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## Editor's Column

By Connie

### WE JUST CAN'T SKIP THOSE OLD BIRTHDAYS

So Ye Ed had her 67th birthday Monday, and George and Connie were Sunday dinner guests of Barney and Frances Tranbarger, in honor of the doubtful event.

One is likely to wish to skip the birthdays as they get along as far as Ye Ed's, but it just ain't possible, seems. The birthdays come along, and relatives and friends do wonderful things for us and we can't seem to stop them.

Besides a beautiful nest of Pyrex bowls from the Tranbargers, Ye Ed received a birthday gift from South Korea; a lovely bouquet of pink glads and blue iris, from our sister, Lois Lawson, in Seoul with her son-in-law and daughter and their family, who are Army people. Lois sent her order to The Flower Shop in Weidman, natch, and Frances delivered it, across the lawn.

And we had cards, from friends. And we loved every one of them, in spite of the fact we'd tried to skip the whole thing.

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We've heard this week, especially during Monday's blowy snow flurries, of predictions last fall from "old-timers" that we would have a mild winter.

Hoo-boy.

Now there are predictions of an early spring. We keep our fingers crossed on this one.

We always hope for an early spring and wind up taking exactly what the weatherman dishes out.

Anyhow, there's only this month and then it's March, and then it's April.

It's been one of the roughest winters we've known, but it's nearing its end.

Old-timers have told us they never saw the side-roads in this county so bad as they have been this winter. They are usually rounded off to the middle, and now are ice covered, with snow on top of that.

Many say they never saw it so bad for driving on secondary roads.

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Of course the ground-hog saw his shadow; he always does. But we notice that leaf buds on our roses are beginning to swell the least bit; weeping willow trees' branches look yellower; and it's pussy-willow time.



REV. FATHER EDWARD F. NEUBECKER'S ANNIVERSARY--Hundreds of well-wishers gathered at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Beal City Sunday afternoon to congratulate Father Neubecker on his 45th anniversary as a Catholic priest. Open House was held from 2 to 4 p.m., and parishoners, friends and acquaintances came to greet him.

The reception was planned during last week by various groups within St. Joseph the Worker's Church in Beal City, notably the Knights of Columbus, ladies of St. Ann's Altar Society, Holy Name Men, and the Senior Citizens of Beal City, and others.

Father Neubecker was presented with a 12-foot aluminum boat with top carriers, and a minnow bucket filled with money.

The presentation was made by children of the Beal City Parochial School. The students made a presentation speech which was appreciated by all.

Father Neubecker has a cottage at Leland, 26 miles north of Traverse City, and we can wish him good fishing on the rare occasions he gets to enjoy it.

Bill Wentworth was program chairman, with help from many others.

Ladies of the Altar Society were charming and efficient hostesses, serving coffee, punch and cookies from a table decorated with a red and yellow centerpiece of flowers, flanked with yellow candlesticks. A large gold-colored cake was also a feature of the celebration.

Father Neubecker attended schools in Beal City and Weidman, as a child. On graduating from the 8th grade he entered St. Joseph's Seminary in Grand Rapids, in 1912. In 1918 he went to St. Mary's Seminary in Baltimore and in 1920 entered Sulpician

Seminary in Washington, D. C.

Feb. 3, 1924, he was ordained by Bishop Kelly and said his first mass at the Beal City church.

He was sent to Cadillac then as assistant, and remained there four and a half years. Aug. 1, 1918, he was sent to Beaver Island as pastor, where he stayed until October in 1931, when he was sent to Charlevoix as pastor. In 1940 he went to Lake Leelanau and remained there as pastor till May of 1946, when he came to Beal City, where he is still at his post, beloved and respected by all who know him.

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### AREA SCHOOLS OPEN MONDAY AFTER CLOSING TWO DAYS LAST WEEK

Area schools were in session Monday morning in spite of extremely difficult side roads and ice and snow. Schools were closed Thursday and Friday last week on account of the ice conditions, and snow.

This has been a difficult winter for the lumbering school buses, but Monday they were reported as making it, with a few reporting in late.

No serious difficulty was reported as to school bus routes. Attendance was reported as normal.

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While Weidman has its quota of snowmobiles, owners here are generally well-behaved.

## Men in Uniform

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Smith received a phone call from Sp/4 Gary Thomas, from Detroit, the first of this week. Gary was called home from Germany by the illness of his youngest sister.

He will be in Weidman to spend a few days this week with the Smiths and renew old acquaintances and see old friends. It has been 14 months since he was home.

He has a 45-day leave, after which he will return to Germany to finish out his three-year enlistment.

He finally got in contact with the Ross Momany's in Germany, and Gary says he likes it very well there.

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Mrs. Walter Ewing reports that Walter's base in Vietnam had been bombed twice in the last two weeks.

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Seaman John Fox, USN, has received orders to report to the USS Canberra (CA 70), at San Diego, Calif.

He will be home on a 30-day leave March 28, after which he will report to his ship.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Fox.

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A. I. C. Brian W. Dutcher, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher, Jr., came home Sunday afternoon from the Philippines.

He is on a 30-day leave from the Air Force.

His parents and brother and sister met him at Tri-Cities Airport. He has been away a year and a half.

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## In the Editor's Mail

Dear Connie:

As I have changed my address again, I thought I'd better have you put it in the paper for those people who would like to write to me.

After seven weeks in the hospital and seven more in the extended care facility, they found something to help me, and I feel quite well now, and am staying with a lady who lives in Vestaburg. I expect to go back home in the spring.

The picture of the old hotel in Two Rivers was good, and the account of Mr. Caldwell's love affair very amusing.

Blanche Carr  
% Faye Caris  
Vestaburg, Mich. 48891

**Around Horr**

Jessie Rosencrantz, Reporter

Mrs. Deborah Benn returned home Saturday after a stay in CMC Hospital at Mt. Pleasant.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Graber were Tuesday dinner guests of his aunt, Mrs. Nettie Lawrence.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Klumpp and Mr. and Mrs. John Straganac were Saturday evening callers at the Gerald Losey home. Sunday dinner guests were Mr. and Mrs. John Straganac, Sharlene Gross and Mrs. Janice Gross and Amy. Amy spent Saturday over night with Beth Losey, and Beth spent Sunday night with her.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Losey and family took Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Losey to the Harold Losey home Friday. The Harold and Charlie Loseys left around 2 o'clock that afternoon for Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher were Thursday afternoon callers at the Charlie Losey home.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Martin and Jeff attended a wedding reception for Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Garner at Millbrook Saturday evening.

Joe Martin went to Mt. Pleasant Sunday evening to see his brother, Woodrow, who is ill at the home of his sister.

Alva Morgan spent Wednesday over night with Bill Thompson. Willard Workman spent Sunday afternoon with Bill. Bob Thompson spent Sunday afternoon with Tim Workman near Remus.

Sorry, our telephone is on the blink. Hope to be able to get all of you next week.

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**West Gilmore**

Lena Cole, Reporter

Miss Nancy Jones has a car and will drive to college at CMU.

The little son of Mr. and Mrs. James Winegardner was taken to Ann Arbor Thursday for checkup on his eyes and low sugar. He was admitted Tuesday for treatment.

Mrs. Helen Wardwell returned home Thursday after several days spent at the home of her daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Allbee.

Mr. and Mrs. George Cornell visited his sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Geasler, Sunday.

Miss Joan Geasler and Miss Joie Wilson called on Joan's sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Martin Boger, and Joan's brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Geasler, Sunday.

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**NEWS NOTES**

Saturday supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Sprague were Mr. and Mrs. Robert Keiser and children of Belding. Sunday callers were Mr. and Mrs. Harlan Sprague and son, Steve, of Mt. Pleasant, Mrs. Peggy Straus and children and Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Sprague.

**S.W. Sherman**

Goldie Dutcher, Reporter

Miss Linda Wernette of Lansing spent Monday night and Tuesday with the Ervin Dutcher, Jr., family.

Linda and Judy Hardenburg spent Saturday evening with Sandra Dutcher.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hardenburg and Linda, Judy and Butch spent Sunday with the Jack Cook family of Winn. Ernie Dell of Middleville was a Sunday caller.

Emory Dell visited Ward Dell Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher, Sr., visited the Ervin Dutcher, Jr., family Sunday evening, to see their grandson, Brian, who had just returned home.

The Carl Beutlers had a telephone call from the Clyde Beutlers Sunday evening, saying they were at Lake City, Florida, and planned on leaving there Monday morning for New Orleans. They expected to be home by this weekend.

Douglas Dutcher spent Friday with Steve Dutcher. He stayed with his grandparents, the Theodore Cases, Thursday, as there was no school either day.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Gatehouse and family visited her brother and family, the Wendell Pungs, of Lansing, Sunday. They called on the Dean Careys also.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Sanderson and Miss Mabel Kennicott of St. Charles were Sunday dinner and afternoon guests of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Beutler and children.

Mrs. Lucile Merrihew and son, Orval, were in Rosebush Saturday to see their doctor.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Chaffee spent Saturday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Gatehouse.

Mr. and Mrs. Duane Thren and children spent Sunday afternoon with his mother, Mrs. Marie Thren.

Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher, Sr., were Saturday supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher, Jr., and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hines and Roderick Nicholson spent Thursday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher, Sr.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim McDaniel and family called on Mrs. Catherine McDaniel and girls Saturday evening.

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**Local Items**

Mr. and Mrs. R.D. Sprague were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Miller.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Smith and Jim spent the weekend in Flint, visiting their son, Roger, and family. They report there was no snow in Flint. On their way they called on "Doc" and Lillian Bruder, former tavern owners here, who now have a party store in Chesaning. Lillian had fallen down the basement stairs and broken both legs.

**Local Items**

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Dent of Farwell were last Tuesday luncheon guests of Mr. and Mrs. R.D. Sprague.

Leon Haight returned to his work at GMC Hospital Tuesday, after being off four weeks with flu and pneumonia.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernie Aubin of Standish called on her sister, Mrs. Leah Scharrer, Sunday and Monday and stayed over night.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Cummins and Mrs. Helen Smith made a business trip to Big Rapids, Greenville and Carson City last week Monday.

Mrs. Jean Powell and son, Pat, of rural Mt. Pleasant spent Monday of this week with her mother,



Mrs. Kit Johnson.


Mr. and Mrs. Bill Cummins left Sunday for a week to 10 days in Florida. They will visit Ruskin, where many Weidman people winter. Bill's folks, Mr. and Mrs. Alva Cummins, are there, and they will visit them.

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

A gathering of the Clark family was held Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles J. Clark in Shepherd. About 30 family members enjoyed the day.

Mrs. Nina Forbes was a Sunday dinner guest of Mrs. Lena St. John of Brinton. The ladies visited Mrs. Jennie Krauser in Big Rapids.

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**Card of Thanks**

I wish to thank everyone for the cards and letters that were sent to me on my birthday while I was in the hospital; and the ones who called. They were deeply appreciated. Deborah Benn

**Card of Thanks**

We wish to extend our heartfelt thanks and appreciation to our relatives, friends and neighbors for their many kindnesses and acts of sympathy during the illness and death of our dear father, Peter Esch. We are especially grateful to Dr. Davis and the staff at CMC Hospital, the staff at Mt. Pleasant Medical Facility, the staff at Pleasant Manor, for their care; To Lois and Jack Crittenden

and the Rev. Fathers Neubecker and Kolenda for the services; To the ladies who served the pot-luck dinner in the church basement, and all who brought food, and sent floral tributes, and the many cards of sympathy; and all who were so kind and thoughtful at the time of our bereavement. The Family of Peter Esch

**Card of Thanks**

I want to express my appreciation for the cards and calls and good wishes from my relatives and friends during my long stay in the Clare hospital. Your thoughtfulness is greatly appreciated. Della Frantz

**Card of Thanks**

I would like to thank everyone for their thoughtfulness during my stay in the hospital and after I came home. Thanks so much for all the lovely gifts of flowers, fruit, candy, etc.; for the cards, letters, and prayers. Also for all the food sent to the house. A special Thanks to Terry Bowerman, who helped me at the time of the accident. Lucinda Sprague.

**Obituary**

MRS. BETHEL McCALL Mrs. Bethel McCall of Remus died Wednesday, Jan. 29, at Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio. She was 65. She was born in Barryton Nov. 23, 1903. She is survived by two sons, Jay and Robert, both of Remus; two daughters, Mrs. Lillian Simon of Edmore and Mrs. Lela Simon of Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio; two brothers, Ray Phoenix of Lake and Cecil Phoenix of Ionia; one sister, Mrs. Clara Main of Greenville; and 14 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. Funeral services were held Saturday, Feb. 1, at 1 p.m. in the

Crittenden Funeral Home in Remus, with burial in the Flake Cemetery.

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**Obituary**

ROBERT SMITH Robert F. Smith of Mt. Pleasant died Tuesday, Jan. 28, in CMC Hospital. He was 68. He was born Aug. 29, 1900, in Westphalia. Survivors include three brothers, Edward, Leo and Walter, all of Mt. Pleasant; two sisters, Mrs. Harold (Luella) Smith and Mrs. Herbert (Elizabeth) Yunker, both of Mt. Pleasant. Funeral services were held Friday, Jan. 31, at 10.30 a.m. in St. Joseph the Worker's Church in Beal City, with Rev. Father Edward Neubecker officiating. Burial was in St. Joseph's Cemetery at Beal City.

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**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. Wednesday, Feb. 12, Adult Fellowship, at the church. Friday, Feb. 7, Quarterly meeting at Edmore, 10 a.m. to 2.30 p.m. Feb. 8, Youth Rally at First Baptist Church in Mt. Pleasant, 7.30 p.m. For youth and adults. \*\*\*\*\* 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. \*\*\*\*\* 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. \*\*\*\*\* WEIDMAN UNITED METHODIST Dean Denslow, Speaker Church School, 10 a.m. Church Worship, 11 a.m. MYF, 6 p.m. WSCS, first Thursday, 2.30 p.m. Esther Circle, third Tuesday, 8 p.m. McArthur Circle, third Thursday, 2.30 p.m. Methodist Men, fourth Wednesday, 6.30 p.m. Feb. 9, Recognition Sunday. Fellowship dinner following the church service. Membership classes starting

Friday evening, Feb. 7, and continuing each Friday in February. Church Nursery Sunday, Feb. 9. Ruth Turnbull. \*\*\*\*\* 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. Thursday, 7, North Central School of the Bible. Frank Thomas, formerly of Littlefield Lake, is in the hospital in Florida. He would like to hear from some of you whom he knows. His address: Bay Pines Hospital, Bldg. 1, 3rd floor, Bay Pines, Florida. He has been in the hospital since October. Feb. 11, Ladies' Fellowship will meet at the home of Mrs. Arlo Barber. Plan now to attend and bring a 19x19 inch quilt block and your banks.

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**Local Items**

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Aubin of Standish spent the weekend with her sister, Mrs. Leah Scharrer. Mr. and Mrs. Roy Wood and Mrs. Irene Rybkowski and grandson, all of Bay City, brought Sunday dinner to the home of Mrs. Emily Wood, a belated Christmas gathering. Mrs. Geraline Johnson and son, Steven, were Friday dinner guests of Mrs. Wood. Mr. and Mrs. Richard Donely and family were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Houghton, honoring the birthdays of Janet Houghton and Nora Dent. The Doug Middlesworths of Holt were also guests.



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Helen Alwood, Reporter  
**ENTERTAIN THEIR CLUB**  
Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Pohl entertained the Euchre Club Sunday evening.

Prizes were won by Eileen Rau and Rosemary Funnel, and Richard Pohl and Aloy Andres. Monica Andres won the loners hand.

The hostess served a delicious lunch, and everyone had a good time.

The Richard Pohls will entertain in March.

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This reporter received a nice letter from Mrs. Ralph Wagner (Jewel), a former resident of this area, from Puerto Rico. Jewel says:

Dear Helen and Family:

Just received your second paper and letter. Thanks so much. I really want to keep in touch with friends I have made in Michigan, Kentucky and elsewhere.

As I sit writing you, I am looking out at the beautiful ocean. It is really a lovely blue today. It has been very warm here, but we are in the 80s today and 60s at night, really ideal. I have the doors and windows open.

We had a lovely Christmas. We gave a party for the company employees, about 20 people, some Puerto Rican. Christmas Day we went to the beach for swimming.

This is ideal for living, if only they would keep the island clean! You can't imagine some of the conditions that exist here.

I went to Kentucky in September, sold the house and furniture, drove to Jacksonville, Fla., put my car in port for shipment (it cost a small fortune to get it here), but it is well worth it. I have learned to drive as they do here, that is, to the point of cutting in and out of traffic. Such traffic. You have never seen anything like it.

Beth is in the Inter American University. She has made the first semester okay. You see, she went to summer school and graduated, so she is a Freshman in college. She loves it there.

I'm waiting now for her to come home. She stays in the dorm. She is going with a boy whose mother is American, his father a Puerto Rican. He looks American, speaks both Spanish and English fluently. We are picking up phrases as we go along.

Beth goes to college in San German and Connie (Clevenger) in San Juan, quite a distance apart, but from where we live it is only about 60 miles to San Juan. We go down often shopping, and I will try to get in touch with her.

Beth brings girls home for the weekends. They are from the States and get lonely.

Ralph is fine. I think he is re-

juvenated since he came down here. He is in charge of company operations of the rigs, like he was there, so he doesn't have to work so hard. He loves it here and we plan to stay a few years.

However, you probably will see us in November, as we plan to come up for deer season. He has missed two years and it is about all he can think of missing. His sister is still in Ithaca. Jim and Susan plan to come too. We will have to buy winter clothes when we get there. We certainly don't need them here. Jim and Susan don't have any children, much to my sorrow. I have spoiled their dog.

Do you ever hear about Frances Going? I have lost touch with her. Where is Lillian Johnston now? How is Claribel Beutler, and Lucille Smith? And give my love to Kit. I see her name in the paper.

Tell Rusty to come see us. He would have a ball, lots of American girls here would really fight over him. I can't say much for the Puerto Rican girls, besides, parents are very strict with them and they must have a chaperone, like one of the family, when they court.

This is the first year I haven't seen snow, but I don't miss it, except at Christmas. You should have seen the island at Christmas, it was beautiful. They really celebrate the 6th of January, Three Kings Day, as their Christmas, in fact they start Dec. 16 through Jan. 6. A long celebration.

Well, my family is home and supper over. We're going down to the shopping center, which is much like the ones in the States. We find most anything we need--except Ralph's Mail Pouch!

Take care. Love, Jewel.  
91 Atlantic Ave.  
Arecibo, Puerto Rico 00612.

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**Coldwater**

Esther Skinner, Reporter  
Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Olger and Joyce and Dale called on Mr. and Mrs. Jim Latham Wednesday evening. Joyce and Geraldine called on Geraldine's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Latham, Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Letson and family of Mt. Pleasant were Saturday evening callers of the Olgers.

Saturday evening Mr. and Mrs. Harold Skinner attended a Sears Store party held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Therman Looman of Mt. Pleasant. Fifteen employees and their spouses attended. All in all a swell party was held, with refreshments served by the employees.

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Mr. and Mrs. Steve Starks of Grand Rapids spent the weekend here with her mother, Mrs. Helen Adams, and family.

**Brinton News**

Cora Estes, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Latham of Remus visited the Garold Lathams last Thursday afternoon. They also called at several other places, including the Skinners in Weidman. Jesse Lee was with them.

They reported that Jesse Lee, Mrs. Latham's father, who had been a bed patient suffering from flu, was out and around again.

Last week Wednesday Mr. Lee observed his 94th birthday, at his daughter's home in Remus. Among those calling to congratulate him were Albert Lee and daughter, Martha, of Sears, Arthur Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Ward of Blanchard, Eleanor Doerr and daughter, Karen, and others. Gary Leiter, Mr. Lee's great-grandson, took pictures of the occasion.

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The Kenneth Baker family returned home Saturday, after a very nice time with their friends, Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Ockert, of Zephyrhills, Florida.

The Jim Leiter family of Flint were weekend visitors at the Fey Forbes home.

Mike Forbes, who attends college in Mt. Pleasant, has been home several days. He went back

to register at the college Wednesday.

Aaron Blackmer and Mrs. Fey Forbes have been on jury duty since the first of January.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Calhoun and son of Coleman were Sunday callers at the Bert Estes home.

Mrs. Lillian Maddox was home over the weekend, returning to Saginaw Sunday evening.

We are grateful to the County Road Commission for keeping the Coleman and Brinton Roads open for travel through a winter of snow and ice.

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**Local Items**

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Touchinski were Friday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Sprague and family. Mr. and Mrs. Junior Bakos and family of Ashley were weekend guests. Mr. and Mrs. Leon Snyder of Ithaca were Saturday dinner guests. Mr. and Mrs. James Sutton and son of Ashley were also Saturday guests. Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Spice and family of Carson City were Sunday supper guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Ferguson of Remus were Sunday afternoon callers of Mrs. Helen Smith. In the evening Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Cummins and son, Tim, of Lansing, were visitors.



**THE SWEETEST  
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OF ALL!**

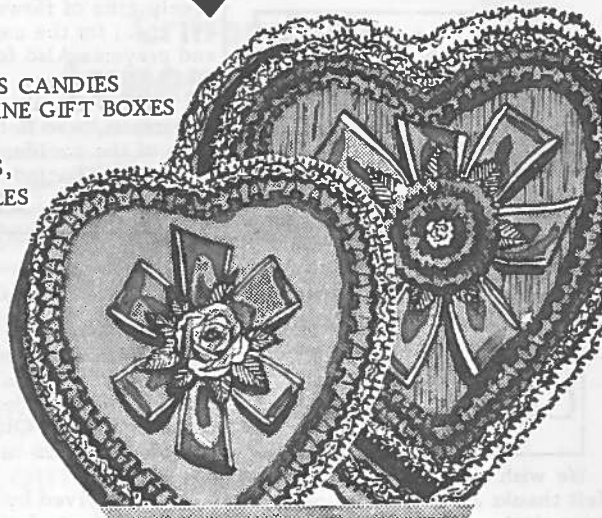
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# Beal City

Dora Smith, Reporter

## BEAL CITY PTA SPONSORS A CARD PARTY

The Beal City PTA will sponsor a card party Sunday afternoon, Feb. 9, in the multi-purpose room of the Beal City Public School.

Prizes and refreshments will be offered. The public is invited. Admission is 50 cents for adults, 35 cents for students.

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Mrs. Alvin Schmidt and Mrs. Frank Schmidt attended a bridal shower honoring Miss Martha Ann Schmidt at the home of Kathleen Canel in Saginaw, last week Sunday afternoon. Many relatives were present, and Miss Schmidt received lovely gifts.

She will be married to Raymond Andrus Feb. 15, at St. Joseph's Church in Beal City.

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## ENTERTAIN THEIR CLUB

Mr. and Mrs. Max Straus entertained their club Saturday evening.

Joyce Yuncker won first prize, Arlene Cotter won low, and Vickie Faber the most peppers.

Vernon Halfman won first prize for the men, Richard Yuncker low.

Everyone had an enjoyable evening.

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Mr. and Mrs. Glen Mathews are the proud parents of a new baby boy, born Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Theisen and Mr. and Mrs. Howard Theisen left Saturday morning for a two weeks' vacation in Florida.

Howard McCrimmon spent a few days last week in Marion. His son, George, is leaving for the service this Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Snider and son, Joe, visited Mr. and Mrs. Joe Keiffer Wednesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Keiffer made a trip to Fowler to visit Mr. and Mrs. Louis Weber, Mrs. Mary Goodman in Pewamo and Rose Keiffer in Carson City.

Dora Smith took care of the Jack Thering boys Sunday while the parents were away.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Smith of Mt. Pleasant spent Saturday afternoon with his mother, Mrs. Louise Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. John Pung and daughter, Rita, of Detroit spent the weekend with relatives around Beal City.

Ruth and Alfred Klumpp spent Friday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Tony Schafer.

Bob Smith's funeral was Friday at 10.30 a.m. in Beal City. The body was taken back to Mt. Pleasant to await burial. Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Walker of St. Johns were here for the funeral. They called on the Walter Smiths, the Billy Smiths, and Louise Smith.

Mrs. Walter Rau and Debbie and Dolores, and Anna Smith called on Mrs. Jack Theisen

Monday evening.

Miss Ginny Rau and girl friend of Bay City spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Walter Rau and family.

Mrs. Margaret Judge of Winn called on Mrs. Clara Fox Saturday.

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WEST

## Nottawa

Helen Alwood, Reporter

### NEW BABY BAPTIZED

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Faber, Jr., had their new baby, Robert Thomas, baptized a week ago Sunday at the Beal City church.

Godparents were Tom McConnell and Miss Betty De Rose.

Dinner guests were Bill Faber, Sr., Mr. and Mrs. Bernard McConnell of Rosebush, Mr. and Mrs. Tom McConnell and Miss Betty De Rose of Lansing.

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Jack Schafer entered CMC Hospital Sunday for minor surgery Monday. He was expected home in a few days. Good luck, Jack.

Harley Sampsell has been in CMC Hospital for three weeks, suffering from a heart condition. His son, Kenneth Sampsell, of near Detroit, spent Sunday with him. Harley's wife, Viola, goes to see him every day, or when the weather permits.

Mrs. Hermione Smith stayed a few nights at the Don Alwood home, and is now staying in her own home at night, spending her time through the day with Helen. She had Sunday dinner with her son, Don, and family. Mrs. Irma Kische was also a dinner guest.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Schumacher, Mrs. Kate Schumacher and Harold Schumacher enjoyed cards at the John Schumacher home last Wednesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Max Straus entertained their club recently. Mr. and Mrs. Isadore Schafer plan to have their club Thursday evening of this week, if weather and roads are passable.

The Harris Diehl family of Remus called at the Richard Smith home at Au Gres recently. They found them feeling fine, and busy with school activities. Dick and Rosie have been adding to their house, and Dick helps the carpenter whenever he has time.

Mr. and Mrs. Gary Wernette and family got together with his parents, the Roy Wernettes of Remus, recently, to help little Mike Wernette celebrate his first birthday. The Roy Wernettes are spending 10 days in Florida at this writing.

Roselene Schafer fell a few weeks ago, and hasn't been feeling very good lately.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Pohl and four children called at the Harris Diehl home near Remus Sunday afternoon. The children enjoyed rides on Harris' snowmobile. Richard is feeling better, and was glad to get out a little and go visiting. He goes to his

doctor every week for treatment and checkup.

Danny Halfman spent Friday and Saturday with Donny Alwood. Jim Alwood stayed over night with Bill and Bob Fox. They enjoyed riding the snowmobile. Rusty Alwood of Kalamazoo spent Saturday evening and Sunday home from work. He was among several who rode their snowmobiles to Lake George Sunday to the races. It was a nice day for them.

Wm. Faber enjoyed dinner at the Charles Schmidt home last Saturday. Monday evening he had supper at the Art Faber home.

Bill received a phone call from Louise (Miller) Whitney of near Oil City, telling of the death of her brother, Frank Miller, about 68 years old. The funeral was Tuesday in Eaton Rapids. Bill tells us the Miller family lived where Margaret Johnston now lives. At that time Bill and Christine lived eight years when they were first married, at the farm where Stan Block lives now. Some of the older people will remember the Miller family.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Alwood and daughter spent Friday evening and Saturday at the Don Alwood home. Jim Alwood stayed over

night Saturday with Bill and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Isadore Schafer and Wm. Faber were among the many who attended Open House for Rev. Father Neubecker Sunday in Beal City. Congratulations, Father Neubecker.

Mrs. Ida Tilmann is still in CMC Hospital after a heart attack several weeks ago. We hope and pray Ida is feeling better at this writing.

Sunday dinner guests at the Bill Faber, Jr., home were Mr. and Mrs. Ted Dagwell of Midland and Mr. and Mrs. Bernard McConnell. Tuesday evening callers, to see the new baby, were Mr. and Mrs. Richard Stevens. Mr. and Mrs. Steve Simmer were Wednesday evening callers.

This reporter was glad to hear from Edna Schultz from Atlanta, Ga., who is staying the winter with her daughter, Gladys. Edna was inquiring about Helen's mother, who was ill recently with pneumonia. Edna was happy to have received a phone call from Claribel Beutler and Clyde as they went through Georgia on their way to Florida. Jim Beutler was driving them through.

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**Central Gilmore**

Mary Helen Pitts, Reporter

**GILMORE TOPS CLUB TO HAVE GUESTS**

The Gilmore TOPS Club met at the home of Mrs. Warren Phipps last Wednesday afternoon. There was a loss of 10 pounds for the week.

The next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Stuart Graham.

If anyone is interested in joining TOPS you may get information by calling Mrs. Vaness Cook, 588-2237, at Farwell, or Mrs. Elwyn Pitts, 644-2208, at Weidman.

Mrs. Wanda Graham and Mrs. Jeanne Smith will be guests this next week.

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Mr. and Mrs. Walter Faber attended the Open House Sunday at Beal City in honor of Father Neubecker's 45th anniversary as a priest.

Mr. and Mrs. Levi Brown and son were Sunday dinner guests of her sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. E.O. Hyler, of St. Johns. In the afternoon they visited Mrs. Brown's mother, Mrs. Susan Wiggins, at the Clinton Memorial Hospital in St. Johns.

George Pitts entered CMC Hospital last Tuesday and returned home Saturday. He had an infected foot.

Terrance O'Rourke returned from the hospital this week.

Greg and Sharon Pitts spent the last week visiting in Ohio and Tennessee. They returned last Monday.

Several of the young folks of Gilmore attended the play, "Fiddler on the Roof," in Ann Arbor last Tuesday. The school sent two bus loads of children.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Pitts were in Midland Friday, visiting Mr. and Mrs. LaVerne Perry. Sunday they were guests of their daughter, Elaine Esterline, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Vaness Cook helped Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Phillips celebrate their anniversary by going out to dinner Wednesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Fox and family of Shepherd were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Pitts and family.

Mrs. Lola Graham of the Ardis Nursing Home has been sick

with the flu.

It is nice to see Mrs. Elsie Wood able to be out and come to church and go visiting again. She has been confined to her home since Dec. 9.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Badgley left for Florida last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Warriner have moved into our neighborhood. They have bought the former Eldon Jackson and Orin Hartnell home. The Warriners have two little children, and Mr. Warriner is a teacher at the University in Mt. Pleasant.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Fuller and family of Houghton Lake were Sunday guests of his mother, Mrs. Agnes Fuller.

Gerald Wood has been sick the last couple of weeks.

Word comes from the folks in Florida that it is just like the good old summertime down there.

Central Michigan Men's Fellowship met at Alma for the monthly dinner meeting last Monday night.

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**West Gilmore**

Lena Cole, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Julius Allbee were supper guests Wednesday of their nephew and niece, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Allbee. Mrs. Luella Allbee and mother, Mrs. Helen Wardwell, were dinner guests Wednesday of the Julius Allbees.

Raymond Geasler and Mr. and Mrs. John Geasler and family of Haslett spent the weekend at their cabin.

The Tony Masewkuks of Hamtramck spent the weekend at their cabin.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Turnbull and sons, Bobby and Timmy, spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Martin Boger.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Swan of Mt. Pleasant visited the Paul Coles Sunday.

Pat Ewing called her parents Sunday, and told them they sold over \$1,000 worth of their Saint Bernard puppies this weekend. Her parents, the Coles, were happy for them.

Mrs. Helen Wardwell and Mrs. Wm. Sampson and Pattie were supper guests Friday of their sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Cole, and Velma.

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**N. Broomfield**

Maycie Cook, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Hines and family and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Hogg and family were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hines, in honor of Ivan's birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Lueder were Thursday evening visitors of Mrs. E. R. Rhode and Harold. Mrs. Richard Rhode was a Sunday afternoon caller.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Hines and Roderick Nicholson enjoyed Wednesday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher, Sr.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Cook spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Gail Strong of Elwell.

Aliance Cook, Mrs. Glee Krueger and Kathy and Terry spent the weekend and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Walter Nelson at their home at Clifford Lake, near Stanton.

Gerald Maeder, Bob Cook, Jack Cook, Emil Lueder, Gale Krueger and Maynard Strong attended a church officers' seminar at the Emmanuel Lutheran Church in Lansing Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Cook and Mr. and Mrs. Orves Cook, who spent a week in Florida, called on Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Cook of Huntington, Ind., and returned home Sunday.

Mrs. Margaret Freeman of Adrian spent the weekend with her daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Cook, and family. Mr. and Mrs. Richard La Poe and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Cook, all of Mt. Pleasant, were Sunday evening guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Singleton Moses and family of Two Rivers have recently moved to Flushing and bought a home, to be near his work.

The children of Mr. and Mrs. Don Krueger spent Saturday with their grandmother, Mrs. Glee Krueger, while their parents attended the funeral of their uncle, Robert Smith, of Mt. Pleasant, at the Beal City Church.

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**NEWS NOTES**

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Guy of Coldwater were Sunday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Donley, for bridge.

Mrs. Ruth Hutchins and son, Lyall, of Rosebush were Sunday afternoon callers of Blanche Cliff.



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Kathy Ann Block, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Block of Johnson Rd., Weidman, and Kenoah W. Henning, son of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Henning of Troy, were married Saturday, Jan. 18, in St. Joseph's Catholic Church, in Beal City with the Rev. Fr. Edward Neubecker.

Mrs. Donna Flachs, June Flachs and Mrs. Marge Conners provided the wedding music.

The bride wore an A-line gown of white peau de soie covered with a rosebud lace cage. The neckline was accented with pearls and sequins. A train with tiers of satin and lace was attached to the gown and a large white rose accented with a pearl and lace floral design held her silk illusion veil.

She carried a cascade of red roses entwined with ivy and accented with white ribbon.

Mrs. Connie Schafer was her sister's matron of honor.

Bridesmaids were Mrs. Linda Block, sister-in-law of the bride,

and Mrs. Janice Thompson; Janice Henning, sister of the bridegroom, was junior bridesmaid and Suzie Block, cousin of the bride, was flower girl.

They wore identically styled red velvet empire-style gowns trimmed in white lace. They carried white muffs trimmed with red velvet bows.

Lewis Leverenz was best man and groomsmen were Steve Henning, bother of the bridegroom; Steve Gray and Blaine Block, brother of the bride.

Mike Block, brother of the bride and Dave Black served as ushers.

The bride's mother wore a white wool three-piece suit with brown accessories. The bridegroom's mother wore a cream colored ensemble with gold accessories.

A dinner and reception were held at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Beal City.

Out-of-town guests were from Detroit, Pontiac, Royal Oak,

Marquette, Central Lake, Troy and Lansing.

The bride is a 1967 graduate of Beal City High School and the Mt. Pleasant Beauty School and is presently employed in Nadine's Beauty Salon.

The bridegroom is a graduate of Troy High School, attended Central Michigan University and will be serving with the armed services in February.

The couple took a wedding trip through mid-eastern Canada and Niagara Falls.

HOME PAPER FOR THE WEST HALF OF ISABELLA COUNTY

NEWS NOTES

Mrs. Glenn Frantz returned home last Thursday, after three weeks in Clare General Hospital for treatment of pneumonia. She was feeling better the first of the week.

Mrs. Mavis Querbach of Allegan was a weekend guest of her mother, Mrs. Vera Hagerman. Mr. and Mrs. Everett Hagerman and family of Mt. Pleasant were Saturday evening visitors.

Mrs. Charles Cutler was a Monday visitor of Mrs. Bernard Riley.

Glenn Darrell Frantz entered the Clare hospital Sunday for tests and possible treatment.

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Beal City Tavern	7	5
Central Concrete	5	7
Fortino Beverage	5	7
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Marchiando & Rau	4	8
Wentworth IGA	4	8
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High Team Series: Household Appliance 3045. High Team Game: Household Appliance 1094. High Indv. Series: Bob Murphy 597, Garry Moore 590, Bob Anderson 564. High Indv. Game: Bob Ellis 228, Garry Moore 222, Jerry Parnell 217.

GUYS & DOLLS  
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Nolte & Moore	16	4
Lyon & Wilson	13	7
Thon & Blake	13	7
Lawens & Pantenburg	12	8
Bleise & Straus	11	9
Sharrar & Mattonen	11	9
Blehm & Moore	10	10
Knapp & Bouck	10	10
Foster & Moore	8	12
Green & McConnell	6	14
McArthur & Anderson	6	14
Bierschbach & Zill	4	16

High Team Series: Foster & Moore 2520. High Team Game: Lyon & Wilson 868.

High Series, Men: Dick Wilson 610, Pete Knapp 589, Bob Bleise 569. High Game, Men:

Dick Wilson 216, 213, Pete Knapp 215, Bob Bleise 204, 202, Dale Lawens 204.

High Series, Women: Jean McArthur 508, Joy McConnell 506, Shirley Foster 487, Jan Moore 487. High Game, Women: Jan Moore 199, Jean McArthur 190, Leota Taylor (sub) 190.

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## Coldwater Lake

Marjorie Schafer, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Schafer celebrated their 32th anniversary a week ago Saturday, with dinner at Falsetta's in Mt. Pleasant.

Mrs. Robert Klumpp enjoyed coffee with Mrs. Edward Schafer Monday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Klumpp and Mr. and Mrs. Edward Schafer attended family meetings at the Alfred Klumpp home Monday and Tuesday evenings.

Mrs. Gale Zingery of Mt. Pleasant, Russ Klumpp of Remus and Mrs. Edward Schafer accompanied their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Otto Klumpp, of Shepherd, to the Ardis Nursing Home at Farwell Wednesday.

Joe Schafer entertained 10 members of the Junior Class of Beal City Thursday evening at a special meeting. Joe spent the night with Rick Klumpp in Beal City.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Schafer and baby called at the Edward Schafer home Friday evening.

Bill Schafer and Ted Klumpp of Beal City enjoyed a camp-out Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Ohanesian

have moved from the Vogt cottage into the Wischmeyer trailer home.

Mark and Bob Schafer attended a class party at the Charles Ludwig home Saturday evening. Mark spent the night with Bob.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Klumpp and Mr. and Mrs. Edward Schafer attended a birthday party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Russell Klumpp in Remus Saturday evening. It was Mrs. Robert Klumpp's birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Wischmeyer and Mr. and Mrs. Edward Schafer had dinner at Riverdale Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Hale of Lansing called on Mr. and Mrs. Edward Schafer Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Deming sold their home and store at Deerfield Center and have moved to Coldwater Lake area, where they have bought the Marvin Parks home on the Coldwater River.

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## NorthWeidman

Elvah Gott, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Micky Abbott took their four-year-old son, Robert, to Ann Arbor Friday, Jan. 31, to the hospital to have an operation on his eye injured at play. Doctors discovered a broken bone which was pinching on a nerve. Small Robert underwent surgery Monday morning this week.

Mrs. Muriel Miller and family

called on Mr. and Mrs. Wiley Knollenberg of Mt. Pleasant Sunday afternoon. Greg Knollenberg fell and broke his arm.

Norman Abbott is gaining since his surgery last week.

Emory Dell came home with Ward Dell for dinner Sunday and both spent the afternoon at the John Gott home, visiting.

Mrs. Albert Gott and Mrs. Flosie Allen of Winn called and took John Gott to his doctor in Clare for medication last Wednesday.

Albert Gott called on his parents Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Bud Blodgett of near Winn called and had dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Earl Blodgett Saturday. In the afternoon they all called on Mrs. Earl Strong of Remus, who is in the Lakeview hospital.

Visitors at the Garold Latham home last week were Mr. and Mrs. Carl Latham, Tuesday afternoon, and Mr. and Mrs. Tom Latham and Jesse Lee of Remus, Wednesday afternoon. Rev. Rawleigh of Clare called one day last week.

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### NEWS NOTES

Clare and Richard Oberlin and Allen Kuipfer and son of Lansing were Saturday luncheon guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Sprague.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Spence and children of Pontiac spent the weekend at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gene McArthur, and family.

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