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Editor's Column

By Connie

EVERYBODY'S CONCERNED OVER THE MILL POND

Fishermen who over the years have enjoyed the best fishing, foot for foot of water, in the state of Michigan, as well as local people and land owners, have been expressing concern over the dismal aspect of the Weidman Mill Pond.

We present a copy of a letter which J. Stanley Weidman wrote recently to Willard Searles, expressing his dismay:

August 1, 1969
Willard Searles
St. Johns, Michigan

Dear Mr. Searles:

In a recent issue of the "Weidman Messenger" I was deeply distressed to read that unusual heavy rains had taken out the Weidman dam, leaving a sorrowful spectacle, and a distressing situation.

To identify myself I will explain I am John S. Weidman's oldest son, and spent my teen years in the delightful village my father founded.

I understand you have monetary interest in the dam, and adjacent shores, and naturally will take steps to restore the waters to normal depth.

My interest is sentimental, and should you feel inclined I would appreciate a letter from you advising of plans of restoration.

Sincerely,
J. Stanley Weidman
Durango, Colo.

So far we haven't heard of Stanley Weidman getting a reply from Mr. Searles.

A BIRTHDAY GIFT FROM STANLEY WEIDMAN

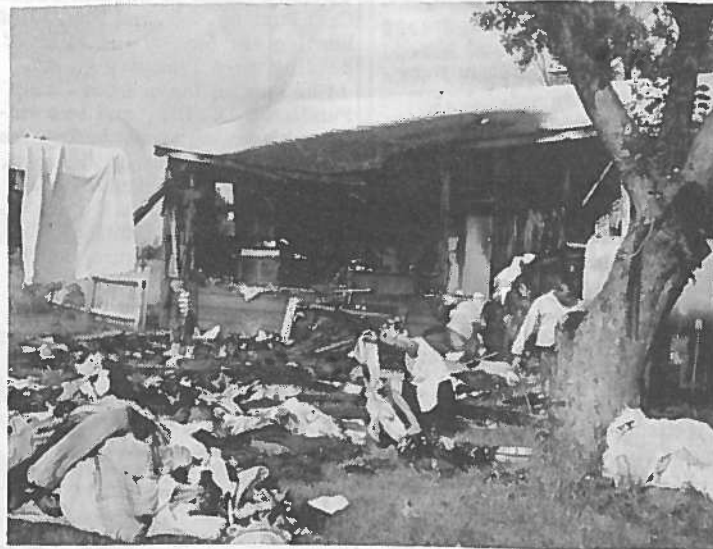
George Skinner was quite overwhelmed Tuesday morning when he received a birthday gift from Stanley Weidman: A deluxe fruitcake from the famous Collin Street Bakery in Corsicana, Texas.

We'll be enjoying the delicious cake and thinking of the Weidmans for many weeks to come.

The Colorado Weidmans are warm and genuine people. Real people.

We called our sister, Mildred Garner, Sunday afternoon in Ft.

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TRAGEDY STRIKES THE CLARENCE GEITMAN HOME--An explosion believed to have been caused by propane gas accumulation wrecked the house, seriously injured Mrs. Geitman, and gave Mr. Geitman burns on his arms, right hand and over his head. The series of three explosions blew out the entire west wall of the house, throwing Mrs. Geitman with the debris. Her husband extinguished fire through her hair, and over her body. All rooms in the house were totaled out by the explosions and intense heat from fire in every room. Messenger photo



CLARENCE GEITMAN WORKS ON PIPE FITTING FOR WATER--Above photo shows Clarence Geitman as he worked in his rubble-strewn garage attached to his wrecked house. Sunday he was attempting to repair his water-well line, he told the Messenger reporter. He suffered burns on his arms, right hand, leg, and head and face. Scalp burns show in the photo.

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Messenger photo

Men in Uniform

RICK STRAUS IN MARYLAND HOSPITAL

Rick Straus is in Maryland, and would very much like to hear from area folks.

He is in a hospital, and his address is:

FFC. Richard Straus, US5499-2328, Kinbrough Army Hospital, Fort Meade, Maryland 20755, Ward 2B.

Richard wrote his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Steve Straus, that he was still having IV's, and still has to undergo bone surgery.

His left leg was badly injured in fighting in Vietnam.

The Red Cross put in a call for him Sunday to his folks, and he said he was taken to Oikinaawa, then to Japan, and then home. The trip took just 16 hours from Japan.

He left Japan on Sunday and arrived here on Sunday, on account of the time zone difference.

His birthday was Aug. 19. He is 21.

Here's a new address:

Daniel R. Praay S.A., B-53-4590, USS Grappler, A.R.S. 7 SPO San Francisco, Calif. 96601.

Daniel has seen service aboard ship in Vietnam, and is now stationed at Honolulu. He has been at sea the past few weeks.

He is the son of Mrs. Dwight Aungst.

Sgt. Philip J. Andres was transferred from Walter Reed General Hospital July 17 to Fort Dix, N.J. His new address:

Sgt. Philip J. Andres, Co. A, 6 Bn., 3 Bct. Bd., Fort Dix, New Jersey 08640.

He called his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Aloy Andres, Sunday night and said he was feeling fine.

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FAMILY NIGHT WELCOME FOR REV. AND MRS. SMITH
Rev. and Mrs. Lawrence Smith attended a Fellowship supper Sunday evening at the Wimm Methodist Church.

After supper the evening was spent in visiting, followed by a time of hymn singing led by Micky Kish.

The Smiths were presented a lovely gift from the church group.

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ISABELLA COUNTY FAIR IS ON ALL THIS WEEK

Around Horr

Jessie Rosencrantz, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Cummins of Ithaca spent Sunday and over night with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Alva Cummins. Bill Cummins joined them for a fish supper Sunday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Irving Cummins and boys were afternoon callers, and called on Bill at the lake. Mr. and Mrs. Garth Lawrence and Pam were also Sunday callers.

Mrs. Nora Dent and Mrs. Phyllis Sides and children were Wednesday evening callers at the Gerald Dent home. Mr. and Mrs. Harold Krueger and children were Thursday supper guests. Mr. and Mrs. Dent planned to leave Lansing by plane Tuesday for a vacation at Calder, Idaho, with Mr. and Mrs. Harris Bellows, their uncle and aunt. They flew to Spokane, Wash., and then took a bus to Calder, Idaho.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Oplinger attended an NFO meeting Thursday evening at the Union Township Hall near Mt. Pleasant. Mr. and Mrs. Oplinger and Kenny attended a wedding in Mt. Pleasant Friday evening.

Eddie Oplinger spent from Thursday through Sunday on an FFA trip.

Mr. and Mrs. Oplinger spent Saturday evening with their cousins, the John Carrs, at their cottage at Lake City. Sunday they called on the Walter Haucks near Rosebush.

Miss Lynette Jackson was a Sunday overnight guest at the Gerald Losey home.

Jim Wright of Pontiac is spending his vacation with his folks, the Wilbur Wrights, and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Covert of Barryton were Sunday evening guests of the Paul Millers.

Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Thompson of New Era were Wednesday overnight guests of the Mack Denslows.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Benn of Pennsylvania are spending a few days with his parents, the Frank Benns. Mr. and Mrs. Del Johnson and Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Carr of Pontiac spent the weekend with their parents. The Del Johnsons spent some time with their son, Benn, and family.

Mrs. Margaret Denslow and Mrs. Marie Evans returned home last Tuesday from a 10-day vacation in Hawaii. It took them just 12 hours by plane.

Kerri Lynn and Scott Baker spent from Friday through Sunday with their grandmother, Mrs. Margaret Denslow, while their parents were on a trip to Upper Michigan. Mrs. Eleanor Smith of Grand Junction, Colo., called on Mrs. Denslow Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Martin and son of Owosso and Miss Kay Carroll were Sunday guests at the Joe Martin home. Mrs. Leona Martin and Brenda were Thursday supper guests.

Mrs. Goldie Dutcher called on Hattie Losey Monday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher called Wednesday afternoon. Mrs. Alma White also called Wednesday. Harold and Ron Losey and Bill Cummins were Friday visitors. Bill brought the Loseys a nice mess of bluegills. Mr. and Mrs. Theron Merrihew were Sunday afternoon callers.

Miss Blanche Carr called on Jessie Rosencrantz Monday evening, and also called on Hattie Losey.

Mr. and Mrs. Alva Cummins called on Mrs. Nettie Lawrence Friday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Garth Lawrence and Pam were weekend guests.

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Two Rivers

Blanche Carr, Reporter

The Two Rivers School reunion will be held Sunday, Aug. 24, at the Deerfield Township Hall. Bring your own table service. Pot luck lunch.

Mrs. Homer Moses entertained the C.M.B. Club at her cottage on Coldwater Lake.

The Charles, Ernest and Edward Garretts and Leona Courser attended the Gearhart reunion in Mt. Pleasant.

Minnie Flaughter, Doris Wilmot, Millie Voss and Rosie Hogen and John Sheldon helped Mrs. Laura Latham celebrate her birthday Wednesday.

Mrs. Minnie Strauch of Mt. Pleasant spent Monday night and Tuesday with Blanche Carr.

Blanche Carr called on Mrs. Nettie Baker and Mrs. Mary Larson Friday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Verne Foster and Blanche Carr attended the wedding of David Carr and Miss Vicki Sue Gingery at the R. S. D. A. Church in Farwell Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Martin and son, Chris, of Owosso, and Miss Kay Carroll of Mt. Pleasant visited the Herman Martins Sunday. Marion Grewette was a Monday caller. Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Martin of Beal City were Saturday afternoon visitors.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Nichols of Shields were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Chris Larson.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Bartholomew of Blanchard visited Mrs. Nettie Baker. Bob Courser of Lowell called Thursday.

Charles Garrett, Jr., took his sister, Mrs. Mary MacGregor, to the Redstone Arsenal in Georgia to rejoin her husband. She has been recovering from an automobile accident some weeks ago.

Miss Linda Aungst is attending camp meeting in Newark, O.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Leider of Detroit were guests last week of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Leider. Mr. and Mrs. Earl Spencer of Walled Lake spent Wednesday with them and Mrs. Ella Cottone of Orchard Lake spent Saturday. Thursday, Arnold Krueger and children,

Miss Audrey Swartz and Mrs. Lovica Krueger of Mt. Pleasant were dinner guests. Sunday the Leiders and Kruegers attended the Krueger reunion in Lansing. The Frank Leider children, Chris and Cindy, came home with their grandparents, the Jack Leiders, for the week.

Charles Letson of Lake is visiting his grandparents, the Charles Harveys, this week.

Mr. and Mrs. George Gadley of Louisville, Ky., and Mrs. Irene Rayborn of Belding were Tuesday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Oral Bunting. Mr. and Mrs. Olen Bunting and Stacey and Mike of Belding were Thursday guests.

Mike was on leave from Camp Pendleton, Calif., and was visiting his grandparents before embarking for his tour in Vietnam. Mr. and Mrs. Ray Bentley and son, Chris, of Marshall spent the weekend with the Buntings. They attended the Ege reunion at the K. C. Hall at Beal City.

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Aug. 21t1

ISABELLA COUNTY FAIR IS ON ALL THIS WEEK
Fair Books at Messenger office

CLEAN rugs, like new, so easy to do with Blue Lustre. Rent electric shampooer \$1 at Fox Hardware, Weidman.
Aug. 21t1

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.

Our annual Sunday School picnic will be held Aug. 22 at School Section Lake. Supper at 6.30 p.m.

Aug. 24, 7.30, we will be showing slides on a proposed campsite for our Central Michigan Association.

WEIDMAN UNITED METHODIST
Rev. Lawrence Smith, Pastor
Sunday School, 10 a.m.
Worship, 11 a.m.

Wednesday, Aug. 27, Methodist Men's Night. Pot-luck supper.

Thursday evening 7 to 8, choir rehearsal.

Sunday, Aug. 31, the officers of the WSCS will be installed during the morning worship service.

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.

Sunday, Aug. 24, 10.30 a.m., Mission Festival.

FOREST HILL COMMUNITY CHURCH

Rev. Jack Dunn of Remus, Pastor
Preaching Service, 9.45 a.m.
Sunday School, 10.45 a.m.
Prayer Meeting Thursday evening, 7.30 p.m.

Sunday Evening Preaching Service, 6 p.m.

GILMORE CHURCH OF CHRIST
George Getchel, Pastor

Sunday, Aug. 24, 1 p.m., a carry-in dinner will be held.

We are very happy to welcome into our fellowship those who were baptized last week.

Local Items

Mr. and Mrs. Hetherington of Winn called on Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Smith last Thursday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Ferguson of St. Louis spent Sunday evening with the Smiths.

George Skinner, who has suffered the effects of an infection in a cut on his shin-bone June 30, was beginning to feel a little better the first of this week. He has been ill the past two weeks.

Mrs. Roy Gillett of Shepherd was a last Tuesday visitor of Mrs. Ina Gillett. Mrs. Miles Loomis was a Thursday guest. Mrs. Verne Foster was a Friday caller. Sunday guests were Mr. and Mrs. F.B. Stevens of Sanford, and Mr. and Mrs. John Ervin of Six Lakes. Evening visitors were Mrs. Ethel Lintemuth of Big Rapids and Clarence Johnson of Grand Rapids.

Mr. and Mrs. Durwood Granger of rural Harrison were Thursday afternoon visitors of Mr. and Mrs. George Skinner. Mr. and Mrs. Colin Campbell of Barryton were Friday afternoon callers.

Earnest Gross was taken to CMC Hospital Thursday of last week, suffering from a heart condition. He returned home the first of this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Myers and Mr. and Mrs. Bernie Griffin of Ionia spent a weekend recently with Mr. and Mrs. Fred Wilcox, and all attended the Wagmen family reunion at the Coldwater Township Park.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Pick and children of Holt spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Goodrich.

Mrs. Eleanor Smith of Grand Junction, Colo., spent Wednesday and Thursday with Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Louisell, and visited her many friends in Weidman. Patrick Louisell of Grand Haven spent from Monday till Thursday with his grandparents. Mr. and Mrs. Richard Louisell of Spring Lake spent the weekend with Dick's parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe de la Pene, missionaries from the Philippines, were Wednesday callers of Mr. and Mrs. James Noe. Mr. and Mrs. LaVerne Hunt of Perry were Wednesday guests also, with the de la Penes.

Mr. and Mrs. Gary St. John and family spent Sunday with his mother and family, the Donald Zills.

Mrs. Leah Scharrer and Mr. and Mrs. Ted Smith and Jim spent Sunday at Wolverine, visiting Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Smith and family.

DEAR CONNIE:

My subscription runs out in September, so will send it in now.

I do enjoy the paper.

Mrs. Hazel Oberlin Mecosta.

HOME PAPER FOR THE WEST HALF OF ISABELLA COUNTY

In the Editor's Mail

Dear Connie:

I noticed on this week's paper the due date on the paper was circled with color, so I take it that my subscription is due.

My brother in Florida usually subscribes for me, but he is not too well, so I had gotten mixed up on date of renewal.

But am enclosing check for \$7.50 for renewal. Sure would hate to miss your paper.

I was so glad to see the account of the Kaninsky family. We were very good friends, in the olden days, when they had the bakery.

Sincerely, Laura Hyslop.

Comstock Park.

Connie: *****

I am so sorry I am late with my money. I am so forgetful that when I thought about it, I wasn't where I could get it ready.

I am so glad you didn't drop it. Thank you.

Mrs. June Blasen.

Dear Connie:

The months must have wings. It doesn't seem like a year has gone by and it's subscription time again.

I just read what you wrote about the rain storms. We have been in some odd ones lately on the paper route. A week or so ago we never saw so much rain fall in such a short time. The fields of corn, beans, beets and grain looked like lakes and rivers, and it hasn't all soaked away in some fields yet. Even the deep ditches were full.

That was over in the southern part of Midland County, east of M-30.

We experienced a sand storm in June. I never saw anything like it before. It was like a big wall moving toward us. A week later we were in an accident, and thank the Lord it wasn't as serious as it could have been. To those who wrote, we are coming along fine, Thanks.

Back to the rain again. We had some hard showers in the last two days. Must have been quite a bit of wind in places, as we saw some trees broken over and limbs off others.

And the men going to the moon -- what a miracle.

Best wishes to all
Helen (Tanner) Hudson
Route 5, Midland.

Dear Connie:

Thank you so much for the writeup in our home paper of Mom and Dad, and the picture. Will try to see you and George this fall if we can get away.

Thanks again.

The Winns, Rosalie and Louis California.

PS--Sure hot here now!

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BETTER THAN A LETTER

**Weidman
Messenger**

Brinton News

Frances Beck, Reporter

Mrs. Caroline Alston of Clare spent the weekend with her sister, Mrs. Flossie Forbes. Flossie returned home with her for a few days' visit.

Nora and Ellen Geasler, Flossie Forbes and Frances Beck attended the Merry Go Round Club meeting at the home of Pauline Wendel Thursday. The lucky winner of the quilt given away at the meeting was Pearl Dell.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Bowen and Connie attended the Brown and Seymour wedding at the Gilmore Church Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Teeter of Grand Rapids spent Saturday and Sunday with their mother, Mrs. Edna Teeter, and Homer. They picked a few blackberries while they were here.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Strang and girls called on her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Virgil La Londe, Saturday. They were enroute to Detroit.

Mrs. Marie Scott left Monday to spend a few days in Florida.

Guests of Frances Beck during the week were Mr. and Mrs. Gary Meixner and boys, Mr. and Mrs. Elston Carson and baby, and Mr. and Mrs. Junior Carson, all of Wayne. They attended the Brown and Seymour wedding Saturday afternoon, when Mary Brown, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Brown, and Kenneth Seymour, son of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Seymour, were married at the Gilmore Church.

Mr. and Mrs. Art Sherman called on Mr. and Mrs. Fay Forbes Saturday.

The Durkee boys from near Beaverton spent Saturday and Sunday with their grandmother, Mrs. Whaley, at Brinton.

Bill Estes was a Tuesday afternoon caller of George Skinner in Weidman. He said his father, Bert Estes, is scheduled for surgery at Ferguson Hospital in Grand Rapids in the near future. Our best wishes, Bert!

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REBEKAH CARD PARTY HAS FOUR TABLES IN PLAY

Four tables were in play at the last Rebekah sponsored card party.

Prizes were won by Lillian Johnston and Hulda Stevens, and Will and Leona Martin.

A nice lunch was served by the committee. The next party will be Aug. 26, at the hall.

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REBEKAHS HAVE RUMMAGE SALE SATURDAYS

The Weidman Rebekahs are planning to keep their Saturday rummage sale open until September, it was announced this week.

They are held in the basement of the Oddfellow Hall.

BETTER THAN A LETTER

S.W. Sherman

Goldie Dutcher, Reporter

Robert Dutcher and children, Dawn and Rex, of Midland, spent Friday and Saturday over night with the Clayton Dutchers. Bob helped Garry on the foundation he is building

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Remington and two sons of Saginaw visited Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher Sunday and Monday, then went to Hale to visit his folks.

Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Dutcher and family of Clarkston were Monday visitors and supper guests of the Ervin Dutchers, Jr.

Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Dutcher and family of Clarkston came Sunday to spend a few days with their folks, the Ervin Dutchers and the George Merrihews.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Howe, Jr., and children, Joyce and Bobby, spent Sunday afternoon and evening with Mrs. Clayton Dutcher. They called on the Richard Dutchers.

Lucile and Edna Merrihew, Marion Beutler and children and Goldie Dutcher attended the Busy Bees Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Ervin Dutcher.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Small of Smith Creek visited at the Geo. Merrihew home Sunday. They came to attend the Huguelet reunion. Their daughter, Barbara, is spending the week with her grandparents.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Dutcher and Gena of Clio were Monday visitors of the Clayton Dutchers.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Losey were Monday morning callers of the Ervin Dutchers. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hines spent Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Wermette and family, Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Wyant and girls, and Mr. and Mrs. Leo Gatehouse and Vicki were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Duane Thren and family.

Mrs. Hazel Davis has gone back to Albany, Ga., with her daughter, Mrs. Dee Ann Martin, and children, where she plans to make her home. They left last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Losey and Mrs. Jessie Rosencrantz and Goldie Dutcher spent Monday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher.

Lucile and Orval Merrihew attended the funeral of Ruth Huguelet Saturday at Mt. Pleasant.

Mr. and Mrs. George Merrihew and Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Chaffee called at the funeral home Friday evening to pay their respects. She was the wife of a cousin of George and Orrie.

Mr. and Mrs. George Merrihew and Mr. and Mrs. Orrie Merrihew and Orval attended the Huguelet reunion Sunday at the Weidman Park.

Mrs. Catherine McDaniel and girls were on a vacation from July 22 till Aug. 13. They

went to Ohio, where they attended the centennial. They were in Virginia and West Virginia, and visited her brother and family, the Bob Tabors, in North Carolina, and spent a week at Long Beach on the Atlantic Ocean.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hardenburgh and Linda visited the Willard Ransom family in Flint Monday.

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N. Broomfield

Mrs. Hilda Green of Detroit and Mrs. Helen Hartman called on Mrs. E.R. Rhode Monday.

Mrs. E. R. Rhode accompanied her daughter, Mrs. Joe Gostola, and family, to Lansing, to see the new baby of Mrs. Gostola's daughter.

The annual Mission Festival of the Zion Lutheran Church of Broomfield will be next Sunday, Aug. 24, at 10.30 a.m.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Adams spent the weekend at their cottage near Farwell.

Mrs. Johanna Smith is home from the hospital after suffering a broken ankle when she slipped and fell at her home. The injury is very painful.

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BROOMFIELD STORE OWNERS RETURN FROM VACATION

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Fanning and family returned Monday of this week from a 10-day vacation trip to Iowa. They operate the store at the corner of M-20 and Coldwater Road, formerly

Van Zandt's.

The Herman Lueders cared for the store while they were on their trip.

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Local Items

Vern Crittenden of Remus was a Tuesday afternoon visitor of George Skinner.

Mrs. Mary McCarthy, who is visiting Mrs. Emma Middlesworth, spent Monday in Detroit, visiting friends.

Recent guests of Mrs. Lela Whearett were Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Knudson and Greg of Trenton. They spent a week with his mother, and Greg stayed for a week with his grandmother. His parents will come this Friday to take him home.

Ruth Hutchins of Rosebush was a Sunday afternoon guest of Blanche Cliff.

Mrs. Daisy Embrey and Mrs. Sue Embrey were hostesses at a shower for Mrs. Richard Embrey of Lansing, at the IOOF Hall in Weidman. About 30 ladies attended. Beautiful gifts and a lovely cake by Daisy Embrey were features of the party.

Sunday callers of Mr. and Mrs. Gary Sprague and Mike were Mr. and Mrs. Harlan Sprague of Mt. Pleasant.

Mr. and Mrs. R.D. Sprague and Mrs. Bessie Teall visited the funeral home at Harrison Friday evening to pay respects to Steven Hammond, 17-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Hammond.

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Beal City Schools Open

BEAL CITY — Thursday, Aug. 28, will be the opening day of school for students attending Beal City Public Schools.

Students in grades one through 12 will begin classes Thursday morning. Kindergarten and special education classes will begin Tuesday, Sept. 2. The school day will begin at 8:45 a.m. and end at 3:10 p.m.

The hot lunch program will begin Thursday, Aug. 28.

All students new to the Beal City School District should enroll during this week, Aug. 18 through 22. Office hours will be from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Books fees for kindergarten children will be \$4, students in grades one through 6 will pay \$6 book fees. Students in grades seven through 12 will be charged \$10.

Beal City

Dora Smith, Reporter

A LITTLE GIRL FACES LONG HOSPITALIZATION

Recently Paula Fussman, granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Fussman of Beal City, was severely burned when her clothing caught fire.

She is now resting in a hospital in Ann Arbor, awaiting skin grafts and further medication. She is expected to be hospitalized there from one to two months.

The little five-year-old would appreciate cards and words of encouragement from friends at home

Anyone wishing to join in a card shower may use her address:

Paula Fussman, Room 496, St. Joseph's Hospital, Ann Arbor, Mich.

Mr. and Mrs. Isadore Schafer and Mrs. Coletta Gross and Mike Gross spent Tuesday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Leo Neubecker. Mr. and Mrs. Jim Neubecker and family of Lansing spent the weekend with his parents.

Mr. and Mrs. James Block and sons of Denver, Colo., spent a week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Block.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Block had a family reunion Sunday afternoon. Thirty-five members were present.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Reineke of Bryan, O., visited her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Keiffer, and Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Pung, Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Keiffer vis-

ited Mrs. Carl Kramer in Pe-wamo Saturday. They also called on Frank Schafer in Hubbardston.

A reception was held for Mr. and Mrs. George Schafer at the Knights of Columbus Hall Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Pung spent the weekend with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Steve Pung and Mr. and Mrs. Edward Schafer. The Pungs are making their home in Niles.

Mrs. Bob Pung and Mary and her son, Eddie, called on Louise Smith Thursday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Lenneman of De Witt had dinner with Louise and Ann Smith Friday. In the afternoon they called on Mr. and Mrs. Herman Grinzinger and Mr. and Mrs. Tony Schafer. He also called on Tony Tilmann.

The bans of matrimony were announced for the first time Sunday for Larry Garrett, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Garrett, and Betty Kremsreiter, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Kremsreiter.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Esch of Mt. Pleasant called on Mr. and Mrs. Tony Schafer Saturday afternoon.

Louise Schafer of Mt. Pleasant spent the weekend at her home here.

Sister M. Adele returned to Detroit Wednesday, after spending the weekend with her aunt, Mrs. Herman Grinzinger, and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Schafer and family spent the weekend at the sand dunes.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Masarik of Ontanagon spent the past week at the Jerry Schafer home.

Mark Schafer spent the past week at Camp Rotary.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Grinzinger, Sister Adele and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Schafer spent Monday evening at the Tony Schafer home.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Schafer and sons, Joe, Bill and Bob, started Thursday on a tour to Niagara Falls and other parts of New York State. They planned to visit their son, Edward, and family, at Plattsburg.

Sister Cecelia and Sister Harold spent the past week with their father, Wm. Faber.

Sister Maureen spent the past week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Sheahan.

Mr. and Mrs. Tony Schafer spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Milo Eldred near Blanchard.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Smith and Mrs. Martha Gross of Portland visited at the Jack Schafer home Saturday.

Regina Faber of Flat Rock spent the past weekend with Leona and Ed Faber.

Debbie Pung is home from CMC Hospital, feeling better.

Mr. and Mrs. John Schafer of Saginaw spent the weekend with Peter Schafer, and visited

their mother at CMC Hospital.

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West Gilmore

Lena Cole, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Cole called on Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Douglas Monday evening.

Mrs. Beulah Wixson called on the Coles Tuesday.

Fred Spencer of Florida and sister, Mrs. Mildred Smith, of Blanchard, called on Mrs. Charlotte Hart Wednesday.

Mrs. Hart called on Mrs. Paul Cole and Mrs. Ruby Douglas on Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Swan of Mt. Pleasant visited the Coles Thursday evening.

We extend our sympathy to George Skinner and family in the loss of their sister and aunt, Mrs. Dora Cole.

Warren Nellis of Coleman called on Mr. and Mrs. Paul Cole and Vilma Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Ellsworth of Charlotte were Sunday visitors of the Coles. Mrs. Ellsworth is Carol Hamilton, formerly of this area.

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Marshall of Big Rapids were callers of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Geasler Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Worth and family spent the weekend at Coldwater Lake.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Geasler,

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Geasler and baby, were guests of the Worths at the lake Sunday for a picnic dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Geasler visited his brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Payton Geasler, Friday.

Mrs. Violet Lowery is spending some time with her sister, Mrs. Charlotte Hart.

Mr. and Mrs. Milton Shilling of Caledonia were Sunday dinner guests of his sister, Mrs. Charlotte Hart.

Mr. and Mrs. Lane Chapman were also guests of Mrs. Hart. Congratulations to the new Mr. and Mrs. Ken Seymour.

Pattie and Laura Ewing of Vassar returned home Saturday after a week spent at the home of their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Cole, and aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Ken Allen. Mr. and Mrs. Tom Cole of Detroit spent the weekend at their farm. They report their father, George Cole, remains about the same.

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NEWS NOTES

Mrs. Kit Johnson spent Sunday with the Gerald Johnsons of Mt. Pleasant. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Johnson and girls brought her home, and spent the evening.

Mrs. Ann Williams of Ann Arbor spent Monday and Tuesday with Mrs. Emma Middlesworth,



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MR. AND MRS. FRANK TVORIK

The Sacred Heart Church in Mt. Pleasant was the scene for the June wedding of Sue Ann Slack and Frank John Tvorik.

The bride is the daughter of Mrs. Ray Slack of rural Mt. Pleasant, and the bridegroom is the son of Mrs. John Campbell and the late Frank Tvorik, of Weidman.

Rev. Frederick Kawka officiated at the noon ceremony.

The bride was escorted down the aisle by her uncle, Luther Slack. Her gown was an Empire-waisted A-line style in organza over talfeta, with a lace bodice. Her veil was held in place by a tiara of seed pearls and bourellis. She carried a bouquet of pink sweetheart roses, ivy, and stephonotis.

Mrs. Mary Jo Fortin of Mt. Morris was her sister's Matron of Honor. Judy Slack of Mt. Pleasant, sister of the bride, and Mrs. Carolyn Van Boven, of Wyoming, Mich., cousin of the bride, were bridesmaids.

Robert Tvorik, brother of the

bridegroom, was best man. Gerald Tvorik of Flint and Ralph Tvorik of Alma, also brothers, were groomsmen. Ushers were Gordon Van Boven of Wyoming and William Montague of Mt. Morris. Jack Fortin seated the mothers.

Bonnie Van Boven was flower girl, and Patrick Van Boven the ring bearer.

The bride's attendants wore gowns of apricot crepe with darker back-panels of chiffon. They were made by Mrs. Van Boven and the bride's mother. They carried baskets of white daisies and apricot-tinted carnations. The flower girl, in identical dress, carried a tiny basket of the same flowers.

The bride's mother wore a dress of pink sira-linen and lace with matching accessories and a pink rosebud corsage. The bridegroom's mother wore a yellow imported silk dress with matching bolero, white accessories and a white rosebud corsage.

Following the ceremony at the church, a wedding breakfast was served in the Moose clubrooms, prepared and served by ladies of the Moose. A reception was held in the evening for 250 guests at the VFW Hall in Edmore.

The wedding cake was cut and served by Janice Moon, friend of the bride. Mr. and Mrs. Wm. (Quincy) Adams were host and hostess.

The bride is a graduate of Sacred Heart Academy and is with the Social Security Administration in Roseville.

The bridegroom is a graduate of the Weidman High School and is in management training with the W.T. Grant Company in Madison Heights.

After a honeymoon through the Upper Peninsula, the young couple are at home at the Grosvenor East Apartments in Roseville.

Guests attended from Lilly,

Pa., Massilon, Palmer, and Cleveland, O., Menominee Falls, Wis., Grand Rapids, Mt. Morris, Flint, Lansing, Stanton, Weidman and Mt. Pleasant.

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Dear Sir:

We would like to renew our Weidman Messenger for another year. We like the paper very much.

Yours truly,
Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Martin
222 South Fancher
Mt. Pleasant

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Local Items

Carl Hofman, a teacher in the Junior College at Grand Rapids, was calling on old friends here Tuesday.

Among area people admitted to CMC Hospital this week were Alberta Bleise, Joyce McClain, and Deborah Benn.

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Walker Creek News

Esther Stanley, Reporter

ANNIVERSARY PARTY FOR THE LEO DENSLOWS

The children of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Denslow honored them with a 25th anniversary party at the Barryton cafeteria Sunday, Aug. 17. Many relatives, friends and neighbors attended.

The honored guests received many beautiful gifts, as well as money from a tree painted silver.

The children served a delicious dinner.

Many more years of happiness, Leo and Evelyn!

Callers of Mrs. Ethel McLean during the week were Mr. and Mrs. Warren Leiter, Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Miller, Mrs. Marshall Lowery, Jr., and Pete and Dick Lowery mowed her lawn Wednesday morning. Mrs. Eva Denslow was a Saturday supper guest.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Ansler of Battle Creek spent the past two weeks with Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Emmons. Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Bobroski and children of Lansing were weekend guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Ley of Conklin were Thursday supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Gary Portenga and family. They brought Kimberly home, and Scott went home with them for a week.

Mr. and Mrs. Ley also visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lou Gray. Mrs. Gray reported that Mrs. Ward Loomis entered the Lakeview hospital Wednesday for a checkup. She was expected home the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Gray attended Open House of the M&V Gray Investment Co. office (Max and Vernon), their son and grandson, at Midland, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Dosenberry of Lansing visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Dosenberry, and Paul and Keith, Saturday.

Mrs. Lyle Denslow visited her sister, Mrs. Wyona Risdon, of Blanchard, Tuesday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Corwin and children of Fenton were weekend guests at the Denslow home, attending the anniversary party for Mr. and Mrs. Leo Denslow Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. La Vange Waite of Flint and Mrs. Marguerite Coleman of Remus visited Mr. and Mrs. Keith Thompson Thursday evening.

Ralph and Roddy Thompson are vacationing near Bouce Mines, Canada. Hazen Thompson is staying with Mr. and Mrs. Keith Thompson while they are gone.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Leiter and sons of Traverse City visited Mr. and Mrs. Warren Leiter and family Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Coon and Homer Teeter were Sunday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Schrock and Philip. Mr. and Mrs. Schrock and Philip and Homer Teeter called on Mr. and Mrs. Archie Powell, Jr., Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Lena St. John and Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Beutler visited Mr. and Mrs. Ben Haney and Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Tubandt of Lansing a week ago Sunday.

They visited their cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Bates, at Rose Lake, Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. Eva Tubandt of Lansing and Mrs. Claribel Miller of Rosebush visited Mrs. St. John Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Beutler and Mary attended the Interlochen Music Festival Sunday. Several Chippewa Hills students participated.

Mr. and Mrs. Art Schrock and Ed, Debbie and Susan attended the Schrock reunion at Muskegon Sunday.

Mrs. Russell Stanley spent one day this week with her daughter, Mrs. Donald Pung, and children of Beal City. Debbie came home from the hospital the middle of last week. All the other children have measles. We called on them Sunday afternoon.

Ye Reporter has a migraine headache. so please excuse mistakes!

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NorthWeidman

Elvah Gott, Reporter

The children of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Latham were home Sunday to see their father, who has been in ill health. Mr. and Mrs. Harley Latham of Mt. Pleasant and Mr. and Mrs. Carl Latham of Blanchard also visited him.

Mrs. Joy Alwood, Mrs. Marsha Sexton and Mrs. Charlene Battleshaw started work at the Evert Products plant last Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Gott and Cathy Alwood had a nice chicken dinner Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Albert Gott and Larry of Winn. Mrs. Flossie Allen also was a guest.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Gott and Flossie Allen of Winn had ice cream and cake Friday evening with Mrs. Elvah Gott, for her birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Adams attended the wedding of Harold Adams, Jr., and Pamela Cook Saturday evening at the Gilmore Church of Christ.

Warren Nellis of Coleman visited Mr. and Mrs. Roy Adams Sunday afternoon and had supper with Ward Dell in the evening.

Mr. and Mrs. John Gott had supper Friday with Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Allen, and visited their new great-granddaughter, Brenda. The parents are Mr. and Mrs. Ben Allen.

Mrs. Lillian Johnston returned to her work at CMC Hospital after enjoying a two weeks' va-

cation.

Rusty Alwood and Eddie Kavanaugh spent Sunday home from their work near Detroit.

Mrs. Hermione Smith enjoyed fish supper with the Don Alwood family recently. The fish were the same that Mr. and Mrs. George Beers brought home from their recent visit to Canada. Mrs. Beers has had a month vacation from her work at the State Home.

Nine-months-old Treasa Alwood, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Alwood, returned home from CMC Hospital after spending a few days there with a bad cold and flu.

Jim Alwood, Sandra Cook, Stewart Abbott, Stanley Shaner, Bobby Fox and Raymond Brecht are among the students attending summer band at the Barryton school.

Mr. and Mrs. Rick England and two daughters are making their home in a nice trailer house across from the John Gott's.

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Mrs. Eleanor Smith of Colorado called Thursday afternoon on Mrs. Nina Forbes.

Local Items

Mr. and Mrs. R.D. Sprague spent Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. Clare Oberlin in Lansing. While there they called on Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Hill of Holt and Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Sprague of Lansing.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Parks of Lansing and Mr. and Mrs. Tom McGuirk of Carson City were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Frantz.

Mr. and Mrs. Junior Bakos and family of Ashley were Friday night through Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Sprague and family. Jim Sutton, also of Ashley, was an overnight visitor Monday, bringing a nice box of red-ripe tomatoes.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Wilson and Mrs. Pat Hathaway were Saturday evening guests of Mrs. Nina Forbes. Mr. and Mrs. Thomas C. Brien and family of Berkely spent from Sunday till last Wednesday afternoon with his mother.

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FOUR GENERATIONS OF TRANBARGERS--Sunday was a red-letter day for Barney Tranbarger as his children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren gathered at his home here for a family reunion. Standing, left to right, are Wm. Wilson, Sr., Barney's son-in-law from Grand Rapids; Bill's daughter, Mrs. Dan Munoz (Kathy), and very small daughter, Kelly, of East Lansing; Miss Anne Schmiedicke, Wm. Wilson, Jr., her fiancée; his mother, Mrs. Wm. Wilson (Mary), all of Grand Rapids; Mrs. John Tranbarger (Freda); Frances Tranbarger, Tam Tranbarger; seated, Chris, Dan and Julie Munoz; Barney Tranbarger, John Tranbarger and son, Timothy, of Los Gatos, Calif. Messenger photo

Dan Munoz is studying for his Doctorate at MSU, and is a psychologist.

This was the first time all the Tranbarger family had been together in many years.

Mr. and Mrs. George Skinner were included as guests at a cook-out dinner.

The John Tranbargers are spending the week with his father and Frances.

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TRAGEDY STRIKES THE GEITMAN HOME

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Mr. and Mrs. Geitman had returned Friday evening after a week spent in Saginaw, and opened up their house. It was a very warm evening, Mr. Geitman said, and they opened windows immediately, and he turned on an electric fan, then went into the basement and turned on the air conditioner.

He went back up the basement stairs and got to the kitchen door when a series of three explosions ripped through the house.

Mr. Geitman ran to the west side of the house and rescued his wife, extinguishing flames over her body, and her blazing hair.

Every room in the house was on fire, Mr. Geitman said in an interview.

He carried his wife to the front of the house, at the roadside, and flagged down a car for help. He said they do not know who the Good Samaritan lady was who drove them to CMC Hospital in Mt. Pleasant, but would like to learn her identity and thank her.

They would also like to know who the man is who gave Mr.

Geitman his own eye-glasses when Mr. Geitman said he could not see without glasses. "Here, take mine," the man said. "I have another pair at home." Mr. Geitman has been using the borrowed glasses while new lenses were made for him in Saginaw according to his oculist's prescription.

The Weidman Fire Department had the ruinous blaze under control in a short time, but the inside of the house was gutted, and the west wall of the house blown out.

All windows but one were blown outward by the blast, it was said at the scene Sunday.

Mrs. Geitman is the mother of Mrs. Loren Anderson of Mt. Pleasant. Loren is graphic arts instructor in the Mt. Pleasant High School.

Mrs. Geitman was transferred to Harper Hospital in Detroit, where she was under intensive care with first, second and some third degree burns over 40 to 50 percent of her body.

Her condition was described by hospital personnel Monday as "stable". Mr. Geitman spent Tuesday at the hospital, with C. A. Sanders of Ithaca, the latter a son of Mrs. Geitman. Mr. and Mrs. Loren Anderson planned to spend Wednesday and Thursday with her mother at the Detroit hospital.

Only family members have been allowed to visit her, for five-minute periods.

Mr. Geitman was treated at the Mt. Pleasant hospital and released, with burns on his face, head and right hand and arm.

The Geitmans were married July 20 of this year.

Editor's Column

By Connie

(Continued from Page 1)

Myers, Florida, to see how that portion of the state was faring in the face of Hurricane Camille.

Mildred said that Fort Myers was totally unaffected by the storm, the area not even having an extra breeze.

The Florida "panhandle," which was spoken of in the press, is apparently not the long peninsula, but what Mildred called the mainland, north and east of the main part of Florida.

Many others around here have relatives in Florida, and were concerned during the course of the killer hurricane.

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Lynn Rogers and small daughter visited Mrs. Ethel Bywater Monday evening. Gerald Bywater called her from Benton Harbor saying he would be here Tuesday for a visit with her and with his sister, Mrs. Ercel Woodward, of Florida. Ercel has been visiting Mrs. Bywater, and plans to return to Florida this week.

SENIOR CITIZENS PARTY HAS 56 IN ATTENDANCE

The Senior Citizens card party at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Beal City last Thursday had 56 young oldsters in attendance. These card parties are enjoyed by people from a wide area, and all are welcomed, by the gracious enthusiasts of card playing.

Thirteen and a half tables were in play, and 10 games were played.

First ladies' prize went to Leona Faber, second to Margaret Lawens. First men's prize was won by Will Faber, second by Othel Beutler. The pepper prize was won by Leona Martin. The door prize went to Margaret Lawens.

The serving committee, headed by Hulda Stevens and Rose Hauck, with helpers, served delicious sandwiches, pickles and coffee.

The next party will be held Sept. 4.

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NEWS NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Nutt and daughter, Mary, visited Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Smith before they left for their home in Texas.

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