and Christine Sue drove to Frankfort Sunday, on a color tour. At Baldwin they ran into rain, which continued for the rest of the trip.

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