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Editor's Column

By Connie

OPAL DENSLOW PUTS OUT FIRE, GETS BURNED SHOES

Opal Denslow stopped at the Messenger office last Friday afternoon to show us her burned shoes and nylons, after she had stamped out a grass fire across from the Johnson horse farm north of Weidman.

Opal was on her way home from her work at Clare and saw the fire, which was spreading very rapidly.

Instead of driving on, she stopped her car, got out, and single-handedly stomped out the blazing grass.

The fire was fed and scattered by a strong wind, and Opal is to be greatly commended for doing the right thing immediately, even though she suffered loss of a good pair of shoes and hose.

FOR MOTHER'S DAY....

Mabel Chaffee sends us the following account of her childhood days, and she says all the events mentioned are true.

We give you Mabel's poem:

MY MOTHER

By Mabel Chaffee of Grand Rapids

Once I jumped off a steep bank
And nearly bit my tongue in two.
I thought, Mama will surely spank;
Lovingly, she nursed me through.

Our home became a flaming blaze
One December day when I was five.
Mama's eyes had a starry glaze
As she ushered me out, safe and alive.

The day I burned my foot badly
The angry flames terrified me.
Mama rushed to help, but sadly,
The burns were third degree.

On my High School graduation day,
(A happy young girl of seventeen)
Whenever I glanced Mama's way
Tears of happiness could be seen.
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Floyd Dutcher spent Tuesday over night with relatives in Breckenridge. Then he went on Wednesday to Otisville to spend a week.



MR. AND MRS. HENRY SIMMER--Will observe their Golden Wedding Sunday, May 11, in the afternoon from 2 to 5 o'clock at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Beal City.

Their children are sponsoring the event. All relatives, neighbors and friends are cordially invited.

The Simmers were married May 6, 1919, in St. Philomena's Church in Beal City, with Rev. Father Zugelder officiating.

They have lived in the Beal City area all their lives, and since retirement have bought a home at 3134 West Beal City Road, in that village.

Mr. Simmer worked at the Olds plant in Lansing 25 years, retiring in 1960.

The couple have five children, Mrs. Ed Cook (Ruth) of Canadian Lakes, Mrs. James Hedley (Doris) of Edmore, Mrs. Robert Kranz (Rose) of Detroit, and Paul Simmer of Nottawa and Ray of Bay City. They have 21 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Their many friends will be on hand to congratulate them on their 50th anniversary.

OPEN HOUSE FOR FRANK BENN'S BIRTHDAY

There will be an Open House for friends and relatives of Frank Benn on the occasion of his 80th birthday, Sunday, May 11, from 2 to 4 p.m., at the Masonic Hall in Weidman.

His children and grandchildren are sponsoring the event. Gifts are optional.

Frank and Deborah were married 54 years ago this June, and went to live on the place they now occupy and have occupied since then.

At that time there was a log house on the place, and through the years the Benns have built from that to a large and lovely country home.

Fifty-four years ago there was no road past the place Frank had bought for his bride, and he helped build a section of what is now the Airline Road.

Frank was first in this area to plant evergreen trees in large areas on his land. He has very

Men in Uniform

SGT. PHILIP ANDRES JUMPS FROM HELICOPTERS IN THE VIETNAM WAR

Sgt. Philip J. Andres, son of Mr. and Mrs. Aloysius Andres, is in the northern part of South Vietnam, near the Demarcation Line.

His first month there was put in on more training which included jumping from helicopters. He said they step out backward at 100 feet, but it seems much higher.

Here's Philip's address:
Sgt. Philip J. Andres, US 54-982376, 101st ABN. Div., Trp. A, 2nd Sqn., 17th Cav., APO San Francisco 96383.

Robyn McDaniel went with Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Wood and Elaine to attend the graduation of Delwin Wood from basic training at Great Lakes Naval Center.

They left last Thursday night and returned home Sunday night.
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ART KENT BITTEN BY RECLUSE SPIDER

Arthur Kent of Grand Rapids suffered a bite by the deadly brown recluse spider two weeks ago, but was coming out much better than the five-year-old boy who was in the news the past two weeks.

Art has been receiving serum injections almost daily, and was reported as doing well the first of this week.
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THE CLIFFORD WILEYS VISIT WEIDMAN FRIENDS

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Wiley of Seattle, Wash., spent from Monday till Friday morning with their aunt, Blanche Cliff. Clifford is a home-builder in Seattle. All the Wiley family have very many friends here, and Clifford and Blanche made many calls on local old-time schoolmates and residents.

The Wiley family lived in Weidman in the old days, as the 19-teens.

extensive tree plantings now, in all stages of growth, from young pines to timber-size boles.

Frank farmed 320 acres of land alone, until his grandson, Benn Johnson, settled here.

Frank was Supervisor of Sherman Township from 1923 to 1935.

Their very many friends will congratulate him on his 80th birthday.

S.W. Sherman

Goldie Dutcher, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Dutcher and Douglas and Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Dutcher spent Sunday with the latter's brothers and families. They had dinner with the Harold Secords of Holt, and called on the Charles Secords of Diamondale.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Krueger and children were Thursday supper guests of the Garry Dutchers.

Beth Losey spent Wednesday over night with Becky Dutcher.

Joyce McDaniel called on Bonnie Dutcher Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Alan Marshall and family of Belleville and Anna Chaffee visited the Clarence Chaffee family over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Van Nocker and family of Lansing spent Saturday over night and Sunday with her sister, Mrs. Katie McDaniel, and family. Mr. and Mrs. Jim McDaniel and family were weekend callers.

Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Dutcher and family of Clarkston and Wayne West of Northville spent Wednesday over night with the George Merrihews, and attended the funeral of Herbert Lawrence Thursday afternoon.

Mrs. Hattie Losey and Mrs. Minnie Strauch called on Edna Merrihew Thursday morning. Mrs. Nettie Lawrence, Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Kirvan and Elsie Bolinger were Friday callers.

Rick Merrihew and two friends of Taylor spent the weekend with Rick's grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. George Merrihew. They came on their motorcycles. Walter Davis called on Rick Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Case were Saturday evening callers of the Richard Dutchers.

Mrs. James Linton of Shepherd and Mrs. Marion Beutler called on Mrs. Lucile Merrihew Thursday afternoon.

Harry and Dale Gatehouse were both winners of groceries at Cale's Trading Post's Grand Opening Sunday evening. Mrs. Ervin Dutcher, Jr., won a baby blanket, and Mrs. Edna Merrihew won a chrome hot-dish holder.

Debbie Ash spent Friday over night and Saturday with Sandra Dutcher.

Douglas and David Dutcher spent Saturday morning and had a cookout lunch with Steve Dutcher.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hines called on Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher Sr., Sunday evening. Floyd Dutcher was an afternoon caller.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Burggraff, Jr., of Shepherd spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Bill Maeder and Mark.

Miss Linda Wernette of Lansing and her sister, Cindy, of Greenville were Sunday afternoon visitors of the Ervin Dutchers, Jr.,

and family.

Mrs. Virginia Harshman and daughter, Tracy, of Lansing were weekend callers of the Ervin Dutchers, Jr.

Mrs. Ronna Dutcher and Steve and Sandra called on the George Merrihews Sunday evening.

Mrs. Ila May Linton of Shepherd was a Thursday luncheon guest of Marion Beutler.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Beutler and children spent Saturday over night with her folks, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Sanderson, of St. Charles. Marion and Laurel attended the Mother-Daughter Banquet with her mother at the Methodist Church.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Wolfe of Alma were Sunday afternoon callers of their niece and family, the Carl Beutlers.

Billy Beutler hasn't felt too good the past week.

Sandra Dutcher was home Monday, due to a cold.

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Jessie Rosencrantz, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Graber were Tuesday callers of Mrs. Nettie Lawrence. Garth Lawrence was a Thursday caller.

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Wood and Mike were Sunday afternoon callers of his mother, Mrs. Flora Wood.

Mary Sisco spent the weekend with Patti Losey.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Oplinger and boys attended the funeral of her uncle Friday. Mr. and Mrs. John Carr were Friday evening callers of the Oplingers.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Losey, Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Losey and family and Mary Sisco were Sunday dinner guests of the Charlie Loseys. Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Brant were afternoon callers.

Jack Thompson and Mrs. Betty Thompson called on Mrs. Myrtie Pridgeon at the hospital Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Mack Denslow entertained their children at their home Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Bert Chaffee of Grand Rapids were afternoon callers.

Mrs. Carol Johnson attended a birthday party for Mrs. Bud Blodgett Wednesday at the home of Mrs. Earl Blodgett. Mrs. Johnson called on her mother Sunday also.

Hope to be able to get everyone next week!

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West Gilmore

Lena Cole, Reporter

Monday callers of the Paul Coles were Mrs. Ed Bearse and Mrs. Beulah Wixson, Tom Cole and Dick Mahon. Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Swan were supper guests. Mr. and Mrs. Dan Kripa called.

Jerry Ward of Belding spent Sunday with his folks, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Douglas.

Martin Boger visited his cousins, Mrs. Charlotte Hart and Mrs. Violet Lowery, Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Allbee visited their uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Cole, Wednesday evening. An overnight guest of the Allbees Tuesday was her mother, Mrs. Helen Wardwell, of Mt. Pleasant.

Delbert Allbee has been repairing a chicken coop for his aunt, Mrs. Beulah Wixson.

Charles Dumont is spending some time at his cabin. He called on his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Cole, and Velma, Thursday. Other visitors were Mrs. Ruby Douglas, Mrs. Helen Wardwell, Mrs. Wm. Sampson and Pattie, Mrs. Coranna Shaner and children, and her granddaughter, April Wilkie, of Weidman.

Wm. Wixson visited his nephew and niece, Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Wardwell, Wednesday evening.

Mrs. Velma Amy had a party

last week.

Mrs. Paul Cole called on Mrs. Charlotte Hart and Mrs. Violet Lowery Thursday. Little Kathy Shaner spent the day with her Grandma Hart and Aunt Violet.

Mrs. Hart and Mrs. Lowery called on Mrs. Wm. Rawleigh and baby. Mrs. Hugh Douglas called on Mrs. Hart Friday.

Thursday evening visitors of Lena Cole and Velma were her sisters, Mrs. Helen Wardwell and Mrs. Wm. Sampson and Pattie, and her nieces, Mrs. Coranna Shaner and children, and her granddaughter, little April Wilkie, of Weidman.

Tony Manushak of Hamtramck spent the weekend at his farm. Glad to report the accident at the corner of Woodruff and Coleman Roads was not serious.

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Card of Thanks

The family of Herbert Lawrence wish to express their appreciation to all their family, friends and neighbors, for their many acts of kindness and sympathy during their days of sorrow;

To those sending cards, flowers and food to the house;

Thanks to the Rebekahs for serving the lunch, and the Odd-fellows for their Memorial Service at the graveside;

Also Rev. Marvin Eldridge for his comforting words.

A special thanks to all. His sisters and families:

Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Kirvan
 Mr. and Mrs. George Bolinger
 And Family
 Mr. and Mrs. George Merrihew
 And Family

Card of Thanks

I wish to thank the relatives, friends and neighbors, for the lovely flowers and cards I received from them.

I would especially like to thank the priest and the nurses and doctors for their help while I was at Central Michigan Community Hospital.

It was deeply appreciated. Mrs. Peter Schafer

Card of Thanks

I wish to thank the many relatives and friends for their prayers, cards and gifts, while I was in the hospital.

I also wish to express my gratitude to the ministers and all others who visited me while I was

there. Everything was greatly appreciated.

Margaret Kirvan

N. Broomfield

Maycie Cook, Reporter

Mrs. E. Rhode and Harold were Wednesday evening visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Emil Lueder.

Mrs. Lorraine Schultz of Lansing spent Friday and Saturday with her mother, Mrs. Emil Rhode, and Harold. Mr. and Mrs. Joe Gostola and Dixie of Mt. Pleasant and Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Loucks were Sunday callers.

Robert Fanning was in Kansas on a business trip last week.

Mrs. Glee Krueger and Kathy, Herman and Aliance Cook were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Leon Schafer of Weidman.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Cook took her sister, who has been here from California, to visit relatives in Northville and Detroit for the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. James Borders and family of Marion and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Cook were Sunday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Orves Cook.

Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Perkins of Lapeer spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Rudolf Lueder.

Mr. and Mrs. Gail Strong of Elwell were Tuesday callers of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Lueder.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Benetzte and Mr. and Mrs. Burrell Campbell were evening callers during the

week.

Mrs. Emil Rhode and Harold were Tuesday supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Lueder, honoring the birthday of Terry Lueder.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Hines were Sunday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher, Sr.

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Local Items

Clifford Wiley of Washington State, and his aunt, Blanche Cliff, called on Mrs. Ina Gillett last Wednesday. Maycie Cook was a Thursday morning caller. Mr. and Mrs. John Ervin of Six Lakes spent Sunday with her mother.

Frances Tranbarger has a night-blooming cereus about to bloom, in her greenhouse. This is the first time we've known these pernickety tropical plants to bloom indoors. Frances' original cutting of the species came from Will Nicholson, years ago.

Earnest Gross returned Sunday after spending a week in CMC Hospital. He was feeling better, after some heart trouble.

Mrs. Emily Wood went to Bay City last Wednesday to attend the wedding of her granddaughter.

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Dora Smith, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Keiffer visited Mrs. Joe Bierschtetel at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Gene Russell in Matherton. She was not very good.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Keiffer visited her son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Schafer, and family, of Pewamo, Saturday.

Mrs. Walter Rau and Mrs. Dick Funnell of Mt. Pleasant drove to Bay City Monday afternoon to see Ginger Rau and do some shopping.

Mrs. Jeanette Miller and four children called on Louise Smith Thursday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Howard Blasen and two children of St. Johns were Sunday afternoon callers.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Smith and family of Big Rapids spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Bill Smith.

Dan Bovin and Susann Simmer spent Sunday evening with her grandmother, Mrs. Louise Smith.

Miss Loretta Fox of Rochester spent Sunday with her mother, Mrs. Clara Fox.

Mrs. Wanda Schafer took Mrs. Tony Schafer and Louise Smith to see Mrs. Peter Schafer Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. Schafer is home from the hospital now and is getting better.

Mrs. John Stik and sister, Mrs. Gene McGinnis, of Cadillac called on their relatives around Beal City Tuesday afternoon.

Florence Andrews called on Louise Smith Wednesday afternoon, and took Dora along to Mt. Pleasant with her.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Schafer and Sheila and Kimberly of Winn spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Tony Schafer.

Mrs. Arvid Dahlquist and Mrs. Neil Jakula and Mrs. Norris Trude of Cadillac called on relatives around Beal City Sunday.

Mrs. Rose Grininger called on Mrs. Tony Schafer and Louise Smith Friday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. John W. Schafer of Saginaw spent the weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Schafer.

Jack Farnum died Saturday and was buried Tuesday from Sacred Heart Church in Mt. Pleasant.

Quite a number from here attended a party at St. Leo's Church basement Sunday.

Mrs. Charles Winland and Mrs. Walter Schafer of Mt. Pleasant spent Tuesday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Tony Schafer.

Mrs. Ida Tilmann spent the weekend with the Ed Schafer family.

Sunday was First Communion Day at St. Joseph's Church.

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North Weidman

Elvah Gott, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Alan Blodgett of Flint visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Blodgett, Sunday. Alan took them for a ride, and called on Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Helmer of Barryton and Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Lutz of Remus.

Tom Latham called on Gerald Latham Saturday afternoon. Sunday visitors were Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hard of Freeland, Mr. and Mrs. Harley Latham of Mt. Pleasant, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Latham of Blanchard, Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Olger, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Voss and Stacey and Mr. and Mrs. John Latham and family.

Don Alwood underwent spinal surgery at St. Mary's Hospital in Saginaw Monday morning of this week. He was reported as coming along well, and was in the recovery room at noon. Helen went down with Mr. and Mrs. Billy Alwood Monday evening to visit him, and he seemed real good. they reported.

Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Spice of Carson City called on Mr. and Mrs. Don Abbott Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Birdie Abbott called on Mrs. Laura Pifer Monday morning.

James Kennedy and Mrs. Lois Knollenberg and children of Mt. Pleasant visited Mrs. Muriel Miller and family Sunday afternoon.

Cathy Alwood came down with measles at school Friday. She is staying days with Mr. and Mrs.

John Gott, while her father is in the hospital and her mother works at the Home and Training School at Mt. Pleasant.

Mr. and Mrs. John Gott of Ellwell visited Mr. and Mrs. John A. Gott Sunday. Albert Gott called in the evening, and took his parents and Debbie Graham to Littlefield Lake and visited Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Allen and children at their cottage.

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Coldwater Lake

Marjorie Schafer, Reporter

Mrs. Estella Dietrick of Bellville spent Monday visiting friends here. She called at the Edward Schafer home in the afternoon, had supper with the Eddie Gross family, and spent the night with the Virgil Smith family.

Mr. and Mrs. Milo Eldred of Blanchard visited Mr. and Mrs. Edward Schafer Tuesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Schafer received word last week that they have another new granddaughter, Penelope Marie, born April 22 to Mr. and Mrs. John Schafer of Bay City. She weighed six pounds, four ounces.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Schafer and Bill and Bob went to Bay City Sunday to see the new baby. Mrs. John Schafer was rushed to the hospital Sunday shortly after they arrived. She will have to

remain there a few days, so Johnny and Ricky came back with their grandparents to spend the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Graham of Mt. Pleasant called on Mr. and Mrs. Edward Schafer Thursday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Wischmeyer had supper Thursday evening with their son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Wade Wischmeyer, of Alma.

The annual clean-up around Coldwater Lake was held Saturday.

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WE MADE NO LOCAL CALLS FOR NEWS THIS WEEK

We made no calls for local news items this week, as the paper was pretty well spoken for, space-wise, by the time Monday morning rolled around.

Thanks to those who called us.

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Rev. and Mrs. Lawrence Smith visited relatives and friends in the Union and Galien, Mich., areas last Wednesday and Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernie Epps were at their home on Lake of the Hills the weekend, and entertained guests.

Mrs. Kit Johnson attended First Communion service of her grandson, Pat Powell, at St. Joseph's Church in Beal City Sunday.

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Walker Creek News

Esther Stanley, Reporter

We were sorry to hear that Hazen Thompson was taken by ambulance to the Clare hospital last Sunday night. He is improving in health, but will stay at the hospital for another week.

Also sorry to hear of the accident of Mr. and Mrs. Craig Thompson and Wm. Miller of Lansing. It happened on the River Road Saturday night. Mrs. Thompson is on crutches and was to get results of x-rays Monday. They are staying with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Keith Thompson.

Sunday callers at the Thompson home were Mr. and Mrs. Erceel Williams of Barryton, Mrs. Marguerite Coleman of Remus, and Mrs. Courser of Mt. Pleasant. Also other neighbors and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Austin Dent visited Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Dillenbeck Thursday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Louisell, Jr., and Patrick and Jill of Grand Haven spent the weekend with her parents. Mr. and Mrs. Dillenbeck were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Austin Dent Sunday evening.

Mrs. Donald Zill and Mrs. Isabel Hamel were Friday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Langworthy of Big Rapids, and called on Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Bazaire at Chippewa Lake.

Mrs. Ruby Williams and Mrs. Byers of Clare were recent visitors of Mrs. Lena St. John. Mrs. Queen Taylor of Mt. Pleasant was a Sunday supper guest.

Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Rodman of Crooked Lake visited Mr. and Mrs. Otis Conley Tuesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Schrock and his mother, Mrs. Nellie Schrock, of Riverdale, attended the wedding of his uncle at Otsego Saturday, and were overnight guests of cousins at Kalamazoo.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Skalitzky were Sunday supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ward Loomis of Sherman City. It was Mr. Loomis' birthday. Happy Birthday, Ward!

Mrs. Charles Voss attended a bridal shower for Miss Jan Murray, fiancée of Dale Olger, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dale Letson in Mt. Pleasant Friday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Voss called on Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Latham and Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Olger Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Martinez of Mt. Pleasant visited Mr. and Mrs. Warren Leiter and family Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Micky Dargitz and family of rural Remus were Saturday supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Denslow. Mrs. Denslow called on Mr. and Mrs. Ward Loomis Sunday evening.

Mrs. Clarence Ley of Conklin was a Saturday and Sunday guest of Mr. and Mrs. Lou Gray. Mrs. Gray and Mrs. Ley visited Mrs. Ward Loomis Saturday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Roy Phoenix of south Weidman, Mr. and Mrs. Duane Gray and daughter of Mt. Pleasant and Richard Ley of Conklin were Sunday visitors.

Mr. and Mrs. Gary Portenga and family visited Mr. and Mrs. Larry De Voss at Conklin Saturday. Mrs. Clarence Ley and Mrs. Duane Gray were Sunday callers at the Portenga home.

Arthur Loomis visited Mr. and Mrs. Keith Loomis and daughters Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Ansler of Battle Creek were weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Emmons and Eddie John.

Mr. and Mrs. Ambrose Kerns of Leroy were Sunday afternoon visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Dosenberry and Paul and Keith. Mrs. Dosenberry attended the funeral of Earl Benjamin at the Daggett Funeral Home Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Ronald De Vries and Rhonda of Big Rapids were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Denslow and Denise. In the evening they all went to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Willis Finney, where they enjoyed ice cream and cake, honoring Mrs. DeVries' (Paulette's) birthday. Happy Birthday, Paulette!

Visitors of Mrs. Ethel McLean during the weekend were Craig McClain and Sharon Scott, Miles Miller, Alma Dosenberry, and Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Miller.

Recent visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Russell Stanley were Mr. and Mrs. Edward Marshall of Coleman, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Irwin, Jr., of Stevenson Lake, and David Moore of Lake Thirteen. Mr. and Mrs. Stanley went with David to St. Johns Satur-

day, where they attended the wedding and reception for their granddaughter and sister, Mary Louise Moore, and Gale Rowell. The beautiful wedding was at St. Joseph's Catholic Church, with the reception at the VFW Hall, with many attending.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley and son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Andy Stanley, of Barryton, attended the 60th anniversary party for his sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. B.F. Hampton, at the Congregational Church in Harrison Sunday afternoon.

They left us at Lake Thirteen, where we visited at the lovely home of Mr. and Mrs. David Moore, which they recently purchased of Mr. and Mrs. Joe McLaughlin; visiting Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Gorby, Mrs. Harold Spence and daughters, Mrs. Jack Kessler and daughters, and Mrs. Moore and Mrs. Spence bringing us home.

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HOME PAPER FOR THE WEST
HALF OF ISABELLA COUNTY

Local Items

Mr. and Mrs. Colin Campbell of Barryton were calling on friends in the Brinton and Sherman City area Monday afternoon, and stopped for a visit at the Messenger office.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Powell and family and Mr. and Mrs. David Brown of rural Mt. Pleasant were Sunday dinner guests of Mrs. Kit Johnson.

Ray Dutcher, son of Floyd Dutcher, is staying permanently at Ruskin, Fla., his father told the Messenger this week. Ray took and passed a postal-employees' exam and is waiting for callup to go to work. He was working in a restaurant in Ruskin meantime, Floyd said.

The George Skimmers bought a Toro riding mower and garden cultivator from Fox Hardware a week ago. So far, George does the work, but Ye Ed hopes to go jouncing around our rough lawns on the mower, one of these days.

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Mary Helen Pitts, Reporter Mr. and Mrs. George Pitts were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Egbert Fordyce. In the afternoon they attended Open House for Agnes Fuller and Harriet Baker.

Mr. and Mrs. Vaness Cook were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Renner and family.

Alvin Wood is a patient at the Clare hospital. Elise is staying with her son, Gerald, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. James Pitts and Mr. and Mrs. Egbert Fordyce attended the Open House for Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Rutter at Harrison Sunday.

A great number of friends of Agnes and Harriet called to wish them well in their new home at Houghton Lake. Open House was held at the church from 2 to 5 in their honor. We are going to miss you, gals. Come back and see us.

It was a happy occasion for the James Pittses Sunday. All the family were home for Jim's 82nd birthday and their 49th wedding anniversary. Guests were Elaine Esterline, Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Esterline and Brenda of Marysville, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Esterline of Flint, Mr. and Mrs. Elwyn Pitts and family, Greg Pitts of Farmington, Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Pitts and family, Miss Elaine Shobrook of the Soo, and Elwood Brown. The Pittses have one great-granddaughter.

Mr. and Mrs. Elwyn Pitts and family attended revival meeting at the Alma Church of Christ

Sunday evening. O. George Stansberry, who was the speaker at Gilmore last summer, is the speaker there. If you would like to hear him again, he will be there Thursday and Friday evenings of this week. They also have a very fine quartet singing on the program.

Don't forget the Mother and Daughter Banquet May 13 at the church at 6.15 sharp.

The Gilmore TOPS Club has a change of time on meeting dates. They will be meeting Wednesday instead of Tuesday. Meeting will be at the same place, at 2.15. Come and join us.

Sharleen Wood, Janet Goudie, Marlene Pitts and Bradley Cook attended a Campus Day weekend at Great Lakes Bible College this past weekend. A wonderful time was enjoyed by all.

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Local Items

Mr. and Mrs. George Looman and Miss Jane Sharpe of Cedar Springs were Thursday luncheon guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Sprague. Mr. and Mrs. Clare Oberlin were Sunday dinner guests. Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Dent of Farwell were evening callers of the Spragues and also of Mrs. Bessie Teall.

Fishing picked up on most lakes during the past week. Good catches of rainbow trout, bass and perch have been reported on Lake of the Hills. Clayton Smith spent Tuesday morning fishing with George Skinner, and Clay got a good bass while George landed another rainbow trout.

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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.

Junior-Senior Banquet Saturday, May 10, at Evert.

Sunday, May 11, at 6.30 p. m., Quarterly Teachers Training, in the church basement.

WEIDMAN UNITED METHODIST
Rev. Lawrence Smith, Pastor
Change of time for services is in effect now:

Church School, 9 a. m.
Worship 10 a. m.

Friday evening, May 9, at 6.30 the Mother-Daughter Banquet will be held in the church dining room. Methodist Men will serve the meal. Price \$2.00 for adults, children \$1.50, pre-schoolers free.

Friday evening, following the banquet, choir rehearsal.

Saturday, May 17, Bake sale, all divisions of WSCS. Others may contribute. Held in downtown Weidman.

Sunday, May 11, the Weidman United Methodist Church will observe Mother's Day.

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.

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NEWS NOTES

Weekend guests of Rev. and Mrs. Lawrence Smith were their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Stenger, and two sons, Lonnie and Steven, of Richland, Mich.

Mrs. Hermione Smith was a Sunday dinner guest of the Don Alwood family.



SP/4 AND MRS. THOMAS A. FLOWER

Mary Rahl, daughter of Mrs. Marie Rahl and the late Arthur Rahl of Beal City, became the bride of Sp/4 Thomas A. Flower April 12 at 11 a. m., in a double ring ceremony and nuptial Mass at St. Joseph the Worker's Church in Beal City, with Rev. Father Edward Neubecker officiating.

Tom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. David Flower of Weidman.

The bride was given in marriage by her brother, Keith Rahl, of Toledo, O.

The bride wore an A-line floor-length gown with train, of ivory brocade. Her elbow-length veil was held in place by a cabbage-rose headpiece. She carried yellow roses and ivy. Her bride's bouquet for the Virgin Mary was of white carnations.

The bridegroom wore his uniform.

The bride's matron of honor was Kathryn Vogel, sister of the bride. Her bridesmaid was Jennie Flower, sister of the groom. They wore dresses identical in design with the bride's, but of pastel blue bonded material. The bride and her attendants all made their own dresses, and they were beautiful.

Norman Vogel, brother-in-law of the bride, was best man. Groomsman was Larry Leiter, a friend of the couple. Ushers were Gary McArthur, cousin of the groom, and Francis Schafer, uncle of the bride.

Shirley Weber was organist.

For her daughter's wedding, Mrs. Rahl chose a white mesh dress over pink, with white accessories.

The groom's mother wore a jacket dress of navy blue, trimmed with lace, and white accessories. Both mothers wore corsages of yellow roses.

A reception was held at the Masonic Hall in Weidman at 1 o'clock p. m. Nancy Faber, Carol Bleise and Rita Vogel prepared a sumptuous dinner.

Special guests were the grand-

parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Showalter, Mrs. Gracie Smith, and Mrs. Louise Schafer.

Mrs. Helen Adams, friend of the young couple, and Jean Foster of Mt. Pleasant, cousin of the bride, cut the wedding cake which was baked by the bride's sister, Mrs. Norman Vogel.

The happy couple left on a honeymoon in Northern Michigan, returning shortly to spend a few days with their parents before leaving for Germany.

Mary graduated from the Beal City High School in 1968. Tom graduated from the Weidman High School in 1966.

They left April 28 from Bishop Airpot in Flint, heading for Bad Kreuznachs, Germany, where they will live till April, 1970, when Tom expects to return and get his Army discharge.

About 100 guests attended the wedding and the reception.

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