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Editor's Column

By Connie

HERE'S A COUPLE OF GOOD SUGGESTIONS

Our brother-in-law, Barney Tranbarger, has asked us to include a couple of suggestions he would like to make to the general public on two non-related subjects.

First, he wishes that people who dial a number on the phone would let the phone ring at least six times before hanging up, as the person being called may be unable to get to the phone immediately.

The person being called could be anywhere in the house (or at this season, out of doors), as for instance in the kitchen with her hands in sudsy dishwater; or (you guessed it!) in the bathroom, and we're certain everybody has experienced this last frustrating situation. (You do the very best you can to get out of the bath room and to the phone, but nine times out of ten, the last ring sounds just as you grab the receiver--and click! That's the caller giving up and putting back his receiver, just as you have busted your neck to get there.)

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WE DEDICATE THIS ISSUE OF THE MESSENGER TO DR. RONDOT, GOOD AND FAITHFUL PHYSICIAN OF THE OLD DAYS OF SHERMAN CITY AND THIS AREA



DR. RONDOT WAS SITTING ALONE--When the Dents arrived at Villa Maria in Windsor to see him. Missing is the small mustache we all remember, but after one gets used to that, he's the same old Dr. Rondot. He was reading a newspaper when the party arrived, and he recognized them at once.

The Dents made the trip last Wednesday. Dr. Rondot's birthday was April 14.



HE HAD A GOOD VISIT WITH THEM--As shown in the above photo by the Dents. Here he was talking with Gerald and Mabel, probably telling him about his old typewriter he had at Sherman City--which he still has at Windsor.

Men in Uniform

Sp/4 K. C. Charnes is stationed near Frankfurt, Germany. He arrived there a couple of weeks ago. He was waiting assignment at last word. His address:

Sp/4 K. C. Charnes, 1st Maint. Bn., UARG, APO New York 09166.

If you are writing him, you are supposed to put his box number on the back of the envelope. The number is 205.

Sp/4 Thomas Flower was expected to arrive this week or next, after his tour of duty in Germany. He will be discharged May 1. ---0---

MORE MEMORIES OF DR. RONDOT'S SERVICE AS SHERMAN CITY DOCTOR

Many families in this area will have memories of Dr. Rondot's service as physician of Sherman City. He was the most faithful --and successful--healer most families ever knew.

He used to walk from his office in Sherman City to the Champlain home at Six Lakes, west of Weidman, seven miles;

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MRS. AUSTIN DENT TOOK THIS PICTURE--Of the group except herself. There's Austin Dent at left, Mabel Dent, Evelyn Roberts, and Gerald Dent, with Dr. Rondot gazing without humor at the camera. He is doing very well for age 100, they reported. He may start a sentence in English and end it in French, and he remembers Doc Kelsey but forgets some other old-timers around here; but when you and we are a hundred years old, we should do so good!



DAVID WAYNE SMITH

David Wayne Smith has been announced as Valedictorian of the Wolverine Community High School graduating Class of 1970 for leading his class in scholarship for the four-year period. David has a 3.51 scholastic average.

He is graduating at age 17, and he plans to enter CMU next fall to take up courses in business administration.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Smith of Wolverine, and the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Smith of Weidman and Marshall Lowery of Barryton.

Naturally, we are all proud of this fine young man, and we can claim him as ours by relation to our Weidman folks.

Editor's Column

By Connie

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The other suggestion Barney has is a good one; and while we have always practiced it (having been an old maid and timid), we heartily recommend it to the general public.

When you're passing a car, or rather, when you're about to pass a car, give your horn a small toot, to let the driver ahead know you're going around him.

Don't produce a blast on your horn; just give it a little tunk! to let the other guy know you're there.

The same suggestion is good for drivers nearing kids on bicycles.

Don't wait until you're on the kids, and don't give out a blast on your horn. But do, when you begin to near them, give a light beep to let the youngsters know there's a car behind them, or coming toward them, so they can collect their young wits and decided which side of the road they'll choose while you pass.

Above all, don't blare out a horn blast right on the kids. It will panic them, and of course this is worse than not calling their attention to you at all.

Give them plenty of distance

and a light tap on the horn, and you'll find that kids on bicycles, while the terror of most motorists, won't be half the problem they are if surprised by a sudden appearance of a car.

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DR. RONDOT: A LEGEND OF THE SHERMAN CITY AREA

Many families in Sherman and Coldwater Townships have cherished tales of the valor and determination of Dr. Rondot of Sherman City. Dr. Rondot celebrated his 100th birthday last week, and memories of his visits to snowbound homes around here are vivid.

He answered all calls, which were mainly house-calls. He had a faithful mare that took him and his sleigh in winter as far as a horse could wade the drifts, and then Doc would continue on his way, on snowshoes.

Time of day or night did not matter. He visited many a family in the early hours of morning, at midnight, at 10 p.m., or of course in the daytime.

He was a good and effective doctor, too, as many will testify in the area.

Gerald Dent tells of the time when he was eight years old and suffered appendicitis. It was wintertime, of course (many crucial illnesses seemed to occur in winter), and Dr. Rondot diagnosed Gerald's illness correctly at the Dent home, but he wanted the small boy to be taken to a hospital for surgery.

The roads were blocked with snow, however, and Gerald's parents could not get out to take him to a hospital (probably at Big Rapids, in those days).

After a couple of days' illness, Gerald had a burst appendix, considered fatal in those days before antibiotics.

Dr. Rondot treated him as best a doctor could without surgery, visiting him every night after all his rounds to other patients; he went on snowshoes, sometimes arriving at the Dent home at 2 or 3 o'clock in the morning.

He pulled the eight-year-old Gerald Dent through. After Gerald was married he went to a hospital for surgery, and doctors were mystified at the fact that he had no sign of an appendix.

Dr. Rondot, on hearing of this, remembered that burst appendix in an eight-year-old boy, and figured out the mystery, accounting for the absence of an appendix in a grown man, years after the boy's burst appendix caused so much anxiety and attendance.

Dr. Rondot brought Gerald Dent into the world. Austin, his older brother, did not come into the world with Dr. Rondot's attendance, as his mother said Dr. Rondot was "new" in Sherman City at that time, and she'd rather have a known physician.

Dr. Rondot was also in attendance at the birth of Gerald's wife

Mabel (Kirvan), and also for Gerald and Mabel's daughters, Evelyn and Geraline. A first baby, Virginia, died.

Last Wednesday the Austin and Gerald Dents and daughter, Evelyn Roberts, asked Dr. Rondot, during their visit, if he had had many attending his birthday party April 12.

"Oh, yes," Dr. Rondot said, "over 200 came to see me, some from California."

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SPECIAL SPEAKER AT SUNDAY SERVICES

During the Sunday morning worship service, the Weidman and Coomer United Methodist Churches had a special speaker, Rev. Kenneth Oster, of Cedar Lake.

He spoke on the use of drugs and alcohol. He told some of his experiences as a missionary in the Middle East, and drug abuse there.

He pointed out ways youths

may escape the snare of drugs in their lives.

Following the worship service, many enjoyed a Fellowship dinner.

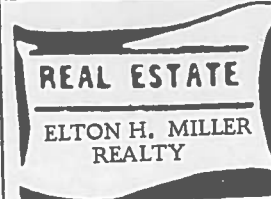
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NEWS NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. Spike Branson and Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Welch of near Winn spent the weekend at Nashville, Tenn., attending Grand Ole Opry. They enjoyed the show immensely, and report that a new Opry House will be built there in the near future.

Emma Middlesworth spent last Wednesday afternoon and evening with Ruth Blesch and Jo Alkover in Barryton.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Kirvan of Grand Rapids, Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Kirvan and Mr. and Mrs. John Pyle and son of Flint, and Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Kirvan of Pontiac, and Mrs. Thelma Johnson of Remus, were visitors of Mrs. Emily Wood during last week.



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 Apr. 16t12p

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 Mar. 26t1

Card of Thanks

Lela Whearett and Donald Clark wish to thank neighbors and friends, the Weidman Eastern Stars, the Methodist WSCS, and all who sent the lovely cards and good wishes to their mother, Bertha Clark, during her illness.
 Your good wishes are greatly appreciated.

Card of Thanks

I wish to thank personally all the players and spectators, and all who helped in any way in the basketball-game series en-

joyed by the Chippewa Hills Community League this past winter.

I really enjoyed my job as coach, and Margie enjoyed hers as women's coach also.

Thank you.

Jerry Horstman

EAST Coldwater

Esther Skinner, Reporter

BIRTHDAY PARTIES AT THE BOGER HOME

Mrs. Maggie Boger held a birthday dinner Friday honoring her husband, Martin. Those present included Mr. and Mrs. Earl Geasler, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Geasler, and Mr. and Mrs. Payton Geasler. The occasion was also in observance of five family birthdays in April, for the group present.

On Saturday evening another birthday dinner was held at the Boger home, honoring Martin. Present were Mr. and Mrs. Harry Herman, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Herman and baby, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Turnbull and boys of Lansing, Mr. and Mrs. William Estes. The birthday of young Timmy Turnbull was also honored.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Olger and baby called on her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Murray, of Blanchard, and also on Mr. and Mrs. Ed Olger, Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Olger called on Mr. and Mrs. Jim Latham Sunday afternoon. The Lathams called on the Olgers Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Lofgren were in Flint Sunday, and had dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Al Blodgett and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Danny Connors of Big Rapids called on her parents Friday. Danny Connors, Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Olger and Mr. and Mrs. Dale Olger called on Mr. and Mrs. Dale Letson of Mt. Pleasant.

Alice Powell called on Mr. and Mrs. Martin Boger Monday evening.

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MRS. PENNOYER BURIED HERE
 Eva Pennoyer was buried Tuesday afternoon with services in the Weidman Church of the Nazarene and burial in Fairview Cemetery. She was born in 1897 in Weidman, and she and her husband bought the Ralph Turnbull house. He died soon after.

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BETTER THAN A LETTER

SEPTIC TANKS CLEANED--Also tanks for sale. Electric tape to clean out tile lines. Back hoe. Griffith Sanitary Service, Blanchard, Mich., ph. 561-4521, or call Don Smith, Weidman, ph. 644-2224.

April 23t4p

the Churches

WEIDMAN BAPTIST CHURCH
 (1 mile west of Weidman)
 Rev. Marvin Eldridge, Pastor
 Sunday School, 10 a.m.
 Preaching, 11 a.m.
 Choir practice, 6.45 p.m.
 Evening Bible Study, 7.30 p.m.

Prayer Meeting Wednesday, 7.30 p.m.
 April 26, Sunday, Hymn Sing at Lake, 7.30 p.m.
 April 27, Monday, roller skating, 7.30 p.m.

WEIDMAN UNITED METHODIST CIRCUIT: WEIDMAN, WINN AND COOMER
 Pastor, Lawrence R. Smith
 Weidman Worship, 11 a.m.
 Weidman Church School, 10 a.m.

Winn Worship, 9 a.m.
 Coomer Worship, 9 a.m.
 Weidman Choir rehearsal Thursday evening, 7.30.

Thursday, 2.30 p.m., WSCS (Esther-McArthur groups) will meet.

Saturday evening, 7 o'clock, Methodist Men's meeting. Host, Larry Rescoe. Program: A film will be shown.

Monday evening, April 27, 8 o'clock, in the Weidman United Methodist Church, a cancer film will be shown. This is a film for the public, sponsored by the Cancer Society. Do come!

BRINTON CHAPEL

Norman Brines, Pastor
 Sunday School, 10 a.m.
 Church, 11 a.m.

Thursday, youth meeting, 5.30 p.m.
 Choir practice, 7 p.m.
 Prayer meeting, 7.30 p.m.
 Second Sunday of each month, evening services at 7.30 p.m.

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.

GILMORE CHURCH OF CHRIST
 George Getchel, Minister
 Located six miles south of Farwell.

Morning Worship, 9.30 a.m.
 Bible School, 10.30 a.m.
 Youth Hour, 6 p.m.
 Evening Worship, 7.30 p.m.

WEIDMAN CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

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 Donald D. Wolfgang, Sr., Pastor. Telephone 644-3604.
 Morning Worship, 11 a.m.
 Sunday School, 10 a.m.
 Youth Service, 6.45 p.m.
 Evening Preaching, 7.30 p.m.
 Wednesday prayer meeting, 7.30 p.m.

JUNIOR BAND RECEIVES HIGH RATING

The Junior Band of the Chippewa Hills Schools, under direction of Jim Yarrick, received highest rating possible at Muskegon Saturday, a One rating.

They were competing with schools throughout the state.

Seventeen Junior High bands from around the state were competing and only four of these schools received a final rating of One.

The band gives a remarkable performance, under the very fine direction of James Yarrick, Junior High Band instructor at Weidman.

Parents of the band students are urging the public to "come and see for yourselves" at the Spring Concert Sunday afternoon, May 3, at the Weidman gym.

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Central Gilmore

Lola Fordyce, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Millard Pitts of Florida spent the weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Pitts. Mrs. Pitts was called home by a death in the family.

The Young People of the Gilmore church went to Alma Monday night to attend a Youth Rally. The Father and Son Banquet will be held Friday evening at 6.30, at the Gilmore Church.

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BETTER THAN A LETTER

Around Horr

Jessie Rosencrantz, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Dent attended a union meeting at the University Inn at Lansing Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Dent called at the Harold Krueger home Saturday, to help celebrate Brian's birthday. In the evening they called on the Walter Kirvans at Barryton. Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Johnson and children were Sunday guests of their parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Dutcher of Breckenridge were Sunday afternoon callers at the Charlie Losey home.

Mrs. Earl Oplinger attended an NFO meeting at Carson City Saturday.

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

Mrs. Thelma Johnson was a Saturday caller of Mrs. Eva Denslow. Mr. and Mrs. Orlan Denslow of St. Clair were Sunday dinner guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Mack Denslow had all their children home for Sunday dinner.

Visitors of Mrs. Flora Wood during the week were Mrs. Verlia Wilcox, Mrs. Thelma Johnson, and Mrs. Mildred Edgars of Lakeview.

Wilbur and Jim Wright and Paul Miller visited Mrs. Miller at Ferguson Hospital in Grand Rapids Sunday, and found her coming along fine.

Sunday dinner guests at the Gerald Losey home were Mr. and Mrs. Al Cochran and Mickey,

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Chapman, and Charlene Gross. Afternoon callers were Mr. and Mrs. Al Gross and Amy, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Gross and boys, Mr. and Mrs. Steve Jackson, and Mr. and Mrs. Howard Jackson and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Losey and Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Chapman attended the wedding and reception for Mr. and Mrs. Mike Jackson Friday evening.

Mrs. Marilyn Losey, Mrs. Agnes Fox, Mrs. Bea Gross and Mrs. Susie Chapman were Saturday luncheon guests of Mrs. Sandy Straznac of Spring Lake. In the afternoon they all attended the Junior High Band state festival at Muskegon.

Mrs. Blanche Carr was a Thursday afternoon and supper guest of Jessie Rosencrantz, and also called on Hattie Losey.

Mr. and Mrs. Myrl Scott were Friday afternoon callers of Mrs. Nettie Lawrence. Jessie Rosencrantz was a Sunday dinner guest.

Mrs. Joyce Geasler and Mrs. Margaret Denslow were Grand Rapids shoppers Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Den Denslow and children were Sunday evening callers of his mother, Mrs. Denslow.

Mr. and Mrs. Benn Johnson and children enjoyed Sunday dinner at Frankenmuth.

Mrs. Betty Thompson and a group of ladies from the Methodist Church at Remus went to Grand Rapids and toured the Clark Memorial Home, the Day Center, and a home for girls, which is supported by the United

Methodist Church.

Mrs. Thompson attended the Chippewa Hills orchestra concert Friday evening at Remus.

Mr. and Mrs. Austin Dent and Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Dent and daughter, Mrs. Evelyn Roberts, drove to Windsor, Ont., last Wednesday to visit Dr. Rondot who celebrated his 100th birthday last week. They had a wonderful visit with Dr. Rondot, but said they were greatly relieved to be back out of Windsor and Detroit, which seemed grimy and dismal. "Lansing looked so clean and beautiful!" they said.

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Local Items

Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Sprague and girls were dinner and supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Sprague Sunday.

Mildred Tompkins returned to Barryton Monday, after spending the winter with Blanche Clifff.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Smith and Jim and Fred Lueder spent Sunday at Rifle River, fishing for suckers. They reported no luck.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Pitts and family were Sunday dinner guests of the Ben Graham family of Farwell.

Mrs. Hermione Smith had Sunday dinner with the Don Smith family.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Beutler, Josephine Alkover and Mrs. Clyde Beutler attended Friends Night of the Mt. Pleasant Eastern Stars Saturday evening.

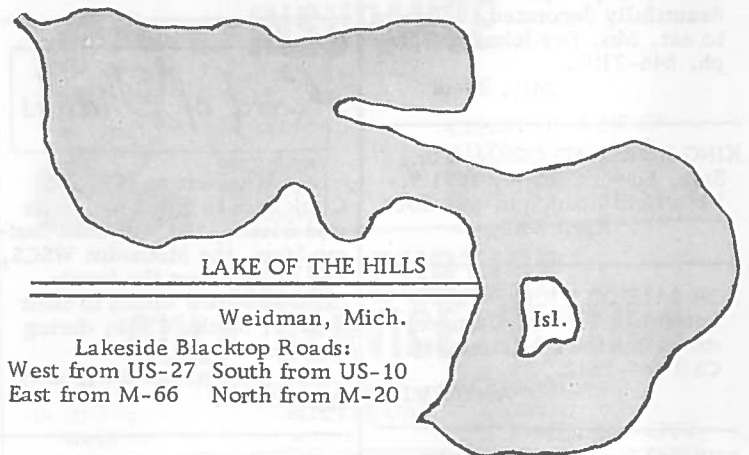
Beulah Scott of Mt. Pleasant spent an evening last week with Emma Middlesworth.

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Beal City

Dora Smith, Reporter

BEAL CITY SENIOR CITIZENS HAVE 19 1/2 TABLES IN PLAY

At the regular card party last Thursday at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Beal City, the Senior Citizens had 19 1/2 tables of pepper in play. People come from all parts of the county for the Beal City card parties.

First prize for men was won by Joe Lawens, with Isadore Schaffer winning second.

First prize for the ladies went to Mrs. Mary Otterbine of Mt. Pleasant, second by Katie Gross.

The door prize was won by Mrs. Otterbine. Pepper prize went to Mrs. Ed Block.

On the lunch committee were Cecilia Simmer, Matie Pung, Effie Schaffer, Mae Fussman, and Philomena Tilmann.

The next card party at Beal City will be Thursday afternoon, April 30, at the K. C. Hall.

Miss Regina Faber called on Louise Smith Monday afternoon. Mrs. Fuller and her sister of Pontiac were Tuesday afternoon visitors. Mr. and Mrs. Walter Rau and Ginger Rau called Saturday. Irene Zeien was a Wednesday evening visitor.

Billy Smith was taken to the Mt. Pleasant hospital Wednesday morning, April 15.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Blasen and children called on relatives around Beal City Saturday evening.

The Bernie Raus hosted a fish fry for some of their friends Friday evening.

Ida Tilmann had company over the weekend.

The Knights of Columbus members enjoyed a euchre tournament party at the K. C. Hall Saturday evening. Everyone reported a good time.

Mrs. Bob Pung took Mrs. Joe Pung to Midland to her doctor for a checkup Tuesday.

Mrs. Louise Schaffer is home while her employer, Joe Schuller, is in CMC Hospital.

Sister Marie Alexander of Santa Maria, New Mexico, is visiting her father, Peter Schaffer.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Schaffer motored to Chicago Tuesday to attend a convention. They returned home Friday.

Mrs. Charles Cutler took care of the Schafers' children while they were away.

The Nottawa and Sherman Volunteer Fire Department was called out to the Jerry Schaffer home last Thursday to extinguish a grass fire.

Mr. and Mrs. Milo Eldred and Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Schaffer of Winn called on Mr. and Mrs. Tony Schaffer Saturday evening.

A House-warming party was held in the new home of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Pohl Friday

evening. Everyone reported a wonderful time.

William Pung went to Midland Tuesday for a medical checkup.

Mrs. Donald McIntyre came and stayed with her father, John Reihl, for three days, and attended the wedding of her niece, Linda Reihl, Friday evening with reception at the K. of C. Hall.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Reihl are the proud parents of a baby girl, born April 18.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Smith and family of Big Rapids spent the weekend with Mrs. Bill Smith while Bill is in the hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Tony Tilmann had company Sunday afternoon.

The bans of matrimony were announced for the first time Sunday for Thomas Hutchinson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Hutchinson, and Donna Schaffer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Schaffer.

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Coldwater Lake

Marjorie Schaffer, Reporter

Hi:

News time again!

Sorry to hear Pete Lorenz is in the Clare Hospital.

Monday evening Gordon and Ardith Gilroy of Mt. Pleasant, Andy and Grace Beck, Jerome and Virginia Beck, and Charles and Evelyn Ludwig were visitors at our house.

Dellie Wischmeyer was around Tuesday, taking up a collection for the cancer drive.

We heard at Beal City Wednesday night there was a fire at our brother Jerry Schaffer's home. It was a grass fire, but was out when we got there.

We then called at the Glen Brown home and had a nice visit with them. Their son, Dave, and wife were also visitors.

Our daughter, Ruth Ann, and husband, Wayne Sherlock, and children of Traverse City came down Sunday for a visit.

Sunday evening Ed and I called on Jack and Vera McKenzie. We had a real nice visit, and Vera showed us some home movies of their visit to Florida last year, and their grandchildren.

Sorry to hear the McKenzies' daughter-in-law of Grand Ledge is still in the hospital.

Guess that's all for this week.

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Local Items

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Pitts and family and Nancy and Doug Goudie and Doug Kennedy attended a Great Lakes Bible College Choir concert at the St. Louis Church of Christ Sunday evening. Miss Mona Pitts, daughter of the Bernard Pittses, is a member of the choir, and returned home with her parents for Sunday night.

BETTER THAN A LETTER

Two Rivers

Blanche Carr, Reporter

Mrs. Annabelle Ehnis and lady friend of Dexter were Saturday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Verne Foster.

Mrs. Clair Letson and children of Lake were Saturday guests of Mrs. Florence Harvey.

Mrs. Ray Flaughner visited her sister, Mrs. Laura Latham, Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Swan and son and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Cole and daughter were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Swan.

Don Sandelius of Ferris State College spent the weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Einar Sandelius.

Leona Courser, Ella Cox, Theresa Bunting and Sue Ward attended a birthday party for Mrs. Clayton Johnson of Mt. Pleasant Thursday. She was 92 years old.

Mrs. and Mrs. Olen Bunting and boys of Belding were Sunday afternoon guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Oral Bunting.

Mrs. Roscoe Bugsby was an honored guest of her son and daughter-in-law at a birthday dinner for her and some of her friends Sunday.

Blanche Carr was a Tuesday

luncheon guest of Mr. and Mrs. Steve Simmer. Blanche Carr and Lena St. John visited Bert Estes at the Madelyn White rest home near Barryton Wednesday. Blanche had supper Thursday with Jessie Rosencrantz. Eva Denslow was Blanche's dinner guest Saturday.

Mrs. Leona Courser entertained the Coomer Ladies' Aid Wednesday.

Mrs. Laughlin McGregor called her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Garrett, from Albuquerque, New Mexico, Sunday. They are to meet them in Chicago, as her husband will be on leave from the Armed Services. Mr. and Mrs. Lauchlin McGregor, Sr., and family of Mt. Pleasant were Saturday evening visitors at the Charles Garrett home. Mrs. Garrett and Mrs. Kenneth Martin were shopping in Saginaw Monday.

Arnold Krueger and children and Mrs. Lovica Krueger of Mt. Pleasant were Sunday guests of the Jack Leiders.

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NEWS NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. Claude King of Lapeer spent Friday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Pitts and family.



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MORE MEMORIES OF DR. RONDOT'S SERVICE

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for a boy there was suffering from pneumonia. Doc went on snowshoes most of the time, and it is doubted if he was ever paid.

Mabel Dent tells of a time when Evelyn was a baby and Doc told her to open up a Sears-Roebuck catalogue, lay it on the kitchen wood-range and heat it, then put it under the baby's blankets.

"It kept warm all night," Mabel says now. "Of course we didn't have hot-water bottles in those days, and how Doc knew about the catalogue I don't know."

There are countless accounts of Doc Rondot's medical feats, his miles of trudging through the night, his good-natured friendliness.

Truly, he is a man of legend, and in his own time.

He spent 42 years doctoring at Sherman City, and retired at age 80. He arrived in Sherman City in 1908, and retired in 1950.

He lived for a while in Mt. Pleasant, with frequent trips to Canada, and some to Florida, and then, some years ago he announced he was going to live at Villa Maria, a Catholic residence somewhat like the Masonic Home.

We offer our affectionate and respectful best wishes, Doc.

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Walker Creek News

Esther Stanley, Reporter

Mrs. Clarence Dillenbeck returned home from the Alma Hospital last Wednesday. Mr. and Mrs. Richard Louisell of Spring Lake spent most of the week at her parents' home. Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Louisell, Jr., and Patrick and Jill of Grand Haven were weekend guests.

Little Philip Schrock, who was two years old last Thursday, was guest of honor Sunday at a belated birthday dinner. Guests at the home of his parents, the Gilbert Schrocks, for dinner were his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Owens of Lake, his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Coon, and great-uncle-and-aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Olin Bowen. In the afternoon, his paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Schrock, and cousins, Debbie and Susan Schrock, of Farwell, and Violet Wright visited, and all enjoyed birthday cake and ice cream. Happy Birthday, Philip!!

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

Mrs. Otto Skalitzky visited her sister, Mrs. Kate Darnell, of Barryton, Friday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Skalitzky, Mrs. Dar-

nell and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Showers visited Mr. and Mrs. Ward Loomis at Sherman City Friday evening.

Mrs. St. John, Mrs. Clayton Beutler and Mary were Alma shoppers Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Tracy Bywater of south Weidman visited Mr. and Mrs. Howard Monroe Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Dosenberry of Lansing and Clyde Dosenberry and Blane of Coldwater Lake were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Dosenberry.

Mr. and Mrs. Ambrose Kern of Leroy visited at the Dosenberry home Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Bobroski and family of Lansing spent from Thursday night till Saturday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Emmons, and Eddie John. Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Jeffers and Priscilla of Sheridan were Saturday dinner guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Lou Gray were in Mt. Pleasant Thursday, calling on Mr. and Mrs. Duane Gray and family. Mrs. Violet Wright of Brinton did some painting at the Gray home Friday.

Mrs. Ward Loomis was a Friday visitor at the Gray home. Ernest Gray spent Sunday and they visited Mr. and Mrs. Ward Loomis in the afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Leiter and little ones visited Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Stebelton Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Monroe and Mr. and Mrs. Russell Stanley visited Mr. and Mrs. Edward Marshall during the week. Mr. Marshall worked at an auction sale near Marion Friday, and a feeder cattle sale at Clare Saturday.

Mrs. Gary Portenga and Lee Ann called on Mrs. Stanley one day this week. Mrs. Stanley visited at the Donald Pung home near Beal City Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Cook of Canadian Lakes and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Smith of Beal City visited at the Stanley home Saturday night. Mr. and Mrs. Stanley were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. David Moore and family of Lake Thirteen.

The windy weather has played havoc with telephone service. Couldn't get neighbors Sunday evening, and Monday the line was dead, so will try and catch up next week.

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North Weidman

Elvah Gott, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Conley of Mt. Pleasant called on Mr. and Mrs. Ed Olger Sunday. Helen and Cathy Alwood were afternoon visitors. Mr. and Mrs. Dick Albertson of Lansing were also Sunday afternoon callers. They also called on Mr. and Mrs. Roy S. Adams.

Roy S. Adams returned from the hospital last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harley Latham of Mt. Pleasant called on Laura Latham Sunday. Mrs. Minnie Flaughter was also a visitor.

Mrs. Helen Alwood attended the state band and orchestra festival at the Orchard View Middle School in Muskegon Saturday. Other mothers riding the bus with the Chippewa Hills Junior Band were Bernice Davy and Alice Lueder. Both the band and orchestra won a One rating, the highest rating possible. Our Weidman students have only played three years, and much credit goes to our young conductor, James Yarrick, whom the students like and respect very much.

Mr. and Mrs. John Gott enjoyed chicken supper Sunday at the Don Alwood home. Mrs. Hermione Smith was also a guest.

Muriel Miller visited the Tom Kennedy home in Mt. Pleasant Thursday afternoon.

The Mitchell Abbott family called on the Clarence Knollenbergs of Mt. Pleasant Sunday afternoon.

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N. Broomfield

The Lutheran Ladies met with Mrs. Orves Cook Tuesday evening.

The Birthday Club were guests of Mrs. E. R. Rhode Friday.

Mrs. Mary Cook is a patient at the Mt. Pleasant hospital, following a slight stroke.

Mrs. Helen Hartman called on Mrs. E. R. Rhode Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Crowley and three daughters spent Sunday with Mrs. Nettie Crowley and her brother, Jay Leinaar.

Mrs. Ralph Ehler and Kathy, and Mrs. Judy Fisher and her kiddies of Shepherd spent Sunday with her sister, Mrs. Martha Fanning.

The Saginaw Lutheran Seminary Concert Choir will be heard at the Remus Lutheran Church Sunday, April 26, at 9 a. m.

Mr. and Mrs. Bud Hines and daughters of Winchester Dam and Mrs. Robert Hogg and family had Sunday dinner with Mr.

and Mrs. Robert Hines. Other visitors were Mr. and Mrs. Gene Flachs and Chris, Roderick Nicholson, and the Albert Youngs.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Lueder visited friends in Muskegon Sunday.

Mrs. Lovica Krueger, and Arnold Krueger and family of Mt. Pleasant, and the Harold Kruegers spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Jack Leider.

The Richard Lueders left Monday morning to visit relatives in Detroit.

Callers of Mrs. Maycie Cook the past week were Mrs. Mae Forner of Holt, Mrs. Walter Nelson of Lansing, Mrs. G. Horton of Edmore, Mrs. Nettie Crowley, Mrs. Bessie Latham, Mrs. Amelia Korytkowski and Mrs. Robert Cook and Stuart.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Lueder attended a wedding at Saginaw Sunday.

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Leider recently were Mr. and Mrs. Oral Bunting and Mr. and Mrs. Herman Lueder.

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Central Gilmore

Lola Fordyce, Reporter

Mrs. Pat Monroe is in the Mt. Pleasant hospital.

Mrs. Elsie Wood is in the Midland hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Len Parker of Farwell were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ed McAlvey.

Mr. and Mrs. Egbert Fordyce returned home from Florida Friday night. They are ready to go back again, after the change in weather Sunday. It was 85 to 90 degrees in warmth in Florida when they left.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Pitts treated Mr. and Mrs. Harry Rupp to dinner in Barryton Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Egbert Fordyce were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Elwyn Pitts of Big Rapids. Their daughter, Sharon, called from her college in Tennessee, on her 21st birthday. They all enjoyed visiting with her over the phone.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Fordyce returned home from Florida last Friday.

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CONTINENTAL LEAGUE
April 15, 1970

	W	L
Wentworth IGA	27	15
Marchiando & Rau	26	16
Beal City Tavern	24.5	17.5
Giant Super Mkt.	24	18
Pabst Blue Ribbon	22.5	19.5
Household Appl.	22.5	19.5
Weidman St. Bank	22	20
Central Concrete	19.5	22.5
Beal City Service	19	22
Lowery Northern	18	24
Schlitz Beer	16	26
Coleman Furn.	11	31

High Team Series: Pabst Blue Ribbon 3040. High Team Game: Weidman Bank 1128.

High Indv. Series: Dale Lawens 623, Tom Wendt 596, Ben Ball 290.

High Indv. Game: Bob Lyon 239, Tom Wendt 235, Bob Anderson 232.

GUY'S & DOLLS

April 17, 1970

Ecker-Eldred	43	17
McArthur-Anderson	37	23
Blehm-Moore	32	28
Foster-Moore	31	29
Bierschbach-Zill	30	30
Thon-Blake	29	31
Lawens-Pantenburg	29	31
Moore-Long	29	31
Green-McConnell	27	33
Bleise-Straus	26	34
Lyon-Sharrar	25.5	34.5
Nolte-Cooke	21.5	38.5

High Team Series: Lyon & Sharrar 2484. High Team Game: Bierschbach & Zill 885.

High Series, Men: Bob Moore 604, Loren Eldred 602, Bob Lyon 580.

High Game, Men: Bob Moore 233, Jerry Blehm 211, Dale Lawens 209.

High Series, Women: Mary Blake 552, Alberta Bleise 531, Barb Moore 504.

High Game, Women: Barb Moore 212, Alberta Bleise 195, 190, Mary Blake 192.

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S. W. Sherman

Goldie Dutcher, Reporter

Emory and Ward Dell visited Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Dell of Littlefield Lake Wednesday, to help Lawrence celebrate his 80th birthday, which was April 14.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Osborne and family visited the Dale Gatehouses Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Maeder and Mark spent Sunday evening with the Harry Gatehouses.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Gatehouse were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Duane Thren and family. In the afternoon Donna took them to visit Charlie Gatehouse of Remus. He had come home from the Lakeview Hospital Wednesday evening. They took him back to the hospital Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Dutcher and Garry Dutcher were Sunday callers of the Clayton Dutchers. Mr. and Mrs. Dale Badgley of

Littlefield Lake were recent callers of Mrs. Clayton Dutcher.

Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher called on Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hines Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hardenburgh and family of Pierson visited her father, Emory Dell, and the Harry Hardenburghs, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Dutcher of Breckenridge had Sunday dinner with the Clayton Dutchers. They visited the Ervin Dutchers in the afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Dutcher and daughters, Gena and Toni, of Clio, spent Saturday over night and Sunday with the Clayton Dutchers. Mr. and Mrs. Jim Dutcher and Kim were dinner and afternoon guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Harshman of Lansing spent the weekend at their cabin at Coldwater Lake. They visited Ervin Dutcher Saturday evening, and were Sunday dinner guests of the Ervin Dutcher, Jr., family.

Mrs. Ronna Dutcher took Steve and Sandra to the movies in Mt. Pleasant Saturday evening. Kim Thren went along with Sandra and Mrs. Clayton Dutcher attended with Ronna Jean.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Dutcher and Garry Dutcher were Sunday afternoon callers of the Clayton Dutchers. Bonnie stopped in to see the new baby.

Mr. and Mrs. Orrie Merrihew and Orval visited the sugar bush at the Ralph Woods place south of Remus, and the Chris Comstocks, Thursday afternoon. They attended the Fellowship dinner after church Sunday, then spent the afternoon with Orval at his trailer home.

Cindy Gatehouse missed school last week, due to illness.

Mr. and Mrs. Chris Comstock of rural Blanchard visited the George and Orrie Merrihews Friday afternoon.

Nancy Chaffee called on the George Merrihews, Clayton and Ervin Dutchers, Harry Gatehouses and the Carl and Howard Beutlers Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Harshman and daughter of Lansing visited Ervin Dutcher, Jr., Saturday evening. They had Sunday dinner with the Dutcher family.

Mrs. Sandra Lynch visited Marion Beutler Wednesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Sanderson of St. Charles were dinner guests of the Howard Beutlers. The Beutlers attended the Fellowship dinner at church Sunday.

Mrs. Clayton Dutcher called on the Richard and Ervin Dutchers Monday evening.

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Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Beutler and Mr. and Mrs. Earl Fordyce attended an interesting travelogue Monday evening at the Mt. Pleasant High School. The program was the last of a year-long series sponsored by Mt. Pleasant Business and Professional Women.

West Gilmore

Lena Cole, Reporter

Mrs. Beulah Wixson visited her brother, Wm. Wixson, Thursday evening.

James Weingardener and Larry Shea called on Jim's aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Cole, Monday.

The Paul Coles took their sister, Mrs. Beulah Wixson, to Mt. Pleasant Friday after medicine.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Bearse and Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Horning took a trip North this weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Badgley called on the Paul Coles Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Ewing of Saginaw spent the weekend at their cabin on Littlefield Lake.

The Ewings and Mr. and Mrs. Dan Kripa called on the Paul Coles Saturday evening.

The Kripas and the Coles enjoyed a fish supper Saturday at the Cole home.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Cole and

Velma went to Vassar Sunday and were dinner guests of their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ewing. They also had a nice visit with their grandson, William Ewing. He was home on a 72-hour leave from Fort Knox, Ky. Bill flew back Monday. He will have this week at Fort Knox, then he will be transferred to Camp Benjamin Harrison at Indianapolis, Ind.

Sunday dinner guests of Mrs. Charlotte Hart were Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Curtis. Callers were Mrs. Lane Chapman and Miss Roxann Hart.

Mrs. Martin Boger gave a birthday dinner Friday for some near relatives who had birthdays in April. Honored guests were Martin Boger, Pearl Geasler, Earl Geasler, and Mrs. Payton Geasler. All enjoyed a lovely dinner and had a very nice time.

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OPENING--Gladys McArthur Memorial Library in Weidman, May 1 and 2. Be sure and visit it.

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WEIDMAN WOMEN'S TEAM PROUDLY DISPLAYS TROPHY--The Weidman Women's Team received its trophy as champions in the Community Basketball League, last Tuesday evening, and are justifiably delighted. Left to right, above: Donna Hines, Marge Horstman, Mary Ann Williams, Bonnie Sprague, Barb Cook, and Bonnie Dutcher. Also on the team but absent in the photo: Billie Jo Denslow, Janice Touchinski, and Assistant Coach Betty Baxter. Two trophies were exhibited last week, the one for the Weidman Women's Team, and one for the Weidman Boys' Team, which went all the way undefeated. Messenger photo

Jerry Horstman, coach for the men's and boys' teams, said this week that the team will play in state tournaments for intramural teams in Grand Rapids July 25.

The trophies are being displayed individually by team members, each having the coveted acknowledgment for a week, after which both trophies will be on display at the Weidman State Bank and the Weidman Post Office. They are beautiful pieces, besides being the tangible proof of excellence of both teams.

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THIS IS THE TROPHY--For the Boys' Team of Weidman, which was declared champion of the Chippewa Hills Community Basketball League. It is identical to that of the winning Weidman Women's Team, now enjoying the pleasure of displaying the graceful piece.

Messenger photo

BETTER THAN A LETTER

made it a reality.

One of its major donors was announced just last week, when Ray Cline, of the Cline Advertising Agency in Mt. Pleasant, went over plans with Leon McArthur for the plaque sign to be installed on the outside of the building, and said he would do the job without charge.

A lot of people have donated a lot of things, time, work, and money, in the preparation of the building for this opening.

Tentative hours beginning May 4 are as follows:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, 9 to 11 a. m. and 2 to 6 p. m.

Wednesday and Friday, 2 to

6 p. m. and 7 to 9 p. m.

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Local Items

Mr. and Mrs. John Ervin of Six Lakes spent last Tuesday with her mother, Mrs. Ina Gillett. Mr. and Mrs. Felix Stevens of Sanford and Mr. and Mrs. Phillips of Gilmore were Wednesday afternoon callers.

Mrs. Vera Hagerman spent Sunday with her son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Everett Hagerman, of Mt. Pleasant.

Mr. and Mrs. David McArthur and children enjoyed cake and ice cream at the Gene McArthur home Sunday evening, celebrating Gene's birthday.

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WEIDMAN LIBRARY TO OPEN MAY 1 AND 2

The Gladys McArthur Memorial Library in Weidman will be open officially May 1 and will hold Open House that day and the next, May 2, with a coffee hour, bake sale and bazaar.

All are cordially invited to come and see the beautiful job which has been accomplished through the united efforts of most of the village and its friends in other townships.

The Library will be open from 10 a. m. to 6 p. m. both days, and you may get your free Library card and check out books on those days, also. Isabella County residents will get their cards at the local Library, and out-county residents should get a "universal library card", which is free in their counties and will be honored free here.

Those having more books to donate to the Library may bring them in May 1 and 2.

The Library Board is holding a bake sale, and donations of baked goods are earnestly requested. The Library Fund has been used for articles not donated, such as carpeting, which was laid last Wednesday and Thursday, and other major cost items. It is hoped a bake sale may put the fund up where it is on a good operating scale.

Donations for the bazaar are also sought.

If you can't donate baked goods or bazaar items, then please buy some. Area ladies offer delicious foodstuffs from their kitchens, and lovely items from their handiwork.

In any case, do call in at the Library on one or both of its opening days and say Hello to the young women who have