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## Editor's Column

By Connie

### "YANKS OWE US"

From the Jackson (Mississippi) Daily News we reprint an editorial we think is priceless. We hope you enjoy it too. Here it is:

Those people who call themselves the National Black Economic Development Conference, and who are demanding that white churches pay five hundred million dollars in reparations for the injustices done to blacks during and since slave days, may have started more things in motion than they realize.

Already other groups are getting into the act....

A number of Chinese-Americans have asked the Southern Pacific Railroad for \$300,000 in educational aid to atone for the exploitation of Chinese labor to build the railroad in the days of the Old West.

Descendants of Indians who were pushed off their lands at the same time are said to be after the same company for some kind of financial redress.

The nice thing about this reparations game is that anybody can play--if one accepts, as the Wall Street Journal puts it, the principle of "unlimited ancestral guilt". For there is no group, race or nation that has not been wronged somehow by some other group, race or nation some time in history.

If it is legitimate for American Negroes to "sue" white churches, it would also be legitimate for them to demand reparations from the descendants of the African chiefs who collaborated with the slavers.

Whom could the churches sue? Well, they could begin by demanding that the British government pay up for the confiscation and destruction of church property by Redcoats during the American Revolution.

The British in turn could sue the French, who have never made proper amends for the damage done during the Norman Conquest in 1066.....

The Normans, of course, were descendants of the Norsemen, who ravaged Europe for centuries. When are the Scandinavians going to settle?

For that matter, the French and Germans and just about everybody else in Europe were ex-



JOE KEIFFER'S BIG SUNFLOWER STANDS 12 FEET, 4 INCHES.

At his home in Beal City, Mr. Keiffer raises a nice garden each year, and this fall he has several big sunflower plants, one the giant plant shown above. Last spring Gary Tilmann, son of the Howard Tilmanns, sold Mr. Keiffer a dozen sunflower plants for ten cents, and the giant one is one of the dozen. Gary was six years old at the time (he's seven now). The Keiffers' home is in the former Yuncker house in Beal City.

### SORRY, OUR DOOR IS LOCKED AFTERTHOONS

Our apologies to those who have come to the Messenger office since George has been in the hospital, and found our door locked.

Ye Ed drives to Mt. Pleasant every afternoon but Mondays

ploited by the Romans, who were conquerers and slavers from way back. Modern Italians should be held responsible!

If it is any comfort to them, however, they have a grievance against the Greeks, whose ancestors used to roam the Mediterranean, planting colonies and capturing slaves.

And, how about what those Yankees did to Mississippi and the rest of the South in the past 100 years or so. Come on, Y'all, pay up that 900 zillion bucks you owe us!

and Tuesdays, to be with him. This is the fourth week he has been in CMC Hospital.

Tuesday morning Dr. Lionel Davis told George he would be there for "a few days yet".

George has a telephone in his room, and anyone wishing to talk with him may call the hospital, 773-7941, and ask for Room 228.

George's long stay is lightened by telephone calls and cards and letters. He greatly appreciates all of them.

His room mate last week was Gordon Glass of Gilmore. He had a new room mate Tuesday.

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### NEWS NOTES

The Raymond Pungs have their lawn smoothed down and will seed it this fall. They are very happy in their sectional home on the Weidman Road just east of town.

## Men in Uniform

Jimmy Anderson, son of Dale Anderson, left last Wednesday for induction into the Army. He is stationed at Fort Knox.

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Sp/4 Russell Tilmann, son of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Tilmann of Beal City, is now just Russell Tilmann. He is home from service, discharged from the Army on a 90-day "drop", or early release. He served in Vietnam seven months, in combat. An old training-camp buddy, Joe Clare, of Mt. Pleasant, called on him Monday, and the two had a grand visit. Army discipline and combat knits men closely together, in many instances. Veterans of all wars enjoy visiting among their fellow ex-soldiers, and their're sure entitled to it.

Glad you're home, Russ!

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Richard S. Wood, son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Wood of West Remus Road, has enlisted in the U.S. Navy and is now training at Great Lakes, Ill.

He is taking advanced electronics. His address:

Richard S. Wood, SR B572995, Co. 542, 12th Bn., Recruit Training Command, Great Lakes, Ill.

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Sp/4 K. C. Charnes is spending a couple of weeks here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Charnes.

K. C. will return to Fort Bliss, Texas, after his home-leave.

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Sp/4 Dale Sprague is home after being discharged from the Armed Services.

He enlisted for a three-year term which included a hitch in Vietnam.

Dale will start study at Ferris State College Sept. 25 on an x-ray technician course.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Sprague of Weidman.

Glad you're home, Dale!

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PFC. Virgil Harvey arrived home Tuesday night, after his discharge from the Armed Services. He served his hitch in Vietnam and was wounded twice. He spent a seven-day quarantine in California after arriving in the States from Vietnam. Glad you're home safely, Virgil!

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Alton Allen was among the Sunday callers of George Skinner at CMC Hospital.

**Around Horr**

Jessie Rosencrantz, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Bergquist, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Bergquist and baby and Mrs. Janet Potter and baby were Sunday dinner guests of Mrs. Flora Wood. Dick Potter left Sunday for Detroit, where he has employment with the Commonwealth Bank. Mrs. Potter plans to join him there, upon the arrival of their household goods from Arlington, Va. He has completed his hitch in the Army.

Woodrow Martin came to the Joe Martin home Sunday, from the hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Martin and family and Mrs. Alma Byron attended the wedding of their niece Saturday at Kaleva. Sunday callers at the Martin home were Mrs. Cora Shippee and daughter, Jane, of Mt. Pleasant, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Garner of Six Lakes, Mrs. Irene Keck and children of Ashley, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Carroll and family of Mt. Pleasant, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Garner, Harry Hardenburgh, Jeff and Roger Price, and Dianne and Terry Jones.

Miss Susie Henskis of Detroit was a Sunday dinner guest at the Earl Oplinger home.

Monday guests at the Charlie Losey home were Monroe Beckwith, Floyd Dutcher, Mr. and Mrs. Elton Himebaugh and granddaughter, and Mrs. Alma White. Sunday callers were Harold Losey, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Lorenz and the Gerald Losey family.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Darnell and Mr. and Mrs. Jay Darnell were Sunday callers of the Mack Denslows.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Denslow called on Jack Thompson Saturday evening. Mack Denslow was a Wednesday caller.

Mr. and Mrs. Alva Cummins and Mrs. Alma White called on Bill Cummins at the Veterans Hospital in Saginaw Thursday. He was slowly gaining weight. They met Judy Lawrence at the hospital, and stopped at her place on the way home, at Midland. Mr. and Mrs. Irving Cummins and son, Timothy, of Lansing called at the Alva Cummins home Sunday, and took them for a drive to Lake Isabella, then they all called at the Tracy White home, where they were treated to watermelon and muskmelon. Mrs. Ula Cummins called at the Alva Cummins home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Swan were Sunday dinner guests of his grandmother, Mrs. Eva Denslow.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Miller and family and Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Wright were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Miller.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Thompson and Bill enjoyed Sunday dinner at Frankenmuth, and called on the George Pobocik family near

Grand Blanc. Bob Thompson spent Sunday with Tim Workman.

Jack Thompson and Mrs. Betty Thompson called on Mrs. Myrtle Pridgeon and Mrs. Deborah Benn Friday at Mt. Pleasant.

Mrs. Freda Miller, with Mrs. Mildred Hoffman and Mrs. Shirley Williams as co-hostesses, entertained Missionary Society of the Church of God of Barryton Thursday. Fourteen ladies were in attendance.

Mrs. Nora Dent was a Wednesday afternoon guest at the Gerald Dent home. Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Dent were Saturday overnight guests of the George Loomises of New Era. Mr. and Mrs. Harold Krueger and children were Saturday evening guests of her parents. Sunday guests were Thelma Scott, Maxine Shepherd and daughter, Michelle, and Larry Rescoe. Mr. and Mrs. Dent called on her mother, Mrs. Emily Wood, Sunday, and they spent Monday in Kalamazoo.

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**Two Rivers**

Blanche Carr, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Gatehouse and family visited Mr. and Mrs. Verne Foster Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Parsons and family of Midland were Sunday dinner guests at the Dwight Aungst home.

Blanche Carr spent the weekend at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Strahle in St. Johns, and visited her brother and family, the Ralph Hayeses, whose son, Rodney, is home on a 30-day furlough from Germany.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Gross and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Miller of Westphalia were Sunday guests of Mrs. Herman Martin and Raymond.

Mrs. Leona Courser, Mrs. Ella Cox and Mrs. Maude Johnston attended the Golden Wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Bunting at the Coomer Church Sunday. Janice Brown of Barryton was a weekend guest of Cindy Courser.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Bartholomew and his sister, Winifred, of New Jersey, were recent guests of the Jack Lieders and Mrs. Nettie Baker.

Mr. and Mrs. Dalton Rayborn of Belding spent the weekend with the Oral Buntings.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Krueger and family visited Mr. and Mrs. Gary Dutcher and Harold helped Gary on his house.

Blanche Carr was a Wednesday luncheon guest of Mrs. Lovica Krueger of Mt. Pleasant, and also called on Mrs. Elsie Aungst, Delia Greene, Bertha Clark and Gracie Smith at Pleasant Manor. She visited Mr. and Mrs. Don Swan also. Blanche was a Friday supper guest of Eva Denslow. Mrs. Ina Gillett had dinner with Blanche Thursday.

Tom Harvey suffered chest injuries in an automobile accident Sunday morning at 5.30 when he fell asleep at the wheel on the road near Bud Garrett's and his car rolled down a steep bank. He is home now.

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**In the Editor's Mail**

(Editor's Note: The following letter was enclosed with a get-well card to George Skinner, and we were overwhelmed by the kindness of this note.) Dear Connie:

I am Frank Fox's oldest daughter (C. Bierschbach's sister). I have been a devout fan of the Messenger ever since I saw my name there:

"Little Florence Fox is ill with pneumonia."

I can't tell you how many years ago!

We now have our future retirement home at 6893 S. Shore

Drive, Lake of the Hills, and I know we'll enjoy being back in the community once more.

Christine, her daughters and daughter-in-law, with their children, and our Rosemary with her seven children, spent a day here last week--29 persons in all.

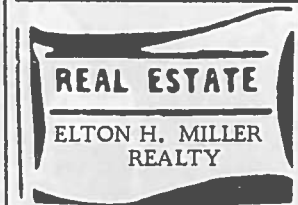
Sincerely,  
Florence Fox Hathaway.

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**NEWS NOTES**

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Holt and family of Mt. Pleasant and Mr. and Mrs. Russell Wilson and Mrs. Pat Hathaway were Saturday evening callers of Mrs. Nina Forbes.

Blanche Cliff returned home last Wednesday, after spending a week with relatives in Kentucky. Mrs. Jessie Schneider accompanied Blanche as far as Chicago, where Jessie took a plane for California and Blanche took one east, for Tri-Cities.

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**ELECTRICAL**--Contracting, residential and commercial. Call Lee Parker, ph. 644-3474. Sept. 4t4

**FAMILY RESTAURANT**--Weidman. Under new management. Open 7 a.m.-7 p.m. daily. Specials every day. Roosa Family. Try our meals. tf

**WATCH**--For Snomobile showing and Open House at Harry's Leonard Service Station in Weidman. New 1970 Boa-Skee snomobiles shown. Free donuts and coffee. Watch for date. Sept. 11t2

**BABY SITTING**--By day or hour. For sale, small bottle-gas heater. Mrs. Ida Bazaire, Weidman, ph. 644-2143. Sept. 18t1

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**FOR SALE**--Yellow mum plants, field grown, three for \$1.00. Bring your own containers. The Flower Shop, Weidman. Sept. 18t1

### Card of Thanks

I want to thank everyone for sending me flowers, cards and their prayers for my recovery from my burns, during my stay in the hospital at Ann Arbor and Mt. Pleasant.  
 You all helped a little girl get well. Thank you.  
 Paula Fussman

### Card of Thanks

I wish to express my thanks to all those who sent flowers, letters, cards, etc., while at Blodgett Hospital.  
 They were appreciated and always will be remembered.  
 Sincerely yours,  
 Oakley Dague

**RELATIVES CELEBRATE EDNA SCHULTZ'S BIRTHDAY**  
 Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Thompson and Mr. and Mrs. Anlotte and daughter of Alpena called on their aunt, Mrs. Edna Schultz, Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Ike Hampton and family of Benton Harbor spent the weekend with his mother. Sunday they all attended a reunion at Clare, honoring Mrs. Schultz's birthday, which is approaching. Family members and friends numbered 49, from Alpena, Elsie, Benton Harbor, Farwell, Mt. Pleasant, Houghton Lake, and Clare. Mrs. Jay Poet made a lovely birthday cake for the occasion.

**EXPIRATION DATES**--For subscriptions to the Weidman Messenger are printed each week to the right of your name and address. If you are in doubt as to when your paper runs out, look at that date; or if it's a local address, call us at 644-2000.

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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.  
 Sept. 17-19, Sunday School Conference at First Baptist in Mt. Pleasant.  
 Sept. 21, 7.30 p.m., film, "The Heavens Declare".  
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**WEIDMAN UNITED METHODIST**  
 Rev. Lawrence Smith, Pastor  
 Sunday School, 10 a.m.  
 Worship, 11 a.m.  
 Thursday afternoon, Sept. 18, McArthur Circle. Hostesses Ina Gillett and Vada Louisell.  
 Thursday evening, choir rehearsals.  
 Sunday, Sept. 21, noon Fellowship pot-luck dinner at the church. Also an afternoon of Open House at the parsonage. Many have stated that they have never seen the parsonage. Since there are two new churches on the circuit, Wimm and Coomer, the Smiths are inviting any who cares to, to come in and see where the parsonage is, and get acquainted with it.  
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**GILMORE CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
 George Getchel, Pastor  
 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.  
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**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.  
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**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.  
 Evening service, 6 p.m.

**REBEKAH CARD PARTY HAS SIX TABLES IN PLAY**  
 The regular Rebekah sponsored card party was held last Tuesday afternoon at their hall in Weidman, with six tables in play.  
 Prizes were won by Elizabeth Neubecker, Ruby Douglas, Hulda Stevens, with the door prize going to Gladys Wilson.  
 Lunch was served by the committee. The next party will be Sept. 23.  
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Gerald Johnson of Mt. Pleasant was a Sunday visitor of his mother, Mrs. Kit Johnson.

## Legal Notice

**ISABELLA COUNTY PROBATE COURT**  
 Mt. Pleasant, Michigan  
 Estate of VIOLA L. CURTISS, Deceased.  
 Petition of Ruth L. Worley praying her Final Account be allowed and residue of said Estate assigned to persons entitled thereto will be heard October 8th, 1969, at 10:00 A.M. at Probate Court.  
 Publication in Weidman Messenger. Court Rule Notice.  
 Dated August 29, 1969.  
 BURKE McCLINTIC  
 Judge of Probate  
 Attorney:  
 Stephen W. Fox  
 102 Hersee Bldg.  
 Mt. Pleasant, Michigan  
 Sept. 4t3

## Legal Notice

**ISABELLA COUNTY PROBATE COURT**  
 Mt. Pleasant, Michigan  
 Estate of ARCHIE McLEAN, Deceased.  
**THE COURT ORDERS:**  
 Interested persons may appear October 8, 1969, at 9:30 A.M. at Probate Court to show cause why George McClain should not be licensed to (sell) interest of estate in lands to pay administration expenses and distribution.  
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## N. Broomfield

Art Cook of Indiana brought his mother, Mrs. Mary Cook of Remus, to see Macey Cook during the past week. Other visitors included Ruth Diehm, Mrs. Frieda Manskee and Nettie Meissner, all of Detroit; Emma Middlesworth, Mildred Rhode and Minnie Rhode.

Other guests of Maycie were Mrs. Peter Diehm of Remus, Mr. and Mrs. Gail Strong of Ellwell.

Mrs. Herman Lueder is a patient at Ferguson Hospital in Grand Rapids.

The Carl Cooks spent the weekend in Detroit.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Emil Lueder were Sunday evening guests of Mrs. E. R. Rhode and Harold.  
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Jerry Bartlett of Lansing and friend, Jim Donahue, spent the weekend with Mrs. Lela Whearett and Don Clark. The two men played in a golf tournament at Clare. Mr. Bartlett is a nephew of Mrs. Whearett.

## Walker Creek News

Esther Stanley, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Otis Conley and Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Corby of Lake Thirteen returned home Friday night from their vacation and fishing trip, 25 miles northwest of Geraldton, Canada. They report good fishing and a wonderful time. Mr. and Mrs. Lee Favreau of Holland visited Mr. and Mrs. Conley Saturday evening.

Barry Conley and a group of friends left this weekend on a bear-hunting trip in the Upper Peninsula.

Mrs. George Clark underwent surgery Monday at CMC Hospital, and was still under sedation as we wrote this. Hope to hear you're better soon, Loretta!

Mrs. Kate Darnell of Barryton is spending this week with Mr. and Mrs. Otto Skalitzky. Mr. and Mrs. Donald Van Antwerp of south Remus visited at the Skalitzky home Sunday, and were luncheon guests.

Sp/4 Steven Voss left for Washington, D. C., Thursday to resume his duties at the Pentagon, driving his car back. Recent visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Voss and Stacey were their son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Voss, and Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Wilmot. Mrs. Voss took Stacey to Clare for a checkup Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Leiter of Hannah Lake were Saturday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Warren Leiter and family. Mr. and Mrs. Dale Leiter of Elk Rapids and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Loomis and family enjoyed a cook-out with Mr. and Mrs. Leiter and family Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Denslow visited her sister, Mrs. Wyona Risdon, at Blanchard, Sunday, and she went with them to visit cousins, Lynn Lowe and Lucy Ransburger, of Winn. Mrs. Ransburger suffered a heart attack recently.

Ralph Thompson returned home from CMC Hospital Thursday. He and his father, Hazen Thompson, visited Manley Oliver and Mrs. Marguerite Coleman of Remus Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Beutler and Mary were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Straus of east Weidman Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Fey Beutler of Holland were also dinner guests. They took their daughter, Nancy, to CMU, where she will attend college.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Smoke of North Branch were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Monroe and Blane. Blane spent Sunday afternoon with John Eldridge.

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

Theisen and family of Mt. Pleasant were Sunday dinner guests.

Mrs. Lou Gray and Mrs. Ray Geasler attended a pink and blue shower for the former's grandson's wife, Mrs. Michael Gray, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Duane Gray in Mt. Pleasant, Thursday. Mrs. Gary Portenga and her mother, Mrs. Clarence Ley, of Conklin, also attended. Mr. and Mrs. Portenga and family were Saturday overnight guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ley at Conklin, and Mr. and Mrs. Lou Gray joined them Sunday for a birthday dinner honoring Mrs. Gray and also Kimberly, who is five years old. Happy Birthday, Eva and Kim! Mrs. Portenga reported that lightning damaged their telephone Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Kirvan were Saturday evening callers of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Emmons and Eddie John.

Mrs. Mabel Cummings of Barryton visited Mr. and Mrs. Leo Denslow and Denise Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Otis Conley and Mr. and Mrs. Willis Finney and sons were also visitors.

Mrs. Ethel Bywater of Weidman visited Mrs. Ethel McLean Wednesday afternoon. Mrs. Mabel Allen visited Saturday afternoon and also she and Mrs. Ruth Gatehouse and Mrs. Barbara Theisen were Sunday afternoon visitors.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Phenix of Weidman visited Mr. and Mrs. Russell Stanley Thursday evening. Mr. Stanley helped Mr. Phenix pour cement for a foundation for a garage for Mr. and Mrs. Martin, on the east side of Walker Creek, where they will live in the near future, when he retires from work in Detroit.

Debbie, Darlene, Donna, Doris, Dawn and Deanna Pung spent the weekend with "Grandpa and Grandma Stanley". Their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Pung, were in the Upper Peninsula with Mr. and Mrs. Donald Stanley and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Andy Stanley and son, Leon, and nephew, Ronald, were Sunday dinner guests, bringing some delicious steak, which we consider a luxury nowadays.

Mr. and Mrs. David Moore and Debbie and Pamela of Lake Thirteen visited Sunday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Donald Pung and Dennis were callers, taking the girls home. Dennis stayed with his grandmother Pung over the weekend, as he had to care for his mother rabbit, which had nine babies this week.

Steven Stanley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Andy Stanley of Barryton, went to Mt. Pleasant Sunday afternoon, to CMU dormitory, where he will stay and begin studies this week.

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Mrs. Irma Kische and Mrs. Hermione Smith had Sunday dinner with the Don Smith family.

## Brinton News

Frances Beck, Reporter

Bert Estes was released from St. Mary's Hospital in Grand Rapids Monday evening, after undergoing surgery. His son, Bill, and wife, Pauline, went to Grand Rapids and took him back to the home of Mrs. Madelyn White, Route 2, Barryton. Doctors at the hospital said Bert was coming along fine, and could go back to Mrs. White's.

Hazel Carson of Wayne returned home Sunday after spending the week with Mr. and Mrs. Don Seymour and Frances Beck.

Richard Irish is now living on the farm he recently purchased from Lillie Maddox.

Emily Geasler and lady friend of Grand Rapids visited Mr. and Mrs. Ray Geasler Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Fosburg

and boys visited Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell Geasler and family East Lansing Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Baker were in Saginaw Wednesday where Mrs. Baker visited her eye doctor.

Mrs. Flossie Forbes returned home Saturday after a visit to her daughter, Mrs. Jack Forbes of Detroit.

Virgilene Forbes accompanied Joan Hummel to Saginaw Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Otis Geasler of Pontiac visited Carl and Ed Geasler and other relatives week.

The Brinton Sunday School held its picnic at the Cold Township Park Sunday.

Mrs. Whaley visited her mother, Mrs. Russell Sisco, and family, Sunday.

Why do Frances and Barney have the flower orders for most of the weddings in this area?

Because they give lovely brides flower arrangements that are the most beautiful of all.

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# BOWLING

CONTINENTAL LEAGUE  
Sept. 10, 1969

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Beal City Tavern	5	1
Wentworth IGA	4	2
Household Appliance	4	2
Coleman Furniture	4	2
Pabst Blue Ribbon	4	2
Lowery Northern	3	3
Weidman State Bank	3	3
Central Concrete	3	3
Giant Super Mkt.	3	3
Beal City Service	2	4
Schlitz Beer	1	5
Marchiando & Rau	0	6

High Team Series: Pabst Blue Ribbon 2967. High Team Game: Giant Super Mkt. 1029. High Indv. Series: Bob Lyon 586, Dale Lawens 565, Bill Fussman 547. High Indv. Game: Dale Lawens 234, Roy Adams 225, Bill Stewart 212.

GUYS & DOLLS  
Sept. 12

Bleise & Straus	7	1
Ecker & Chandonnett	7	1
McArthur & Anderson	6	2
Sharrar & Mattonnen	5	3
Thon & Blake	4	4
Foster & Moore	4	4
Nolte & Cook	4	4
Blehm & Moore	3	5
Bierschbach & Zill	3	5
Wilson & Lyon	2	6
Lawens & Pantenburg	2	6
Green & McConnell	1	7

High Team Series: Bleise & Straus 2435. High Team Game: Thon & Blake 852.

High Series, men: Bob Bleise 678, Bob Anderson 573, Percy Blake 554. High Game, men: Bob Bleise 248, 225, 205; Bob Anderson 222, Dale Lawens 222. Jack Taylor (sub) 255.

High Series, women: Leota Taylor (sub) 561, Mary Blake 505, Shirley Foster 457. High Game, women: Leota Taylor (sub) 200, 195; Sue Ecker 190, Mary Blake 176.

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## Beal City

Dora Smith, Reporter

### MRS. FRANK LAUBENTHAL DIES IN CADILLAC

Mrs. Frank Laubenthal, who died in Cadillac Monday night of last week, was buried Thursday.

Those from here attending the funeral were Mr. and Mrs. Tony Schafer, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Klumpp, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Grinzinger, Mrs. Louise Smith, Mrs. Joe Pung, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Pung, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Schafer, Will Pung, Howard Schafer, and Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Pung; and Dorothy Esch of Remus, Viola Nelson of Lansing, and Mary Swan of Mt. Pleasant.

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Tim Hauck, Steve Fox, Rick Yuncker, Randy Schafer and Bob Rau spent a few days on a trip to southern Michigan and Ohio.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Marchiando, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Zeien, Mr.

and Mrs. Jack Theisen and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Smith enjoyed a steak dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Hauck Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard McCrimmon had a house-warming Sunday afternoon for all their many friends. Everyone had a wonderful time.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Anderson and boys spent last Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Albert Anderson of Mt. Pleasant.

Mr. and Mrs. Rouf of Dearborn spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Philip Van Pelt here.

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

Mr. and Mrs. Terry Schafer and baby of Colorado are visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Schafer, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Pung will return to Niles, where he has employment. Tom was inducted into the Army but was given a year's deferment. They were looking for a house in Niles this week.

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

Roy Hauck, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hauck of Shepherd, was killed Friday night in a car accident.

Dan Bovin of Lansing spent last Thursday night and Friday morning with Louise Smith. Mr. and Mrs. Howard McNamara of Jackson were Friday callers. Mrs. Joe Keiffer and Mrs. George Keiffer spent Friday evening with her. John Doll, who died Saturday morning in Lansing, was the youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Doll, who used to have a store in Beal City years ago. He was a brother of Henry Doll, who lives in Clare.

Jim Schafer and family and Ada Andrews of Mt. Pleasant spent Sunday afternoon at the Allen Tilmann home.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Neubecker spent a few days last week at the home of their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Neubecker, in Milwaukee.

Mrs. Arnold Simmer and Elaine of Reed City stopped at the home of Louise Smith Sunday afternoon, on their way back from Mt. Pleasant, after taking her son, Harry, to the University to start the fall term.

Mrs. Raymond Andrews of Big Rapids called on Louise Smith Saturday.

Mrs. Ida Tilmann spent a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Tilmann and family in Mt. Pleasant.

Miss Gertrude Grodsky and Mrs. John Murphy and granddaughter of Mt. Pleasant called on Louise Smith Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Sunday and Mr. and Mrs. M. Fedewa of Portland called on Mr. and Mrs. Jack Schafer of Weidman, and Mrs. Joe Pung.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Kavanaugh spent Thursday evening with

Louise Smith.

Joe Fussman is home again after spending two weeks in the hospital with heart trouble.

Little Paula Fussman came home Friday night from CMC Hospital, where she had spent a week after spending a month in the hospital at Ann Arbor, for treatment of burns. She was feeling, fine, and recovered nicely.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Keiffer and Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Pung and Mr. and Mrs. George Keiffer attended the wedding of John Snider, son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Snider, at Remus Saturday. He married Elizabeth McClintock of Mecosta, in a very pretty wedding ceremony and scene.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Kremreiter and Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Sprague and girls had dinner with Mrs. Clara Fox Wednesday. The Spragues took their daughter, Mary, to CMU for the year, and daughter Jean to a university in Colorado. They will spend a week in Colorado.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Rau, Mrs. Gertrude Gross and Mrs. Clara Fox went to Grand Rapids Sunday afternoon to visit Mrs. Tillie Rau.

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Mrs. Kit Johnson spent from last Wednesday till Friday with the Tom Powell and Charles Johnson families of Mt. Pleasant.

## NorthWeidman

Elvah Gott, Reporter

### BIRTHDAY PARTY FOR DON ALWOOD, JR.

Classmates and neighbor children gathered at Mitchell Memorial Park to help Donny Alwood celebrate his ninth birthday Saturday afternoon.

Included in entertainment was an exciting ball game. Later the boys enjoyed cake, ice cream, potato chips and punch. Mrs. Lela Johnson made the cake, shaped like a ball field, with nine players on it.

They all had a good time. Donny received many nice gifts.

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Last week Friday visitors at the Don Alwood home were Irene Fisher of Lansing, Alice Burdette of Owosso, and Bina Armstrong of Harrison. They called on Mr. and Mrs. Bill Stewart also. The ladies tell us their father, Joe Schafer, is just about the same, after a stroke three years ago in July, and is at the same rest home.

Rusty Alwood and Eddie Kavanaugh spent the weekend home from their pipeline jobs out of a Bay City office.

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MR. AND MRS. JESSE BUNTING HELD OPEN HOUSE--For their Golden Wedding anniversary Sunday, at the Coomer United Methodist Church. An overflow crowd of friends and relatives attended. Delicious refreshments were served. Mr. and Mrs. Bunting received many beautiful gifts. Several former ministers of the Coomer church were present to observe the happy occasion.

## Sailor Given Navy Commendation Medal

Dean A. Brown, a graduate of Barryton High School, was one of nine crewmen of the aircraft carrier LeMoore to receive Navy Commendation Medals for his action on January 14, 1969.

On that date the nuclear carrier, USS Enterprise, was devastated by fire. The tragedy near Honolulu, one of the worst since World War II, claimed 28 lives, including one from the LeMoore.

Brown, who manned hose lines while the ship's deck was an inferno, also defused a 500-pound bomb and threw the detonator into the sea.

Brown remembers the terror on the Enterprise as "40 minutes that seemed like four hours."

He recalls the grimly humorous aspect of defusing the bomb, while his crew-mates hosed down

its hot casing: In the tense, final moments, when the bomb could have gone off in his fingers, each crewmate took an instinctive step backward, "As if that would have helped if the bomb exploded," he chuckled.

Brown graduated from Barryton High School in 1965 and attended Ferris State College until he enlisted in the Navy in December of 1966. He took his advanced training at the Naval Aviation School in Jacksonville, Florida.

His first tour of duty in Vietnam was from June 1967 to December of the same year on the USS Constellation, with the Blue Diamonds under Commander Dunn.

While the Constellation crew was on R&R, the USS Forrestal

was damaged by fire and the Constellation replaced it in Vietnam within a few hours.

Brown was next transferred to the VA-215 (LeMoore) which came to the aid of the burning Enterprise.

Brown, his wife Dianne, and two sons, Terry Paul, 3, and Stacy, 1½ months, are now living at 9624 - 19½, LeMoore, California. His parents are Mr. Mrs. Harris Brown of Lake.

While on leave, following the awarding of the medal, the couple have been visiting in Colorado, where they intend to make their home upon Dean's discharge October 1, 1969.

They plan to visit Dean's parents and Dianne's mother, Mrs. Nada McWilliams of Barryton, during the Christmas season.

### Local Items

Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Kirvan of Pontiac, Elsie Bolinger of Grand Ledge, Irene Caulkins of Rosebush, and Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Kirvan of Flint, Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Dent, and Mrs. Ethel Clouse of Remus were visitors of Mrs. Emily Wood during last week.

Mrs. Mary McCarthy left Monday for Alma to visit her daughter, after spending six weeks with Mrs. Emma Middlesworth here.

Mr. and Mrs. Gale Brien of Shepherd and Mrs. Ron Littell and children of Ithaca were Sunday afternoon callers of Mrs. Nina Forbes.

Mrs. Ruth Blesch and daughter, Jo, of Barryton, were Saturday evening dinner guests of Mrs. Emma Middlesworth and Mary McCarthy.

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**Local Items**

Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Embrey and family and Mrs. Mary Clark of Mt. Pleasant had Sunday dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Richard Embrey of Lansing. Mr. and Mrs. Carl Embrey were Saturday overnight guests of the Richard Embreys. The occasion was the birthdays of Brian Embrey and Mrs. Clark. Daisy made a beautiful birthday cake for the birthdays.

The Clare Oberlins have returned to their home in Lansing, after spending most of the summer at their mobile home here.

Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Crider of Lansing spent some time at their trailer home here. They had been in Florida, where they visited Joe Kane and wife.

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**S. W. Sherman**

Goldie Dutcher, Reporter  
**THEY ENJOYED A VISIT TO THE STRAITS**

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Dutcher of Breckenridge had lunch with the Clayton Dutchers Thursday. Then the Clayton and Earl Dutchers headed North.

They rented a cabin at Carp Lake, eight miles this side of the Straits of Mackinac. They had their supper Thursday night, then drove up to the bridge to see the lights.

They spent Friday at the cabin, and Saturday morning they packed their lunch and drove across the bridge, which was the first time for the Earl Dutchers, as Earl had been sick so much the past several years.

They went up to the Soo Locks and watched five boats go through the locks, ate their lunch at a nice park beside the locks, and spent the afternoon, returning back to Carp Lake in time for supper.

They returned home Sunday, stopping at Houghton Lake and having dinner with the Eldon Dutcher family.

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Mrs. Dale Gatehouse took their son, Bobby, to the doctor Monday for x-rays. He had fallen and hurt his head. The x-rays showed he has a skull fracture.

The Robert Dutchers and the Richard Dutchers were Sunday evening callers of the Clayton Dutchers.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Wernette and Cindy of Greenville visited the Ervin Dutcher, Jr., family Sunday. Steve and Sandra Dutcher spent the forenoon with them.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Gatehouse and family called on the Verne Fosters Sunday evening.

Mrs. Edna Merrihew, Mrs. Marion Beutler and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher attended Busy Bees at the home of Claribel Beutler in Weidman Thursday afternoon. There were 11 in attendance.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Mort of Farwell were Sunday afternoon

callers of the Howard Beutlers. Mrs. Mort is district president of the WSCS.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Dutcher called on the Ervin Dutchers Sunday afternoon. The Robert Hineses and Floyd Dutcher spent Saturday evening with them. Mr. and Mrs. Alan Block and children of Mt. Pleasant were Sunday afternoon guests.

Mr. and Mrs. John Maeder and Paula Abbott and son called on the Bill Maeders Sunday. They all called on the Harry Gatehouses in the afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Sander-son of St. Charles spent Saturday over night and Sunday with the Howard Beutlers. The Clyde Beutlers spent Sunday evening with them.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Merrihew and Julia and Meg spent Saturday with his folks, the Orrie Merrihews, and Orval. Their daughter, Christie, was with her other grandmother.

Mr. and Mrs. George Merrihew and the Clarence Chaffee family attended the lawn party at the home of the Chris Comstocks Sunday. Orval Merrihew attended in the afternoon. Over 60 family members attended.

Linda Hardenburgh spent from Thursday till Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Leward Smith. Judy Hardenburgh spent Sunday with them.

Ward Dell had Sunday dinner with Emory Dell and the Harry Hardenburghs.

Ervin Dutcher called on Orrie Merrihew Friday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. George Loomis of New Era called Saturday and Sunday on the Garry Dutcher family.

Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher called Tuesday on the George Merrihews. Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Kirvan of Pontiac, Mr. and Mrs. George Bolinger of Grand Ledge and Mrs. Florence Hoffman were Thursday callers.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dutcher and children of Midland spent Saturday and Sunday with the Garry Dutchers, helping him put a roof on his house. Harold Krueger and Dick Dutcher helped Saturday. Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Harold Krueger and family, Doug Struble, Ken McDaniel, Walt Nelson, Jim McDaniel and Dick Dutcher were all helping.

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**Local Items**

Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Middlesworth and children of Holt were Saturday callers of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Donley and family.

Rev. and Mrs. Lawrence Smith were Friday evening dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Rescoe.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Donley were host and hostess to their bridge club Sunday evening, with two tables in play.

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**Beal City Reduces Millage**

The Beal City Board of Education recently reduced the millage rate for the 1969-70 year. The rate will be reduced from 2.5 mills to 1.9 mills.

The original rate was established in the 1960 Bond issue. The rate was reduced in a special board meeting held recently.

When the proposed 1969 bond issue was voted on it was estimated that it would take a levy of 6.2 mills to meet the issue obligations. With the increased state equalized valuation it is possible for the school to lower the millage rate to cover the issue.

The school district will operate on 13 voted mills for operation, eight county allocated mills for operation, 1.9 from debt retirement from the 1960 bond issue and 4.5 from the 1969 bond issue.

**ALASKAN HUNTING PARTY RETURNS WITH TROPHIES**

An Alaskan hunting party that included Dr. E.H. Kowaleski of Remus returned last week, with wonderful trophies.

Dr. Kowaleski "got everything he went for," including a grizzly bear.

**MRS. LIZA LOSEY IN CMC HOSPITAL, MT. PLEASANT**

Among those admitted Monday of this week to CMC Hospital was Mrs. Liza Losey, who recently observed her 101st birthday.

Mrs. Mary Cook of rural Remus also was admitted.

Luke Cotter of Gilmore was released.

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MR. AND MRS. THOMAS PUNG

Gloria Schafer became the bride of Thomas Pung at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Beal City Aug. 2.

Rev. Edward Neubecker officiated at the double-ring ceremony, before an altar decorated with yellow gladiolus. Organist Mrs. Ben Weber and the Parish Choir furnished the wedding music.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward A. Schafer of Beal City. The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Pung, also of Beal City.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a gown of silk organza over peau de soie, with chapel train detailed with lace medallions and sea pearls, and wedding-bell sleeves. Her shoulder-length veil was held in place by a Dior bow and sea-pearl headpiece.

She carried a cascade arrangement of yellow sweetheart roses and ivy.

Vickie Schafer, sister of the bride, was the maid of honor. Christy Pung and Joann Clevenger were bridesmaids. Flower girl was Joy Grinzinger.

The attendants wore gowns of pale yellow dotted Swiss, full-length, Empire-styled, with bell sleeves. The flower girl wore a gown of white dotted Swiss. They carried baskets of yellow daisies.

George Schafer was best man. Ron Schafer and Rick Barz were groomsmen. Ushers were Jim Engler and John Sheppard.

The bride's mother wore a pink dress, with a corsage of yellow sweetheart roses. The mother of the bridegroom wore a mint-green dress, with a corsage of yellow sweetheart roses.

A dinner for 100 guests was held at the K. of C. Hall in Beal City immediately following the ceremony.

A reception was also held at the K. of C. Hall. Marilyn Courtright cut the wedding cake, which was made by the groom's father. Beverly Schafer attended the guest book.

Guests were present from Flint, Detroit, Saginaw, St. Johns, Clare, Lansing, Weidman, and Mt. Pleasant.

#### MRS. GEITMAN TRANSFERRED TO ALMA HOSPITAL

Mrs. Clarence Geitman, who suffered very serious burns in a gas explosion at her home here recently, was transferred from Harper Hospital in Detroit to the Gratiot Community Hospital at Alma last Monday.

She has been hospitalized over a month.

Mr. Geitman, who suffered minor burns on his hands and arms, is rebuilding the house, which was wrecked in the explosions and fire.

Mrs. Geitman is in Room 102 at Gratiot Community Hospital, Alma, Mich. 48801.

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#### JUDGE RULES IN FAVOR OF ALLENS IN CIRCUIT COURT SUIT

Circuit Court Judge Robert H. Campbell handed down his opinion Sept. 5 in the case of Constance Roe Skinner vs. Ivan and Alton Allen, ruling totally and completely in favor of the Allens.

Attorney for the Allens was Jack Lynch. Attorney for Constance Roe Skinner was David E. Burrows.

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#### McCLAINS HAVE SPECIAL SHOWING OF NEW CARS

McClain Chevrolet Sales and Service at Barryton are holding Open House next Thursday, Friday and Saturday, Sept. 25, 26 and 27, to show the new 1970 models of the Chevrolet lines.

They are inviting all friends and interested persons to visit their show rooms, and are offering door prizes, and coffee and cookies.

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#### NEWS NOTES

Mrs. Helen Cook of Kalamazoo was a Sunday guest of her mother, Mrs. Vera Hagerman. She was accompanied by her two daughters, Julie and Lynn. They had dinner at The Embers in Mt. Pleasant.

Mr. and Mrs. R.D. Sprague were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Looman of Cedar Springs. Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Dent of Farwell were evening callers of the Spragues and Mrs. Bessie Teall.

#### GILMORE FARM BUREAU MEETS WITH FORDYCES

Pioneer Farm Bureau of Gilmore Township met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Egbert Fordyce Sept. 8. A short business session was conducted by Chairman Wm. L. Phillips.

Fifteen members were present, and two visitors, Sharon and Terry Pitts.

The next regular meeting will be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Claude Fordyce Oct. 13.

Mrs. Olive Irwin led us in discussion on the topic, "Cuba-- Communist Threat". She also surprised our secretary, Laura Cook, with a brand-new briefcase.

Our recreation leader read a questionnaire which challenged our listening and thinking, to the delight of everyone.

Our hostess served a chicken and noodle dinner, plus potluck, prior to the meeting.

Farm Bureau Reporter  
Mrs. Wm. L. Phillips

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#### NEWS NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Sprague and Jean and Mary of Lansing were last Wednesday callers of Mr. and Mrs. R.D. Sprague. They brought Mary to start her Sophomore year at CMU. The Alfred Spragues left next day on a Western trip. They took Jean to a college in Denver, Colo., to get her Master's degree. All three of their children are in college this year.

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