

# The Weidman Messenger

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## Editor's Column

By Connie

### PUBLIC LEARNS ABOUT EDUCATION "REFORM" BILLS AT BEAL CITY MEETING

At a public meeting at the Beal City School last Friday evening, a hundred interested parents and taxpayers learned about Gov. Milliken's "education reform" bills now being processed in the State Legislature.

Harmon Cropsey, legislative chairman for Friends of Michigan Schools, was the speaker, and he explained various aspects of the package of bills. He pointed out several objectionable details, not the least of which was the State's ultimate goal of doing away with local school districts entirely and eventually having just one mammoth "district" for the whole state of Michigan.

Beginning with consolidations like the big district of the Chippewa Hills Schools, the State's goal is to whittle the districts down to 10 or 15, and eventually do away with even those and have just one huge bureaucracy for the Michigan schools.

We in the Chippewa Hills District have already learned that the big-big school district gives us no home-school, no identity either as a school or as a town. Also the edicts of the administration of a school district as large as Chippewa Hills are unknown personally to parents and taxpayers (who're they?) and school developments and activities become vague and distant hearsay to the average person.

Cropsey did not point out the above observations: We did.

Cropsey did say that if he had children in a parochial school he would not be in favor of "parochial". He pointed out that no government money is "given" without strings attached. If the parochial schools are to remain independent religious places of learning, they must not come under state or federal control.

Cropsey said that the recent passing by the state Senate on the parochial bill would have shocked a lot of people if they had been there and witnessed the wheeler-dealer antics of the Senate.

He also said that the proposed 16-mill tax limitation, touted  
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### WEIDMAN STATE BANK, ISABELLA COUNTY STATE BANK ANNOUNCE MERGER TO BECOME OPERATIVE IN MARCH



J. ELMER GRAHAM  
President, Isabella County State Bank

The directors of the Isabella County State Bank and the Weidman State Bank are pleased to announce that they have signed an agreement to merge, by exchange of stock, and operate as the Isabella County State Bank.

The agreement is subject to the approval of the several state and federal supervisory agencies and the shareholders of both banks, and will be voted upon at their annual meetings the third Tuesday of January, 1970.

It is hoped that the transfers can be completed in order that the business operation may be consolidated as of March 1, 1970.

The Isabella County State Bank was organized and received its charter on July 3, 1903, at which time the bank was purchased from John S. Weidman, who just a short time previously had purchased the bank operated under the name of Weber and Reuel, a private banking company.

In 1908, seven of the shareholders of the Isabella County State Bank, John S. Weidman, Floyd Mitchell, Elton J. Van Leuven, Frank G. Thiers, Fred L. Keeler, Arba Z. Campbell and John A. Damon, formed a partnership and opened banks at Weidman, Rosebush and Farwell.



LEON G. McARTHUR  
President, Weidman State Bank

Floyd Mitchell was named cashier of the Weidman Bank; Floyd Oliver, cashier of the Farwell Bank; and Homer Campbell, cashier of the Rosebush Bank. All the banks are now state banks.

The Weidman Bank was re-organized and incorporated as a State bank in December, 1948. Leon G. McArthur, who was with the Holmes Milling Company, stepped into the Weidman Bank for a couple of weeks in May, 1917, to give them some assistance in their book-keeping department. He has remained with the bank and is now the president.

J. Elmer Graham, who started working with the Farwell Bank in November, 1917, transferred to the Isabella County State Bank in April, 1919, and is now the president.

The two banks have been very closely associated in their business transactions during the years of their existence, so it is only natural that they combine their forces at this time and operate as one bank.

The Weidman bank will continue to operate as usual here with no changes in policy or personnel, according to present plans. The only difference will be that the Weidman bank will have the added facilities of a big bank.

## Men in Uniform

Here's an address for Christmas card sending:  
Sp/4 Steve Voss, Hdq. Co.,  
USA Box 128, Fort Myer, Virginia 22211.

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### SANTA CLAUS WILL BE IN WEIDMAN DEC. 20

Santa Claus will make his regular annual visit to Weidman on Saturday, Dec. 20, at 1 o'clock in the afternoon.

It is expected he'll be under the marquee at Marshall's Sales & Service, the usual place for him to meet and greet area kids.

He'll have sacks of candy and nuts to give the little ones, too. He is brought here each year by the Weidman Business Association.

All kids are invited to see him that afternoon.

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### WORK BEE AT NEW LIBRARY BUILDING DEC. 13

There will be a work bee at the Weidman Library Building Saturday, Dec. 13, from 9 a. m. on.

Please plan on spending an hour or two in preparing the building for use.

The jobs are endless. We need to paint; insulate the ceiling; mend the roof in a foot-wide area; remove part of a partition; build, paint and place shelves; sand, paint or stain tables and chairs; put up light fixtures, and hang drapes.

Bring any of your own tools you may need and can use (hammer, paint brush, sandpaper, staple gun, staples, etc.).

Any help you can give will be greatly appreciated.

### IS YOUR MESSENGER SUBSCRIPTION DUE? THE EXPIRATION DATE IS PRINTED EACH WEEK ON YOUR PAPER, BESIDE YOUR ADDRESS.

WE HAVE VERY FEW UNPAID SUBSCRIPTIONS.

The Isabella County State Bank has assets of approximately 25 million dollars. The Weidman bank has approximately three million in assets.

**Editor's Column**

By Connie

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by proponents of Milliken's "reform" package, is worded so that after the first year there would be no limit on taxation powers of the state. He said he'd bet that in about four years after the tax went into effect, people's taxes would be double what they are now.

Sleep tight.

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**Local Items**

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Sisco are the proud parents of a son, born Dec. 5, at CMC Hospital in Mt. Pleasant.

Mrs. Dave Brown and Mrs. Dave Garrett of Mt. Pleasant were Thursday visitors of Mrs. Kit Johnson.

Mrs. James Noe returned Sunday to her home, after spending last week in Sparrow Hospital. She was some improved.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Beutler spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Earl Fordyce of rural Mt. Pleasant.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Beutler and children were Thursday supper guests of his folks, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Beutler.

HOME PAPER FOR THE WEST HALF OF ISABELLA COUNTY

**Beal City Cites Honor Students**

7th Grade

All A's: Marian Clark.

B Average: Keitha Biersbach, Pamela Block, Theresa Britten, Janice Clevenger, Jeanne Gross, Marlene Gruss, Terri Jones, Dawn Luce and Leo Pasch. Cindy Rau, Stanley Schafer, Janet Sheahan, Linda Simmer, Ann Smith, Steve Thomas, Phillip Tilmann, Debbie Weber, Rosemary Zeien, Christy Zuker.

8th Grade

All A's: Catherine Puhg, Lynette Schafer, Mary Smith, Lynn Starr.

B Average: Beverly Breuer, Annette Fox, Irene Fox, Mary Fussman, Doug Garrett, Tim Garrett, Ken Gross, Tim Pung, Susan Rau, Diane Riley and Jeff Schafer.

Lois Schafer, Steve Schmidt, Diane Sheahan, Paul Simmer, Glen Smith, Carla Straus, Rhoda Straus, Robert Straus, Vicki Tilmann, Lynn Wilson.

Progressive: Stanley Onstott, Annette Schafer, Beverly Schafer, Doug Schafer and Dennis Straus.

9th Grade

B Average: Mark Andrew Schafer, Paul Gross, Greg Brickner, Chuck Funnell, Bob Schafer, Dan Schumacher, Bill Steffke, Kevin Schmacher, Margie Andres, Lonnie Block, Julie Engler, Sue Gross and Joan Gruss.

Margie Neubecker, Roberta Pung, Rhonda Recker, Debbie Riley, Charlotte Schafer, Rita Schmidt, Ruth Schmidt, Kay Smith, Kim Wilson, Jack Woodbury and Denise Yunker.

10th Grade

B Average: Rick Blind, Margie Block, Mary Jane Coughlin, Jerry Deming, Nancy Engler, Mary Faber, Mary Anna Fox, Ann Gross, Tom Gross, Harry Hauck, Dorothy Klumpp and Mary Jane Kolarik.

Nick Kruger, Rick Kruger, Jane Neubecker, Stan Pasch, Dennis Pohl, Chris Pung, Ken Pung, Sue Reihl, Dan Riley and Fred Schafer.

Keith Schafer, Karen Simmer, Vern Smith, Kenn Steffke, Debbie Yunker, Denise Zeien and Ruth Zuker.

11th Grade

B Average: Mary Beth Andres, Cris Block, Ken Block, Marilyn Breuer, Diane Clark, Rod Deming, Kathy Fox and Rose Neubecker.

Bob Pasch, Vera Reihl, Ron Schafer, Vickie Schumacher, Joanne Smith, Mark Stevens, Mike Straus and Bob Zuker.

Progressive: Theresa Smith and George Thielen.

12th Grade

B Average: Jean Barz, Mary Anna Beltinck, Brenda Brickner, Ed Zuker, Kay Simmer, Patricia Schafer, Carla Schafer, Betty Rhode, Mary Kay Rau and Joyce Rau.

Jack Rau, Pat Paisley, Gary Kruger, Jane Kremsrieter, Rita Fox, Nancy Clevenger, Mary Kay Cotter and Lynda Engler.

Progressive: Cristy Wilson, Jerry Straus, Bill Rau and Rick Klumpp.

**Local Items**

Beth Jackson spent Friday night with Blanche Cliff. Ruth Hutchins and Mrs. Stoy of Rosebush were Saturday callers.

Mrs. Emily Wood has received an early Christmas present--a parrot, green and yellow, from her daughter, Mabel Dent, and family.

BETTER THAN A LETTER

**IMPORTANT NOTICE**

**CHANGE OF BANKING HOURS**

The Weidman State Bank announces a change of Banking Hours as of Jan. 1, 1970:

Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.  
Friday, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and 5 to 8 p.m.

CLOSED Saturday and Sunday.

Our usual Banking Hours until this date:

JAN. 1, 1970

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of longer length. Card of Thanks  
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cial events, or just for fun.  
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NOTICE--Do your shopping now  
for unusual gifts and center-  
pieces at "Bea's Gifts" in Weid-  
man. I also have Gift Certifi-  
cates for that hard-to-please  
person on your list. Phone 644-  
2109.  
Dec. 4t2p

LOST--gray tiger cat, unusually  
marked, bobcat type, with bob  
tail. Child's pet, really missed.  
\$10 reward for return. Johnny  
Johnson, 2 1/2 miles north of  
Weidman on Woodruff Rd., in  
basement house.  
Dec. 5t2

CHRISTMAS SHOPPING--Gift  
subscriptions to the Weidman  
Messenger are the easy way,  
and the most welcomed gift.  
Just write or call us. Ph. 644-  
2000, Weidman Messenger.  
Dec. 4t1

SMORGASBORD--Saturday, Dec.  
13, at the Broomfield Grange  
Hall, located corner M-20 &  
S. Coldwater Road. Serving  
from 5 p.m. until? Chicken,  
ham, noodle casserole. Also  
bake sale.  
Dec. 11t1

WANTED--Woman for house-  
work on Fridays. Must have  
own transportation. Call 644-  
2155, Weidman.  
Dec. 11t1

CHRISTMAS WREATHS--For  
your departed loved one beau-  
tifies a winter cemetery lot all  
winter. Freshly made of White  
and Scotch Pine, large cones,  
big weatherproof red ribbon  
bow, wreaths are on easels.  
Only 3.50 if you place it. Also  
door wreaths and swags, 2.50  
up. THE FLOWERS SHOP, on  
West Airline Road, Weidman.  
"Where Beautiful Things Come  
From."  
Dec. 11t1

IT'S terrific the way we're sell-  
ing Blue Lustre for cleaning  
rugs and upholstery. Rent elec-  
tric shampooer \$1 at Fox Hard-  
ware, Weidman.  
Dec. 11t1

## Card of Thanks

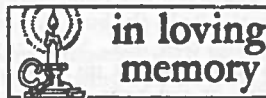
To my relatives, neighbors and  
friends, I wish to extend sincere  
thanks for the gifts, flowers, and  
many beautiful cards I received  
and for visits and for prayers  
offered during my hospitalization  
and convalescence.

Your kindnesses are deeply ap-  
preciated, and shall never be  
forgotten by  
Lavina Elias.

## NEWS NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. Alton Allen were  
overnight guests Monday of this  
week, at the home of their son,  
Rev. Carl Allen, and family,  
in Lansing.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Grantham  
and son of Bay City and Mrs. Sue  
Shipley, also of Bay City, spent  
the weekend with Mrs. Emily  
Wood.



In loving memory of our dear  
son, Chuckie Voss, who died  
Dec. 13, 1968.

We will never forget you, our  
first baby, because you are an  
angel that can fly up and down  
between heaven and earth.

You have made a bridge for us  
to walk upon that reaches all  
the way from earth to heaven.  
Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Voss  
Mr. and Mrs. Charles Voss

## the Churches

WEIDMAN UNITED METHODIST  
Rev. Lawrence Smith, Pastor  
Church School, 10 a.m.  
Worship, 11 a.m.  
M. Y. F., Sunday, 6 p.m.  
Wednesday evening the Meth-  
odist Men had Ladies' Night.  
The men took their wives out to  
supper at a church group.

Tuesday, Dec. 16, the Esther  
Circle will meet with Carol  
Johnson as hostess.  
Thursday evening, choir re-  
hearsal, 7.30.

Sunday evening, Dec. 21, pro-  
gram and candle-lighting ser-  
vice at the Weidman church.

Sunday evening between 35  
and 40 MYF and some adults  
gathered at the Weidman Meth-  
odist Church to prepare the  
church for Christmas services.  
Some decorated the tree, and  
placed the candle decorations,  
while others worked at the Na-  
tivity scene outdoors at the  
front of the church. After their  
work was done, they enjoyed a  
pot-luck supper. It was a very  
happy project.

All of the community is in-  
vited to our Advent and Christ-  
mas services. Don't miss Christ-  
mas at the house of worship.  
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WEIDMAN BAPTIST CHURCH  
Rev. Marvin Eldridge, Pastor  
Sunday School, 10 a.m.  
Church Service, 11 a.m.

The Youth Rally will be held  
at the Baptist Church in Mt.  
Pleasant Saturday evening at 7  
o'clock, Dec. 13.

With us will be Gerry Sheve-  
land from B. B. C., who is an  
exceptional ventriloquist and  
chalk artist.

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GILMORE CHURCH OF CHRIST  
George Getchel, Pastor  
Church Service, 9 a.m.  
Sunday School, 10 a.m.  
Church Service, 11 a.m.  
Saturday evening, Dec. 13,  
the Great Lakes Bible College  
Choir will appear in concert at  
our church. Be sure and hear  
this great choir.  
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BROOMFIELD ZION LUTHERAN  
Located six miles south of Weid-  
man 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.

## Obituary

ARCHIE A. POWELL  
Archie A. Powell died Monday,  
Dec. 1, in CMC Hospital in Mt.  
Pleasant. He was 62.

He was born May 14, 1907, in  
Isabella County.

He is survived by his wife,  
Alice; three sons, Archie, Jr.;  
of Lake; Sterling of DeWitt, and  
Daniel of Sidney; one daughter,  
Mrs. Beverly DeGeer, of Lake;  
one brother, Maynard, of Bridge-  
port; five sisters, Mrs. Tessie  
Sowle of New Boston, Mrs. Nina  
Beady of Brighton, Mrs. Laura  
Pifer of Lake, Mrs. Birdie Abbott  
of Weidman, and Norma Hunt of  
Sears.

Funeral services were held  
Thursday, Dec. 4, at 2 p.m.,  
in the Coker Funeral Home in  
Farwell. Burial was in the North  
Brinton Cemetery.

## CARD PARTY HAS SIX TABLES IN PLAY

The regular Rebekah sponsored  
card party last Tuesday after-  
noon had six tables of pepper in  
play, at the IOOF Hall in Weid-  
man.

Prizes were won by Rose Scha-  
fer, Clyde Beutler, Leah Schar-  
rer, Jessie Rosencrantz, with  
the door prize going to Herman  
Cook.

Lunch was served by the com-  
mittee. The next party will be  
Dec. 16.

## HOME PAPER FOR THE WEST HALF OF ISABELLA COUNTY



## NEW EFFECTIVE WAY TO STOP MICE

Place bait before mice are seen. Destroy  
first visitors before they start to multiply.  
Moisture proof packages stay fresh in-  
definitely. Appetizing attractants compel  
mice to open package.

NO WASTE - NO SPOILAGE - NO MESS

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WEIDMAN



## Walker Creek News

Esther Stanley, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Lou Gray and son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Duane Gray, and Yvonne, of Mt. Pleasant, attended a basketball game at Ferris State College Saturday evening, and then drove to Tri-Cities Airport, where they took a plane to Chicago, then flew by jet to California, where they will visit their son and brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Gray, and Mrs. Lou Gray's sister, for two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Gray and son, Christopher, of Big Rapids, and Mr. and Mrs. Miles Miller were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Gary Portenga and family.

Mrs. Lyle Denslow had an interview to work at CMU Wednesday, and had a physical examination Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Loomis and family visited Mr. and Mrs. Keith Loomis and daughters Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Dosenberry of Lansing were Sunday callers of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Dosenberry, and Paul and Keith.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Bobroski and children were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Emmons and Eddie John.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Denslow and Denise were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Cornell and family of Barryton.

Mr. and Mrs. Keith Thompson attended the Hunters' Ball at Remus Town Hall Saturday evening.

Rev. Marvin Eldridge and Mr. and Mrs. Howard Monroe visited Bert Estes at Mrs. White's rest home northwest of Barryton Tuesday.

Mrs. Edmund Owens of Lake was a Sunday dinner guest of Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Schrock and Philip. Mr. and Mrs. Archie Powell, Jr., and Homer Teeter were Sunday evening visitors.

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

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Zill and sons visited Mr. and Mrs. Roland Zill of St. Charles Saturday.

Eddie Schrock was a Sunday overnight guest of Larry Zill.

Mrs. Charles Voss and her sisters visited their father, John Sheldon, Tuesday evening, wishing him a Happy Birthday. Mrs. Voss reported they celebrated their 28th anniversary Monday. Happy Anniversary, Charles and Millie!

Glenn Gorby of Lake Thirteen visited Mr. and Mrs. Otis Conley Saturday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Barry Conley and son were Sunday dinner guests.

Otto Skalitzky has been entertaining the "ole flu bug" for two weeks, and now Mrs. Skalitzky reports it has caught up with her, too, as she been ill since Friday. Think some of the "ole bug's" relatives have moved into the Stanley home, as we've been fighting bad colds for a week or more.

Donald Stanley worked in the wood lot Thursday and Friday, getting a large pile of wood ready to buzz. Lyle and Dale Denslow picked our corn, with Howard Johnson helping Mr. Stanley put it in the crib.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Monroe visited us Thursday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Donald Stanley and family came out from Weidman Friday night, the boys staying over night. David Moore, Howard Johnson and Ed Marshall helped buzz wood Saturday, and the grandsons filled the woodshed. David took some of the bigger and longer lengths to his home at Lake Thirteen to burn in his fireplace. He and his wife, and Debbie, Pam and David Dean, Jr., called Saturday evening, then we visited at their home Monday.

We planned on calling on Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Gorby, but they had already gone to Mt. Pleasant, where Glenn was to be hospitalized for tests. Hope to hear a good report!

Looks like Ole Man Winter's here at last, and by the looks of things, we'll have a White Christmas, which is only 14 days away (from Thursday). Time for all children to be real good, and Moms to get the Christmas cookies and other goodies made!!

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## North Weidman

Elvah Gott, Reporter

Miss Barbara Kripa called on Mr. and Mrs. Don Alwood and children Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Bill Alwood and Tressa were dinner guests at the Alwood home Dec. 4, in honor of Joy's 20th birthday. Mrs. Hermione Smith was also a guest.

We heard from Mr. and Mrs. Roy S. Adams, and they are well and enjoying the warm weather, and are meeting lots of friends from Weidman and Farwell. Their address:

Mr. and Mrs. Roy S. Adams, 2820 5th Street E., Bradenton, Fla. 33505.

Mrs. Carol Johnson and children had dinner with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Blodgett, Wednesday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Bud Blodgett and son, Stanley, and her son, Mike, helped get wood for the Earl Blodgetts Saturday.

Callers of Mrs. Laura Latham Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Harley Latham of Mt. Pleasant, Mr. and Mrs. Chell Latham, and Mr. and Mrs. Bert Chaffee of Grand Rapids.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Allen and Mrs. John Gott were in Evart Tuesday after work, to see their doctor, and did some shopping. Mrs. Helen Alwood and Mrs. Gott shopped and had dinner in Mt. Pleasant Friday.

Lee Ann Abbott and Debbie Graham had dinner with Mr. and Mrs. John Gott Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Leon Simons and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Scott of Lansing, Mrs. Albert Gott and Flossie Allen of Winn called Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. John Gott called on Mr. and Mrs. Dick Gott and family Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Olger of Brinton have purchased the house Don Alwood built on a lot on his place. They expect to move into it this winter.

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## NEWS NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Embrey and Sean of Lansing were Friday supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Embrey and family.

Mr. and Mrs. James Kurtz and five daughters spent the weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Goodrich. The Kurtzes are from Dexter.

BETTER THAN A LETTER

## N. Broomfield

Gerald Hines was a patient the Edmore Hospital a few days.

Callers of Maycie Cook the past week were Mrs. Maude Robinson of Florida, Mrs. Pa Lueder, Mrs. Robert Hines, Mrs. Roy Adams, Mrs. E. R. Rhode, the immediate family and Roderick Nicholson.

Mrs. Jessie Rosencrantz spent Friday with Nettie Crowley.

Harold Rhode and his Mom called on Mr. and Mrs. Robe Fanning and admired their beautiful Christmas decorations.

Mrs. Lou Piatt of L'Anse, a former resident of South Broomfield, passed away, with bur in the Broomfield Cemetery.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Lueder spent Thursday evening with Mrs. E. R. Rhode and Harold

Mrs. Vida Lueder and Ralph spent Saturday evening with Mrs. Nettie Crowley and Jay Leinaar.

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Hattie Losey and Jessie Rosencrantz were Thursday afternoon callers of Connie Skinner.

Mona Pitts was home for the weekend from Great Lakes B College in Lansing.

**CHRISTMAS**

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## Beal City

Dora Smith, Reporter

### SENIOR CITIZENS CHRISTMAS PARTY WILL BE IN KC HALL

The annual Christmas party put on by the Beal City Senior Citizens and attended from all over Isabella County, will be at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Beal City on Thursday, Dec. 18. Potluck dinner will be served at 12.30, with an afternoon of pepper following.

This winter the Beal City card parties have been held in the basement of the church there, for better heating arrangements (the KC Hall is very large). However, the Christmas party will be held in the KC Hall.

At last week's party, 63 were in attendance, with 15 tables in play. Ten games of pepper were played.

Jack Cotter won the first prize for men, with Julius Schumacher taking second.

First ladies' prize was won by Mrs. Otterbine of Mt. Pleasant, second by Mrs. Leah Scharrer of Weidman.

The pepper prize was won by Ed Schumacher, with Helen Schumacher winning the door prize.

On the committee to serve refreshments were Viola Engler, Nora Gruss, E. O'Brien, Hulda Stevens, and Rose Hauck.

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Mrs. Tony Schafer and Louise Smith spent Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. William Tilmann.

Dan Bovin of Lansing and Susanne Simmer of Reed City spent Sunday afternoon with Louise Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Schafer and daughter spent Saturday evening with Tony Schafer.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Hauck, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Marchiando and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Theisen spent Sunday in Grand Rapids with Mr. and Mrs. Gary Oaks.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Pung of Niles spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Edward Schafer and family and Mr. and Mrs. Steve Pung and family.

James Smith of Lansing spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Walter Smith and family.

Wm. Faber is spending the winter in Florida. He went down the first part of November with Mr. and Mrs. Bert Coughlin, who have a trailer home. Mr. Faber's address: Hoff's Trailer Court and Apartments, 4075 Park Blvd., Apt. 9, Pinellas Park, Fla. 33565. 33565.

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## Two Rivers

Blanche Carr, Reporter

Verne Rogers and daughter, Cathy, visited the Fred Swans Sunday. Chris Johnson of Lansing was a weekend guest.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Swan of Midland spent Sunday with his mother, Mrs. Ella Swan. She

went back with them for a visit.

Chris Johnson of Lansing was a weekend guest of the Swans. Blanche Carr and Choice Foster visited Mrs. Etta Bellinger of Winn Wednesday afternoon. They also called on Mr. and Mrs. Blaine Stansell.

Blanche called on Rena Hochrein, Mrs. Ivah Rogers and Mrs. Ernest Kennedy Thursday. Steve, Rodney and Pamela and Elton Simmer were Tuesday supper guests of Blanche. It was Elton's eighth birthday.

Blanche called on Mrs. Garold Latham Tuesday, and on John Sheldon, to wish him a Happy 87th Birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Flaucher were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Russell Flaucher of Midland.

Mrs. Minnie Flaucher, Mrs. Millie Voss, Mrs. Rose Hogen, Mrs. Laura Latham and John Sheldon, Jr., spent Tuesday afternoon and were pot-luck supper guests of John Sheldon, in honor of his birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Hogen left last week, to spend the winter in Arizona.

Mr. and Mrs. John Doxson and Mrs. Leah Wright of Muskegon and Herman Martin, Jr., of Lakeview were Saturday guests of Mrs. Herman Martin and Raymond. Mrs. Wright is staying for a week's visit. Mr. and Mrs. Ed Martin and daughter, Sherri, of Lakeview, visited Sunday afternoon at the Martin home.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Courser returned Sunday from a week's honeymoon in Florida. They have a trailer home on West Pickard Road, near the Edwin Coursers'.

Mrs. Jack Leider spent Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. Nettie Baker. Mr. and Mrs. Leider went to Detroit for the weekend.

Bill Goodman of Westphalia was a Friday dinner guest of Mrs.

Herman Martin and Raymond.

Mr. and Mrs. Oral Bunting spent Thursday with Mr. and Mrs. Olen Bunting and boys of Bel-ding.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Harvey had their children home Sunday.

Mrs. Leona Courser, Mrs. Maude Johnston and Mrs. Ella Cox attended WSCS at the home of Mrs. Willis McLaughlin. Leona, Mary, and Mrs. Celia Allen and Ardis Thompson were in Grand Rapids shopping one day

last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Carr of Shepherd and Mr. and Mrs. Dalton Carr of Saginaw spent Sunday evening with their mother, Blanche Carr.

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### NEWS NOTES

Mrs. Dennis Embrey attended a baby shower Friday evening for Mrs. Carla Horning at the home of Mrs. Barb Clark in Mt. Pleasant. Mrs. Horning received many nice gifts.



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## Around Home

Jessie Rosencrantz, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Thompson and boys spent Saturday in Lansing. Wednesday evening they attended a band concert at Remus. Mrs. Thompson will be hostess to the Busy Bees Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Pomeroy, Mrs. Eva Belle Buzek and Mrs. Charlene Eldred were Tuesday callers at the Charlie Losey home. Mr. and Mrs. Theron Merrihew were Sunday evening guests.

Mrs. Carol Johnson and children were Wednesday supper guests of her parents, the Earl Blodgetts. Mrs. Louise Helmar and children were Thursday evening callers at the Johnson home. The Johnsons have been sick with colds, but are feeling better.

Mr. and Mrs. Eddie McDonald and family were Sunday afternoon guests of the Earl Oplinger family.

The Joe Martins attended a wedding reception at Shepherd Wednesday evening for Mr. and Mrs. Ernie Garrett (Myrtle Pyreth).

Mr. and Mrs. Terry Martin, Brenda Martin and Raymond Martin were Sunday evening guests of the Joe Martins.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Grantham and Susie and Howard of Bay City were Saturday evening callers of Mrs. Flora Wood.

Mrs. Wood was a Tuesday visitor of Mrs. Mabel Dent. Mrs. Dent went to see her doctor Wednesday. Walter Kirvan of Grand Rapids called Thursday. Mrs. Mabel Sides and Mrs. Clea Navarre were Friday afternoon guests. Mrs. Dent spent Saturday with her daughter and family, the Lynn Johnsons.

Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Johnson and family, Mr. and Mrs. Harold

Krueger and children and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Dent and Mike were Sunday evening callers at the Dent home.

Gerald Dent spent from Friday through Sunday at Gull Lake.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Swan were Sunday afternoon callers of her mother, Mrs. Eva Den-slow.

Mrs. Ethel McLean is spending a few weeks with her son, Cloyce Miller, at Big Rapids.

## Central Gilmore

Lola Fordyce, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. George Pitts attended the wedding of their great-nephew, James Murphy, in Saginaw, last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Vanness Cook were Sunday evening luncheon guests of Mr. and Mrs. William Phillips.

The Pioneer Farm Bureau held its annual Christmas party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Vanness Cook Monday evening. Ham and scalloped potatoes and pot-luck supper were served. A short program was enjoyed, and an exchange of gifts.

The Women's Fellowship's Christmas party was held at the Gilmore Church Tuesday evening. A large number of ladies attended. Secret Sisters for the past year were revealed, and new names drawn for new ones for next year. Light refreshments were served, and a gift exchange enjoyed.

Mr. and Mrs. Egbert Fordyce, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Phillips, Mr. and Mrs. George Pitts were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Pitts.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Atkinson of Clare and daughter, Evelyn, were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Vanness Cook.

Mrs. Carol Graham left Sunday for Washington, D.C., to attend the National Farm Bureau Convention. She went as a roll call manager for Isabella County.

The Merry Go Round Club is holding its annual Christmas party and all-day meeting at the home of Wanda Graham in Weidman Thursday of this week. On the program is an exchange of gifts, and this year's Secret Sisters to be revealed and names drawn for next year.

SMALL KIDS TO GET GERMAN MEASLES VACCINE

The health department of the county and local doctors are beginning an all-out attack on Rubella, known as German measles.

It is designed to prevent an expected 1970 epidemic, and is made possible by a recently developed and approved Rubella vaccine which will be given free to all area school children in kindergarten through third grade, during January and February, 1970. The program applies to both public and non-public school kids.

## West Gilmore

Lena Cole, Reporter

Sunday visitors of Mrs. Charlotte Hart were Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Curtis, Allen Shaner and Mr. and Mrs. Lane Chapman, while Roxann Hart spent Saturday night with her grandmother. Dorothy Lowery called Saturday on her aunt, Mrs. Hart.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Douglas went to Bay City Friday night, then on to Pontiac and spent the weekend with her sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Andy Medic.

Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Geasler of Big Rapids spent Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. Norman Geasler.

Martin Boger called on Mr. and Mrs. Albert Geasler Sunday. Mrs. Pearl Geasler called on her doctor Tuesday.

Lena Cole called on her doctor Saturday.

Our sympathy goes out to the Archie Powell family in the loss of their loved one.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Worth visited his folks, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Worth, Saturday night. They live at Chippewa Lake.

Mrs. Charlotte Hart called on Mrs. Ruby Douglas Monday. Beulah Wixson and sister, Miss Ruth Border, and Irene Jones called on the Paul Coles Tuesday.

Mrs. Helen Wardwell and Mrs. Wm. Sampson were dinner guests Monday of their sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Cole.

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## Obituary

JOSEPH F. WEBER

Joseph F. Weber of Remus died Monday night, Dec. 1, in Kelsey Memorial Hospital in Lakeview. He was 65.

Survivors include his wife, Golda; one son, William, of Sparta; two brothers, Stanley and John Weber, both of Grand Rapids; five sisters, Mrs. John (Stephanie) Covosia, Mrs. Harold (Sophia) Drier, Mrs. John (Helen) Walendzik, Mrs. Edward (Dorothy) Chase, and Mrs. Kenneth (Vickie) Albertson, all of Grand Rapids; and four grandsons and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held Thursday, Dec. 4, at 11 a. m. in St. Michael's Catholic Church in Remus, with the Rev. Father James Hoogterp officiating.

Burial was in the Broomfield Cemetery, with the Crittenden Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

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# Obituary

## MATTIE LONGTON

Mattie Longton of Brinton died Monday, Dec. 8, at the Isabella County Medical Facility at Mt. Pleasant, after a long stay.

She was 77. She was born Feb. 7, 1902, in Isabella County, and was a life-long resident of the Brinton area.

She was born at Russell's Mill at Russell Lake north of Brinton, the daughter of Frank Sedore and Lillian Sedore, nee Taylor. She was married to Levi Longton in 1910.

She leaves to mourn, her husband, Levi, and one daughter, Mrs. Frances Beck; and nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be held Thursday, Dec. 11, at 2 p. m., at the Daggett Funeral Home in Barryton, with Norman Brines officiating.

Burial will be in the North Brinton Cemetery.

Friends may call at Daggett's until time of service.

The family have the deepest sympathy of all.

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## S. W. Sherman

Goldie Dutcher. Reporter

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

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hardenburgh and children of Pierson were Saturday callers of her father, Emory Dell, and the Harry Hardenburghs.

Butch Hardenburgh started work for the Conservation Department near Middleville.

Bill Lumbert of Six Lakes spent Friday evening with Emory Dell.

Julia and Cristi Merrihew of Pontiac called on the George Merrihews Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Orval Rowden and daughter-in-law, Cynthia Rowden, of Pontiac, were Sunday afternoon callers of the Ervin Dutchers.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Dell of Littlefield Lake spent Wed-

nesday afternoon with Emory Dell and Opal Hardenburgh.

Monroe Beckwith of Otisville was a Monday afternoon and over night guest of the Ervin Dutchers.

Russell Merrihew and two daughters, Julia and Cristi, of Pontiac, visited his folks, Mr. and Mrs. Orrie Merrihew, and Orval, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Dutcher and girls of Lake Orion spent Sunday and over night with his folks, the Ervin Dutchers.

Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher, Jr., and children were also Sunday dinner guests of the Dutchers. Mrs. Dolores Gaudard and children were Saturday afternoon callers.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Beutler and family attended their Farm Bureau group's annual Christmas dinner at Wyman Sunday.

Judy Hardenburgh spent Sunday with her sister, Linda, and the Leward Smiths.

Mr. and Mrs. Orrie Merrihew and Orval had dinner out Sunday after church, in honor of the Merrihews' 52nd wedding anniversary.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Dutcher and Kim were Sunday morning callers of the Clayton Dutchers.

Mr. and Mrs. Theron Merrihew called on the Clarence Chaffees Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Johnston of Rosebush were Saturday evening callers of the Howard Beutlers.

Virgil Gatehouse and Marie Matheson of Remus were Saturday evening callers of the Harry Gatehouses.

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## Brinton News

Frances Beck, Reporter

The neighbors and friends extend their sympathy to the family of Archie Powell, who passed away very suddenly last Monday at CMC Hospital in Mt. Pleasant. Archie and Alice were getting settled in their new trailer home near Winn at the time of his death.

Connie Bowen and Mr. and Mrs. Darrel Haenke were Grand Rapids shoppers Saturday.

Eunice La Londe was ill several days last week with the flu. She is better at this time.

Nora Geasler was a Sunday dinner guest of Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Jones of Lake.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvie Moore spent a few days here and attended the funeral of Archie Powell. The Moores have moved back to their home in Lansing for the winter months.

Nora Geasler and Frances Beck

were in Mt. Pleasant Wednesday, where they called on Mattie Longton at the Medical Facility. She was reported as very ill at that time.

Mr. and Mrs. Harley Teeter of Clare spent Sunday with their mother, Edna Teeter, and Homer.

Carl and Ellen Geasler were Cadillac shoppers Saturday.

Joyce Geasler, Flossie Forbes, Nora Geasler and Frances Beck called at the Coker Funeral Home in Farwell Wednesday evening and paid their respects to Archie Powell.

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MR. AND MRS. GARY ALLAN BOYD

Anna Lunet Chaffee, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Chaffee, became the bride of Gary Allan Boyd, son of Mr. and Mrs. Loren Boyd of Leesburg, Fla., on Nov. 8, at 8 p.m. in the Remus Methodist Church, with Rev. Gordon Terpening officiating.

Two hundred guests attended the double-ring, candlelight ceremony.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore a floor-length gown with Chantilly lace bodice with a scalloped neckline and trimmed with tiny crystals and seed pearls. The gown featured long sleeves coming to a point over the wrists, and a bouffant skirt of organza and a tiered organza train with appliques of flowers, with sequins on the front. Her elbow-length illusion veil was secured to a spray of organdy and Chantilly lace petals, trimmed with sequins and seed pearls. Her flowers were three different-sized balls covered with cedar, white and orange mums and yellow sweetheart roses.

Mrs. Ariss, organist, played the wedding march and Donna Stewart sang The Lord's Prayer and One Hand, One Heart.

Patricia Marshall and Fern Baker were bridesmaids, with Nancy Chaffee as matron of honor.

Best man was Dean L. Chaffee, brother of the bride. Other attendants were Larry Baker, Allan Marshall, brothers-in-law of the bride. Darrin Marshall was ringbearer. Deanna Marshall was flower girl. Dale and Gary Gatehouse, cousins of the bride, were ushers.

The bridesmaids' and matron of honor's gowns were floor length, sleeveless, blue velvet

Princess styled dresses with large velvet bows at the waistlines, and matching blue headpieces. Each carried a ball covered with cedar, and white and orange mums.

The altar was decorated with double candelabra and baskets of yellow and orange mums. A candle decorated each pew, with a candle in a vase of cedar and mums in each window.

A reception was held immediately following the wedding, at the Chippewa Ranch.

The bride's mother chose a street-length dress of blue brocade for her daughter's wedding, with black and white accessories, and a corsage of sweetheart roses. The bridegroom's parents were unable to attend because of illness.

After a wedding trip to Florida, the happy young couple are at home in Curryville, Pa.

The bride is a graduate of the Remus High School and Wayne State University, and was employed by the Physical Therapy Association of Okemos, Mich., and was stationed at the Lakeview and Big Rapids hospitals as a registered P.T.

The bridegroom is a graduate of Ferris State College and is the owner of an orchard in Curryville, Pa.

Guests were present from Weidman and vicinity, Curryville, Pa., Smith Creek, Mt. Pleasant, Remus, Haslett, Lansing, Farwell, Blanchard, Lake, Oxford, White Pine, Taylor, Muskegon, Grand Rapids, Williamson, Ga., Mt. Morris, Shepherd, Lakeview, Traverse City, Detroit, Dryden, and Pontiac.

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Bud Fredrickson spent the weekend with his parents in Muskegon, and attended the funeral of his uncle.

## BOWLING

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Weidman State Bank	27	15
Central Concrete	26	16
Wentworth IGA	25.5	16.5
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### GUYS & DOLLS

Foster-Moore	34	18
Thon-Blake	33	19
Blehm-Moore	29	23
Ecker-Eldred	28	24
Bleise-Straus	27	25
Lyon-Wilson	25	27
Bierschbach-Zill	25	27
Lawens-Pantenburg	24	28
Green-McConnell	25	28
McArthur-Anderson	23	29
Nolte-Cook	21	31
Sharrar-Mattonen	19	33

High Team Series: McArthur & Anderson 2403. High Team Game: Foster & Moore 849.

High Series, men: Bob Lyon 608, Mitch McArthur 602, Ken Green 565.

High Game, men: Bob Lyon 234, Tom Bierschbach 225, Ken Green 223.

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