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Editor's Column

By Connie

TAXPAYERS' ONLY HOPE IS TO BAND TOGETHER--- AND STAND TOGETHER

Thursday evening, June 24, the first day of our semi-annual one-week vacation, we attended a meeting of the Isabella County Taxpayers' Association in Mt. Pleasant.

It was the first such meeting we had attended, as we're too old to go out on Tuesday evening (Tuesday is our rough day in getting out the Messenger). We were impressed by the large number of taxpayers who attended.

Two speakers occupied the evening's agenda: Bill Coomer, newly-elected leader of the Clare County Taxpayers' Association and member of Voice of the People--Michigan; and Joe Grim, associate editor of the Farwell News, whose pungent paragraphs on things political we have followed with interest.

Mr. Coomer said, among many other things, "All that is needed for evil to triumph is for good men to do nothing."

He said a lot more, quoting financial figures and people concerned with spending our tax money, ending with the proposition that the "population explosion" is more an explosion of government controls and costs.

Among other items of information brought out in that meeting was the fact the Rep. Richard Friske has introduced the Liberty Amendment; which, among other things, would eliminate the income tax, take government out of business, and put government back in the hands of the people. Richard Friske, Representative for the 106th District, which includes Clare County, is a man to keep an eye on. He could use encouragement from taxpayers not only in his district but from all of us.

The Liberty Amendment was said to be in a House (of Representatives) committee; and how many bills have quietly died in committee? We suggest you write to Rep. Friske for a copy of the Liberty Amendment so you can understand it in full.

In the Report of Officers, Lewis Bowen said there are now 516, -000 people on welfare in Michi-

FOR REMEMBRANCE.....



BLANCHE CLIFF

Leon McArthur gave us this small photo of Blanche Cliff, a beloved pioneer member of our village who died recently.

Photos of Blanche are rare, and we thought we'd share this one with our readers.

Leon says it probably was taken about 20 years ago.

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STORY TIME AT THE WEIDMAN LIBRARY

A Story Time has been announced for the Gladys McArthur Memorial Library in Weidman, from 2.30 to 3 o'clock each Thursday afternoon.

The Story Hour is for children up to and including second-graders in school.

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NEWS NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Bartlett and two children of East Lansing were Saturday evening guests of Mrs. Lela Whearett and Don Clark. Mr. and Mrs. William Knudson and family of Livonia were weekend guests. Mrs. Jean Brew and daughter of Comstock Park were Sunday afternoon visitors.

gan, and in 1973, if we continue on present welfare programs as set up, there will be 847,700 on welfare rolls. That's a lot of people for taxpayers to support.

We agree with Bowen in the ads placed for him (NOT by him) in the Mt. Pleasant Times-News, that we are sick and tired of the welfare programs as administered and we stand solidly with Bowen.

LOCAL FIREMEN KEPT BUSY DURING THE PAST WEEK

The Nottawa and Sherman Volunteer Fire Department was kept busy the past week, with fighting fires on July 3, 4 and 5.

July 3 a grass fire on the southwest side of Coldwater Lake got the Firemen out, and the blaze was quickly under control without much damage.

July 4, Sunday, a grass fire at 4 p.m. on Jordan Road at Coldwater Lake, was stopped before it got into woods just west of the end of Jordan Road there.

At 12.45 a.m. July 5, Joseph Zuker's house burned. The home was technically in the Mt. Pleasant Fire Department's area, but the Weidman and Rosebush departments were also called.

Apparently the fire started in an upstairs bedroom, and had such a start by the time any fire departments arrived that the house was termed a total loss.

Firemen from Weidman and Rosebush used 4,500 gallons of water, plus what the Mt. Pleasant firement used.

The Weidman Firemen got home at 6 a.m. Monday morning.

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Mrs. Emily Wood has been ill with strep sore throat the past week. Her daughter, Mabel Dent, visited her often. Mrs. Wood's other children also were frequent visitors.

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1946 GRADUATING CLASS PLANS REUNION SOON

(Editor's Note: We received the following letter regarding a planned reunion of the 1946 graduating class of the Weidman School:)

Dear Connie:

The 1946 graduating class of the Sherman Twp. Rural Ag. School is planning to have their 25th Class Reunion this summer. We have been unable to locate several of the graduates.

I'm wondering if any of your readers could supply the mailing addresses and married names of the following graduates: Betty Lou Meeker, Betty Bel-lows, Helen Wilson, Jeanette Latham, Jean Thomas and Dorothy Vanderlaan. If so, please mail them to me as soon as possible.

Thank you.
Virginia Averill
Box 252
Prudenville, Mich. 48651

Men in Uniform

Dear Connie:

I'm writing to tell you that I have a small change in my address. My address is:

RMSN Robert C. Riley, D50-01-57, US Nav Comm. Sta., Guam, Box 121, Div. 32, FPO San Francisco Calif. 96630.

The change is from Div. 30X to Div. 32.

We enjoy the paper very much. I and Harry Straus, son of Mr. and Mrs. Steven Straus, who is stationed here with me, often get into arguments to see who gets to read the paper first.

When we are done with it, our room-mates read it.

I would appreciate it very much if you make the change in my mailing address so I can get the Messenger sooner.

Sincerely, Bob Riley

Here are two new addresses: Harold D. Straus, RMSN, Box 121, Div. 32, US. Nav. Comm. Sta., Guam, FPO San Francisco Calif. 96630.

TMSN Casey C. Straus, USN, D500 156, USS McCaffery, DD-860, AS Div., FPO New York, N.Y. 09501.

Casey has been enjoying a voyage around Africa, where he went on a safari, and fished off the ship and he caught a 10-pound fish. His ship was heading for the Red Sea, and has been on a good-will cruise in many ports.

In Pakistan he rode a camel and a horse. (He prefers the horse.)

He said their object on the cruise was getting acquainted with people in remote places of the world. He said they received wonderfully warm receptions wherever they put in.

The Steve Strauses have two sons now in service, both in the Navy; and their veteran son, Rick, who has had a bad time with his shattered left leg suffered in ground action in Vietnam two years ago.

Rick was in CMC Hospital on emergency basis, where he spent a week battling staph infection in the bones transplanted in the leg.

He came home July 26, apparently over the infection. The cast he wore two years has been

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Two Rivers

Blanche Carr, Reporter

Fred Winter, 80 years old, a lifelong resident of Broomfield Township, fell last Wednesday and suffered a broken hip. He is a patient in the Edmore Hospital.

Mrs. Lorraine Schultz of Lansing spent the weekend with her mother, Mrs. E. R. Rhode, and her brother, Harold.

Recent visitors of the Rhodes were Mr. and Mrs. Tom Jones of Evert, Mrs. Elsie Hoover of Detroit, and Mrs. Paul Lueder.

Mrs. Rhode and Harold called on Mrs. Mary Cook of Remus, and Mrs. Ethel Wager, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Courser and children and Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Chaffee had picnic dinner Sunday at the Dean Chaffees'.

Mrs. Dalton Rayborn of Belding was a Tuesday overnight guest of her parents, the Oral Buntings. Mr. and Mrs. Olan Bunting and Stacey of Belding and Mrs. Lucille Bollman were Sunday visitors.

Mrs. Harold Krueger took her children to the Bible School program at the Lutheran Church in Mt. Pleasant Thursday evening. The Singleton Moses family of Flushing spent a few days last week at the Krueger home.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Lieder of Detroit are spending a couple of weeks with the Jack Lieders.

Other guests of the Jack Lieders last week were Mr. and Mrs. Olaf Jensen, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Lough, Mrs. Ida Wagner, Mrs. Elvira Snyder, for a few days. Mrs. Lovica Krueger was a Sunday visitor.

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

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Swan of Drayton Plains were weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Swan. Mr. and Mrs. Leo Houston of Drayton Plans spent Sunday with them.

Mrs. Alma Albers of Lansing visited Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Hochrein Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Carr and baby and Mrs. Earl Billsby of Shepherd were Saturday supper guests of Blanche Carr.

Mrs. Evalena Grant of Carsonville and Mrs. Arnold Caswell of Deckerville spent Thursday with Mrs. Nettie Crowley. Mrs. Phyllis Sharp of Grand Rapids and Mrs. Barbara Crowley were recent guests.

Ronald, Russell and Richard Flaughner spent Saturday helping their father, Ray, roof his home. They all planned a picnic at Russell's home in Midland Monday.

Mrs. Leona Courser and her sister, Mrs. Dorothy Breuer, spent the weekend at their cottage on the Muskegon River. They attended the Evert Homecoming Saturday.

Mrs. Bob Cook brought her sister, Miss Marv Richardson, home

from Ann Arbor Wednesday, where she underwent heart surgery. Mr. and Mrs. George Dodge of Owosso were weekend guests at the Cook home. Mark Wiley of Gregory is spending a couple of weeks with the Cooks.

Mrs. Cleo Wiley is visiting her brother, Roderick Nicholson, and other relatives. They visited their sister, Mrs. Frances Handy, of Evert, Saturday.

Mrs. Betty Elliott and Mrs. Helen Hartman were callers of Mrs. Mildred Rhode and Karen this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Moses took Mrs. Nettie Baker to spend Sunday at a family gathering at the home of Mrs. Thelma Pyrett of Chippewa Lake. Col. and Mrs. Newell Staley of Virginia visited Nettie Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Orves Cook spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Rudy Nagy of Mt. Pleasant.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Hines entertained their children Sunday. Present were the families of Ivan Hines, Bud Hines, Eugene Flachs and the Robert Hoggs.

Connie Skinner was among the visitors of Maycie Cook at the Billings Home in Millbrook last week.

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Central Gilmore

Lola Fordyce, Reporter

Elam Seymour still remains in the Mt. Pleasant hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Wood are back at their own home now. Both are feeling some better.

Mrs. Sanford and children of Lansing have been spending the week with Mrs. Florence Badgley.

Many from Gilmore attended a wedding reception for Mr. and Mrs. Terry Cashen at the Farwell school Saturday afternoon. They were married at noon.

Mr. and Mrs. Egbert Fordyce were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Elwyn Pitts and family of Big Rapids. In the evening they called on Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Davison of Farwell.

Tuesday Miss Sharon Pitts of Big Rapids and friend, Sam Ford, of Mt. Vernon, Ill., were dinner guests of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Egbert Fordyce. In the evening they visited her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Pitts.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Lautzenheizer and family of Jerome were weekend guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed McAlvey.

Saturday morning Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Lautzenheizer and Mrs. Eula McAlvey called on Lola Fordyce.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Dell were Sunday dinner guests of their son and family in Mt. Pleasant.

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NEWS NOTES

Connie Skinner and Lela Wheatett spent Thursday afternoon with Hattie Losey and Jessie Rosenkrantz, playing euchre.

ELWYN PITTS HURT IN ACCIDENT

Elwyn Pitts was taken to CMC Hospital Monday evening after being hurt in an auto accident at the Battle and Fordyce corners.

Mary Helen and Terry also were in the cab of the pickup truck Elwyn was driving, but suffered only bumps and bruises. Elwyn suffered broken ribs and other injuries.

The pickup was hit by a car driven by George Raymond of Frankfort. The pickup went out of control and rolled over, the back of it being totally smashed.

Elwyn and his family were on their way to the Jim Pitts home at the time of the accident.

Their son, Greg, is being married Saturday in Iowa, and the family had planned to go out there for the ceremony.

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Mrs. Emma Middlesworth spent the weekend of the Fourth with Ethel Soper of Barryton.

Local Items

Ike Hampton of Benton Harbor came June 28 and took his mother, Edna Schultz, to attend the funeral of Leo Hampton in Clare, at the Stephenson Funeral Home. Leo was the youngest of six sons in the Hampton family of Clare.

Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Sprague spent the weekend at Merrill Lake, near Barryton. Visitors included Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Sprague and girls, for Sunday dinner; Mr. and Mrs. Gary Sprague, and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Dent of Farwell, during the week.

Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Sprague were last week Monday supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Sprague and girls at School Section Lake, where they spent from Saturday till Thursday.

Leon McArthur spent Sunday and Monday with his son, Leon, Jr., and family at Brighton.

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 July 8t2p

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 July 8t1

YARD SALE--Friday, July 9,
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 west of Clark's Store in Weid-
 man.
 July 8t1p

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 first time you use Blue Lustre
 to clean rugs. Rent electric
 shampooer \$1 at Fox Hardware
 in Weidman.
 July 8 t1

LIBRARY AUCTION SALE--Sat-
 urday morning, July 10, start-
 ing at 10 o'clock. Donations
 solicited. Please leave at Li-
 brary. Also donations solicit-
 ed for Bake Sale at same time.
 For pickup call Ted Smith, who
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 July 8t1

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YARD SALE--July 9 and 10, at
 1307 Bruce Street, Mt. Pleas-
 ant. Also bake sale and clo-
 thing of all sizes. Open from
 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Coffee,
 Kool Ade, iced tea, will be
 sold. Sponsored by the Broom-
 field Grange No. 1757.
 July 8 t1

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 repair. Call 772-4047 or 773-
 7702.
 April 15 tf

Legal Notice

STATE OF MICHIGAN
 Probate Court for the County of
 Isabella.
 Estate of LENA ST. JOHN, De-
 ceased.

It is Ordered that on September
 22, 1971, at 9.30 A.M., in the
 Probate Courtroom, Mt. Pleas-
 ant, Michigan, a hearing be
 held at which all creditors of
 said deceased are required to
 prove their claims and heirs
 will be determined. Creditors
 must file sworn claims with the
 Court and serve a copy on Fern
 E. Beutler, Route #1, Lake,
 Michigan, prior to said hearing.
 Publication and service shall
 be made as provided by Statute
 and Court Rule.

Dated June 23rd, 1971
 BURKE McCLINTIC
 Judge of Probate

Fox & Fox
 102 Hersee Bldg.
 Mt. Pleasant, Michigan
 July 8-15-22

NEWS NOTES
 The Hagerman family reunion
 was held at Island Park in Mt.
 Pleasant Sunday, June 27. Mrs.
 Vera Hagerman attended from
 here. About 97 family members
 enjoyed the day. Mrs. Hager-
 man's family returned home with
 her for pie and ice cream and
 further visits.

Card of Thanks

We wish to thank all who help-
 ed in any way to make our 60th
 wedding anniversary such a hap-
 py day.

It was a joy to see so many
 of our friends and relatives.
 Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Tilmann

Card of Thanks

We would like to thank every-
 one who worked so hard to make
 our 25 wedding anniversary party
 such a big success.

A very special thanks to our
 children, Mr. and Mrs. Gerald
 Bazaire, Mr. and Mrs. Fred
 Straus, and Mike, who planned
 the whole affair.

Thanks to our nephews, Paul
 and Carl Snider, and their band,
 for the special music.

Thanks for the many cards and
 letters.

It was a day we will never for-
 get.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Sprague

S. W. Sherman

Goldie Dutcher, Reporter
 Harry Hardenburgh was hurt
 while working on a pipeline near
 Kalkaska two weeks ago. He
 spent one week in a hospital at
 Kalkaska, then was transferred to
 the Lakeview Hospital, where
 he is at this time.

Orrie Merrihew hasn't been
 feeling very good the past week.
 Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher had
 Sunday dinner with the Jack
 Gaudard family at Halls' Lake,
 and called on the Robert Hineses
 later in the afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Willard Ransom
 and sons of Flint are spending
 their vacation with her folks,
 the Harry Hardenburghs.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Fish and three
 daughters of Pontiac spent the
 weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Geo.
 Merrihew. Mr. and Mrs. Noel
 Gover of Mt. Pleasant were a
 week ago Sunday visitors.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Gaudard and
 family of Midland visited her
 folks, the Ervin Dutchers, Friday
 evening.

The Garry Dutchers had Sunday
 dinner with the Dale Dutchers.

The Richard and Robert Dutcher-
 s had Sunday dinner with the
 Clayton Dutchers.

The Ervin Dutchers called on
 the Clayton Dutchers and brought
 them some fresh strawberries last
 Wednesday. They visited the
 Richard and Ervin, Jr., Dutchers
 and the Carl Fitzgeralds Thursday
 evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Case
 and Burgess, Mr. and Mrs. Joe
 Cole and daughters and Mr. and
 Mrs. Terry Case called on the
 Richard Dutchers and children

Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dutcher
 and children and I called on the
 Walter Howes and Jim Dutchers
 Saturday evening.

Eloise Conley, Maxine McIntyre
 and daughter and Esther Goodno
 visited Barbara Dutcher Sunday
 afternoon.

The Earl Oplingers and the Rich-
 ard Dutchers had a cookout at
 Lake Isabella Friday evening and
 enjoyed a boat ride on the lake.

The rain early Monday morning
 was sure welcome around here.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Woodin of
 Midland were Thursday after-
 noon and evening visitors of the
 Carl Fitzgeralds. Mr. and Mrs.
 Ferris Wernette of Davison were
 Friday evening visitors.

The Fitzgeralds visited an aunt,
 Mrs. Carrie Mooney, in Grand
 Rapids at the hospital Saturday.
 Sunday they attended Open
 House for Mr. and Mrs. James
 Baumann's 25th anniversary at
 Remus.

The Fitzgeralds visited Elmo
 May of Mecosta Tuesday even-
 ing and also Mrs. Angus McDon-
 ald. Mr. and Mrs. Jim Sherry of
 Florida and Mrs. Les Bowen of
 Mecosta visited the Fitzgeralds
 Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. Fitzgerald called on the
 Jim Cairns and Clayton Stevens
 near Lakeview Wednesday morn-
 ing.

Floyd Dutcher had lunch with
 the Clayton Dutchers Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dutcher
 spent the weekend with his folks.
 They had Monday lunch with
 the Garry Dutchers. Sunday the
 Dale Dutchers, the Jim Dutchers,
 Garry Dutcher and children, Bill
 Hardenburgh and the Dick Dut-
 chers all visited and enjoyed
 swimming and the fireworks at
 Lake Isabella in the evening.

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Obituary

LOUISE BENGAL

Louise Bengal died Monday, Ju-
 ly 5, in La Mesa, Calif., at the
 age of 89. She was a retired
 school teacher.

She was born July 6, 1882, in
 Fowler, and her parents brought
 the family to Nottawa Township
 where the children were raised.

She received her education in
 the Beal City school, and then
 attended the Normal College at
 Mt. Pleasant, after which she
 began her teaching career. At
 one time she taught the Hauck
 School, and others in this area.

She is survived by two sisters,
 Mrs. Lavina Elias and Josephine
 Bengal, the latter of Mt. Pleas-
 ant; 12 nieces and nephews, and
 other relatives.

Funeral services will be held
 Friday, July 9, at 11 a.m. in
 Sacred Heart Church in Mt.
 Pleasant, with burial in Calvary
 Cemetery. Rosary will be said
 at 8 p.m. Thursday at the Rush
 Funeral Home in Mt. Pleasant.



MRS. MARGARET DENSLAW

Mrs. Margaret Denslow retired from her teaching career June 11 after 24 years of service in the profession. She started her teaching career as Miss Margaret Peacock in September of 1923, at the Maple Grove rural school in Coldwater Township.

After 10 years of teaching she was married to the late Otis Denslow, and from 1932 till 1957, a period of 25 years, she devoted her entire time to her home and family and their interests and activities.

In September of 1957 she added a teaching position to her busy schedule, and continued to teach until the end of the 1971 school year. All of her teaching was done in Isabella County except for one year in Alpena County. The last 11 years she spent at the Rosebush School, which is an elementary school in the Mt. Pleasant school system.

Mrs. Denslow says that her years of teaching were richly rewarding in many ways, but especially in association and friendship of children and their families, and the many pleasant memories over the years she will cherish.

She says that teaching has been a continuous challenge, as changes have come to the field of education. The little "space age" youngsters of today, she says, already are orientated to the modern world when they enter kindergarten, and schools and teachers have made many changes to meet their needs. She says that teaching was quite different in 1923 than it is now, although basic goals are the same and every child was important to her, and working with children was challenging and rewarding to her.

Mrs. Denslow has not made plans for any specific change for retirement, but expects to have more free time to enjoy her friends, be neighborly, pursue her interests in reading, sewing, music, and church work.

One of her special interests will be her children and their families, Dr. and Mrs. Stuart Denslow of Rochester, N. Y., Mr. and Mrs. Keith Baker (Carolyn) of Grand Rapids, Mr. and Mrs. Dean Denslow of Weidman, Dr. and Mrs. Gary Denslow of

grandchildren to enjoy, ranging in age from four months to 14 years, so she anticipates her retirement years filled to the brim with activities and challenges.

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Around Horr

Jessie Rosencrantz, Reporter
Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Dent spent Tuesday and Wednesday in Lansing with the Chuck Roberts family.

Fourth of July callers at the Dent home were Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Kirvan and grandson of Flint, and Bob Kirvan. Mr. and Mrs. Harry Dent and son were weekend guests. Mabel and Gerald called several times on her mother, Mrs. Emily Wood.

Mr. and Mrs. Mack Denslow attended the funeral of their brother-in-law, Mack Lovell, in Grand Rapids, Friday.

My callers during last week were Mr. and Mrs. Max Hammond and two children, Mrs. Grace Fitzgerald, and Ron Losey.

Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Tiani and family spent a week with her parents, the Sterling Oplingers, recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Cooley of Ionia spent Sunday afternoon with Mrs. Flora Wood.

Mr. and Mrs. Garth Lawrence and Pam spent the weekend with his mother, Mrs. Nettie Lawrence.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Cummings were Sunday callers of Mrs. Lawrence.

Bill Cummings joined them all for Sunday dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Oplinger and Eddie and Mr. and Mrs. Dick Dutcher and children had a steak fry Friday evening at Lake Isabella.

Callers of Hattie Losey during the week were Mrs. Alma White, Floyd Dutcher, Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher, Mrs. Grace Fitzgerald, Mrs. Elva Parks and Connie Skinner and Lela Wharett; Mr. and Mrs. Chuck Teideman and daughters, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Eisenburg, Dick Dutcher and Pattie, Harold and Ron Losey, and Mrs. Minnie Strauch.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Losey brought supper out to the Losey home one evening, and they and the Gerald Loseys all had supper together at the Charlie Losey home.

Ardith Merrihew took Hattie Losey to Alma Friday for a check-up. The doctor said she is coming fine, and can now put some weight on her foot.

The Gerald Losey family and Bruce and Susie Chapman were Sunday dinner guests of the Charlie Loseys.

Bruce Chapman was home over the holiday, from his duties at Norfolk, Va.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Thompson and boys and Chuck Williams and family spent Sunday at House Silver Lake for a picnic.

Mrs. Helen Smith and Mrs. Ula Cummins furnished a pot-luck supper at the Alva Cummins home Saturday evening. Guests were Mr. and Mrs. Garth Lawrence and Pam, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Cummins and Dawn Marie, and Bill Cummins. Mr. and Mrs. Larry Cummins are enjoying his vacation at the home of his grandparents, the Alva Cummins.

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(Editor's Note: Jessie had an awful time trying to get her news in this week. She telephoned it, as there was no mail service on Monday.

(She started calling in items Sunday evening, so as not to tie up the telephone line too long at a time; and shortly the old IBM typewriter quit on us.

(We called her back a couple of times, and whom! there went the old machine again. It was something about the ribbon gear.

(Monday morning we put in an emergency call to IBM's offices at Saginaw, where an answering service promised to take our urgent call for help.

(In about an hour an IBM man called back: The answering service gal had taken down the 644-part of our telephone number but not the 2000 part. He had a time tracing through to find out who called for help.

(It being a legal holiday, all IBM service men were out of town. The blessed man--we think he's a district manager or such--knew about IBM typewriters. He had the old machine

fixed in no time.

(So then we called Jessie again and got the Horr news. Thanks for your patience, Jessie. And we're thankful, too, for an IBM man from Saginaw who would come up on a holiday.)

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In the Editor's Mail

Dear Connie:

Thanks so much for the picture, and also your part in making our visit so pleasant. We had a very good time, and it was nice meeting the children of our old friends, as most of the older ones have passed away. It's too bad we waited so long before returning.

It rained practically all the while we were gone, and today it has rained all day long. The weather reports it as being the wettest June on record.

Makes good hay, but hard on the garden. However, Harris has cultivated the garden twice since returning home.

Had lots of strawberries, so we have been busy taking care of them between rains.

Thanks for your kindness.
Lovingly, Annetta Bellows
Calder, Idaho 83808

Weidman Messenger

HOME PAPER FOR THE WEST
HALF OF ISABELLA COUNTY

LAKE OF THE HILLS

We are listing all of Connie Skinner's lots on Plat No. 3, Lake of the Hills, eight lots in all.

These include large, beautiful residential lots, and also two lots zoned for business on Airline Road, with easement to the lake waters.

We have these, and many, many more listings for your choosing. Come in and see the many opportunities we have for your home or second home in Weidman.



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Clarence Marshall	Theodore Ahler
Tillie Simmer	Otto Thelen
Clara Sebenick	Mary Neyome
Edward Sebenick	Michael Neyome
Frank Logan	Aurelia Doll
Elmer Logan	Teresa Tilmann
Gusta Schumacher	Anna Tilmann
Wm. Schumacher	Philomena Tilmann
Oliva Schumacher	Johnnie Tilmann
Edward Schumacher	Regina Faber

him. He is starring at the Traverse City Playhouse this week. Clara was with her daughter, Loretta, and Margaret Judge and Jean, who headed for the Upper Peninsula Saturday morning and stayed at Newberry till Monday. Then the party came as far down as Traverse City, where they enjoyed a picnic with the Swaggers and Murras families. Clara said it was a real thrill and satisfaction to meet Kirby in person.

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In the Editor's Mail

Dear Connie:
Please find enclosed my check \$5.00 to extend my mother's subscription to your fine paper for another year.
Keep up the good work. We enjoy your frank appraisals of the conditions existing in our county, and applaud your stand.
Mother (Mrs. Grace Monthei) is recuperating from a broken leg, and is in the Medical Care Facility.
Please continue to send the paper to the same address, as we hope to have her home in the near future.
Sincerely,
Shirlee Peterson
Mt. Pleasant

Connie:
Check for the Weidman Messenger for another year.
I enjoy the paper, but there are many people there now I don't know.
I left Weidman in my early years. My name was Kew. Do you remember the Roe children and us playing in the cornfield?
I was a pal of Winifred (Roe).
Edna Bowein
Detroit

(Editor's Note: The above letters were received before June 12.)

Weidman Messenger

HOME PAPER FOR THE WEST HALF OF ISABELLA COUNTY

NOTTAWA SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 4 (TOWNHALL SCHOOL). Some of the pupils enrolled had attended St. Philomena's Parochial School at Beal City that year. The church had burned the year before (May, 1905). In 1906, stones were bring split and construction work on the stone church was begun (under leadership of Father Zugelder). St. Philomena's School let out earlier than usual that year, so some of the pupils from there attended the public school one mile north of Beal City for the remainder of the year.

Beal City

Dora Smith, Reporter

NEW BABIES

Mr. and Mrs. Steve Martin are the proud parents of a baby boy, born June 21. His name is Steven Harold.

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Pasch are the proud parents of a baby girl.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Pung are the proud parents of a baby boy.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Lawens are the proud parents of a baby girl.

Miss Robin Anderson and Miss Bonnie Blazak spent a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Anderson.

Mr. and Mrs. Isadore Schafer called on Louise Smith Tuesday afternoon. Gerald and Loretta Smith of Mt. Pleasant spent Wednesday morning with her and Anna. Ida Tilmann also called. Mr. and Mrs. Orrin First of Rosebush and a friend called Tuesday evening. Janice Blasen of St. Johns, a granddaughter of Louise, stayed with her Wednesday and Thursday, then her sister, Jane, came and got her.

The Louis Rau family had their reunion at Mitchell Memorial Park in Weidman July 4.

Mrs. Doris Tilmann and Mrs. Rose Schafer spent Tuesday afternoon with their aunt, Mrs. Paul-

ine Boge, of Mt. Pleasant.

A number of friends of Mr. and Mrs. Allen Tilmann surprised them on their 25th wedding anniversary.

Mr. and Mrs. Ron Kraus, the former Pat Schmidt, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Schmidt, spent the weekend with her parents, to attend the wedding of her classmate, Sharon Haupt.

The rummage sale for benefit of the parochial school did very well Saturday.

Debbie Rau spent a week with her sister, Ginger, in Bay City.

The Walter Fabers had company at their cottage. Dora Smith baby-sat for Mr. and Mrs. Beneske Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Sheppard had company Sunday.

Relatives and friends of Mrs. Diana (Moeggenberg) Schafer were saddened to hear of her sudden death Friday, of a heart attack. She was buried Monday at 11 o'clock from St. Leo's Church at Winn. Mrs. Tony Schafer, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Schafer, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Schafer, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Schafer, and Mr. and Mrs. Al Klumpp attended the funeral from here.

Mrs. Gertrude Schafer and Mrs. Louise Schafer called on Mrs. Tony Schafer last Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Kavanaugh spent the weekend in Detroit.

The new tenants in the Schafer apartment are Mr. and Mrs. Sam Underwood.

Jerry and Dannie Schafer attended a musical convention in Chicago last week.

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MEET TELEVISION STAR AT TRAVERSE CITY

Clara Fox shook hands with Durwood Kirby, who was on the Gary Moore Show and Candid Camera, at Traverse City, Monday. Clara had a nice chat with

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Walker Creek News

Esther Stanley, Reporter

Congratulations and best wishes to the newlyweds, Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Beutler! Mrs. Beutler was Maxine Wilson of Caro. They were married in the United Brethren Church Saturday, June 26, at Caro, and will reside at Mt. Pleasant. We hope to have a picture and writeup of the event soon.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Voss and Stacey were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Voss and family and Sarond Voss Saturday night. The occasion was Sarond's birthday. Happy Birthday, Sarond!

Mr. and Mrs. Voss and Stacey visited Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Wil-mot Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Smith of Riverdale were weekend guests of their daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Schrock. They all were supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Elton Dean Smith and family of Riverdale, at their cottage at Townline Lake, near Lakeview.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Skalitzky were host and hostess for a family gathering Sunday, July 4. All the members of her family were there except Mr. and Mrs. Mickey Dargitz and family of Remus, who are on vacation, and Mr. and Mrs. Barry Conley, who are on vacation and fishing trip up North. Guests were Mr. and Mrs. Leo Denslow and Denise, Mr. and Mrs. Willis Finney and sons, Mr. and Mrs. Ronald DeVries and family of Big Rapids, Mr. and Mrs. Otis Conley and Loretta and Terri, Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Denslow, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Denslow, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Corwin and Robert, Jr., and Kyle. All enjoyed the cookout and pot-luck dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Middlesworth of Coldwater Lake were Thursday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Dillenbeck. Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Louisell and Patrick and Jill of Grand Haven and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Louisell and Heather of Spring Lake were holiday weekend guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Dillenbeck spent Sunday night with the William Louisells at their cottage at Crooked Lake.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Zill were Saturday overnight and Sunday guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roland Zill, at St. Charles.

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Stebelton and Renee visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Warren Leiter, Thursday night. Mr. and Mrs. Del Esterline and family of Farwell visited Sunday night. Mr. and Mrs. Gregory Leiter and Melissa and Mr. and Mrs. Steven Voss were recent visitors.

Mr. and Mrs. Craig Thompson of Roger Heights, Big Rapids, visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Keith Thompson, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Denslow were

guests of her mother, Mrs. Juanita Struble, at Littlefield Lake, during the weekend.

Kenneth Ley of Lansing visited his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Lou Gray, Monday. Mr. and Mrs. Loren Gray and family of Mt. Pleasant were supper guests Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lou Gray attended the annual meeting and picnic of Ojibwa residents Sunday at Lake Windoga.

We were sorry to hear that Howard Monroe suffered a heat stroke Thursday about 11.30. Rev. Eldridge took him to the Mt. Pleasant hospital. Mrs. Mabel Allen brought him home Sunday noon. Rev. Ione Lloyd and Mrs. Vera Allen of Sears and Mrs. McPherson of north Brinton were Sunday callers at the Monroe home.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Dosenberry of Lansing were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Dosenberry and Keith. Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Dosenberry and Blaine of Coldwater Lake were recent callers.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted McCoy of Grand Rapids visited Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Emmons and Eddie John the previous Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. De Wayne Fifield and Kathy of Lansing were weekend guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Stanley enjoyed a week's vacation at a cottage on a private lake, returning home Saturday. Mrs. Ray Elliott of Mt. Pleasant spent the first weekend with us. Mr. and Mrs. Edward Marshall, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Abendroth, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Stanley and family, Mrs. Donald Pung and children, and Mrs. David Moore and Pamela and David, Jr., visited us during the week.

Sunday guests for pot-luck dinner at the Stanley home were Mr. and Mrs. Adelbert Pung and Susan and Sandra of St. Johns, Mr. and Mrs. David Moore and family of Lake Thirteen, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Pung and family, except Dennis, who is vacationing this week with Boy Scouts, and Michael Stanley of Weidman.

Mrs. Leo Battle and son, Steven, of Paris, and our granddaughter, Mrs. Robert Battle, and new son, Thomas John, visited Sunday afternoon. We were glad to make his acquaintance.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Stanley and Martin, Richard, Sheryl and Sheila of Weidman called Sunday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Adelbert Pung were Sunday overnight guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley attended the Seiter reunion at the IOOF Hall in Clare Sunday, June 27.

NEWS NOTES

Laurel Cole of Weidman became Mrs. John Whittaker June 26 at the Weidman United Methodist Church.

Sixty-three persons attended the Coomer Homecoming June 27.

Winn Church School had a picnic at the Forquer property west of Winn Sunday, June 27.

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NEWS OF THE

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Morning Service, 11 a.m.
Evening Service, 7.30 p.m.
Prayer Meeting (Wednesday), 7.30 p.m.

Choir practice (Thursday), 6.30 p.m.

Our Sunday School picnic was changed to our church basement because of the threat of rain. Some young folks were disappointed, but a lot of good fellowship was enjoyed.

WEIDMAN UNITED METHODIST
Rev. Athel Lynch, Pastor

Don and Cheryl Rasmussen will arrive in Weidman Saturday, July 10, and will be with us in the morning worship services. A time of informal fellowship will follow slides and a talk in the evening July 11 at 7.30 p.m. The pastor and his wife will furnish refreshments. These independent missionaries need God and you to send them back to the field in Columbia, South America. The public is invited.

The pastor, Rev. Athel Lynch, has been returned for another year to the Weidman-Winn-Coomer Circuit.

BETTER THAN A LETTER

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Smith and Jim and Fred Lueder, son of Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Lueder, spent last week touring the American side of the Soo Locks, and then went on into Canada.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Straus and family spent the weekend with her mother, Mrs. Leah Scharrer. Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Smith have been spending several days at Tubbs Lake, with their trailer.

Mr. and Mrs. Garold St. John and family spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Ken Warner, of Clare.

Mr. and Mrs. David Wood and Judy Wood and Madonna Dawson of Lansing spent Monday with the Bernard Pitts family.

Sonny Thelen was taken to CMC Hospital June 27 and released last Saturday, July 3. He was in intensive care for several days and then placed in isolation. Further tests will determine whether he can work again, doctors said. We all wish you good luck, Sonny! You and Noreen have a wonderful little store at Coldwater Lake, and we want to keep you here.

Albert Gott of Winn took Mr. and Mrs. John Gott to a pony-pulling contest at Chippewa Lake Saturday. Cathy Alwood and Lee Ann Abbott and Debbie Graham accompanied them. They stopped on the way home and visited the Harley and Bud Drake families.

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Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Stebelton

Photo by Wanda Graham

Kathleen Burden and Kenneth Stebelton were married June 12 at the West Side Tabernacle in Mt. Pleasant, with Rev. G. Edgar Schade officiating.

Parents of the bride are Mr. and Mrs. Jack Burden of Weidman and the groom's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Henry Smoder of Mt. Pleasant.

Guests attended the wedding from Weidman, Mt. Pleasant, Barryton, Grand Rapids, Lansing, Flint and Remus.

The newlyweds are making their home in rural Shepherd.

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Brinton News

Mr. and Mrs. Keith Baker and Margaret Denslow were Saturday supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Baker. Jack Baker was also a guest. He left for Interlochen, where he will be employed during the summer months in photography.

Bud Longtin and Frances Beck spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Johnson and girls of near Sheridan.

Helen Strang and girls spent the holiday weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Virgil LaLonde. Helen and Linda La

Londe and children spent Sunday evening at the carnival at Mt. Pleasant.

Nora Geasler and Frances Beck were in Big Rapids Wednesday.

Fay Forbes and Fred Reynolds have been putting up hay for Frances Beck and Dewey Olger is putting hay up on the Dick Geasler farm. It has been ideal weather for hay harvest. We were so thankful for our little shower Sunday night.

The house formerly owned by Frank Sisco in Brinton has been greatly improved with repair and remodeling. The work is being done by Dave Van Buskirk of Farwell.

Denny Mills, son of Robert Mills, is spending some time with Don and Flossie Scott.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Tower spent a few days last week at their cottage at Houghton Lake.

Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell Geasler and family of Ames, Iowa, spent a few days last week with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Geasler, and other relatives. Wednesday evening Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Fosburg entertained the Geasler families at supper, including Carl and Ellen Geasler. Dick

and Nora, and Mr. and Mrs. Ferris Graham, and Emily Geasler.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Teeter and their mother, Mrs. Teeter, spent Sunday with relatives in Grand Rapids. Mrs. Teeter remained for a week's visit with her son, Harold, and family.

Fred Rescoe is progressing well on his new home just southwest of Weidman.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Allen and daughter of Lansing were Monday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. John Gott.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Embrey attended the Leiter reunion at Drev Hall Sunday. About 50 people enjoyed the day. They had Friday supper with Mr. and Mrs. Howard Blackmer. They made a Sunday evening call on Mr. and Mrs. Frank Maxon.



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removed, and he is on crutches but glad to get around. He will have physical therapy later.

Good luck, Rick--you've earned it!

Born to Sgt. and Mrs. LeRoy Holton (Vada Loomis), a boy, June 22, at CMC Hospital, who weighed six pounds, 10 1/2 ounces and was named Lawrence LeGrand. Mr. and Mrs. Otis Loomis are the proud grandparents, along with Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Holton of Rodney. Sgt. Holton is stationed in Germany, and his wife and child planned to join him there.

James Anderson, son of Dale Anderson, came home July 2 from Vietnam and will be home for 30 days, then he goes back for another six months in Vietnam.

Here's another new address: AMN. Larry O. Leiter, FR. 372-56-9249, CMR No. 2, Sq. 3762, Box 583, Sheppard Air Force Base, Texas 76311.

Larry is attending school there, on air conditioning and refrigeration.

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ANNUAL LIBRARY AUCTION SALE TO BE SATURDAY

The annual Library Auction Sale, sponsored by Friends of the Gladys McArthur Memorial Library in Weidman, will be held this Saturday morning, July 10, starting at 10 o'clock.

Ted Smith will be auctioneer.

Donations are solicited for the auction, and also for a bake sale to be held at the same time, same place.

Those having articles too large to leave at the Library, where donations are requested to be left, may call 644-3350 for pickup, it was announced this week.

Articles of all descriptions are solicited, except clothing.

The auction will be held on Weidman's main street, on the vacant lot between Abbott's Furniture Store and the barbershop.

This annual event helps pay expenses of the Library, which has been doing very well during the past year. The auction sale is an important help to the Library.

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REBEKAH CARD PARTY HAS EIGHT TABLES IN PLAY

At the Rebekah sponsored card party last Tuesday afternoon (a very hot day), there were eight tables of pepper in play.

Stub Beutler won first prize for the men, with his wife winning first for the women. Russell Wilson won low.

Marge Hathaway won the pepper prize, with the door prize going to Clara Fox.

The next Rebekah card party will be July 13.

West Gilmore

Lena Cole, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Geasler and Mrs. Geasler's brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. George Cornell, of Gladwin, spent the weekend at the Geaslers' cottage at Eight Point Lake.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Geasler and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Worth and family spent the weekend up North, camping.

Mr. and Mrs. Ty Strong of Charlotte visited their grandmother and aunt, Mrs. Charlotte Hart and Mrs. Violet Lowery, Thursday evening.

Mrs. Ida Reynolds and Mrs. Dorothy Lowery visited their mother and aunt, Mrs. Hart, and Mrs. Violet Lowery, Friday evening.

Sgt. and Mrs. Frank Cornell and family of Cherry Point, N. C., visited his sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Geasler, Friday evening.

Mrs. Charlotte Hart and Mrs. Violet Lowery visited their nephew and niece, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Young, of Evart, Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ewing and family of Vassar spent the weekend camping at Littlefield Lake. Mrs. Fred Ewing and three daughters of Alma were guests Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Mossell and boys, Tom and Dick, of South Bend, Ind., returned home last Wednesday after spending 10 days at their cabin.

Julius Allbee was expected to return home from Saginaw General Hospital Tuesday, after a 10 stay for surgery twice last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Cole and Mr. and Mrs. Green of Detroit are spending some time at the Coles' farm home. They report their father, George Cole, was much weaker.

Larry Wixson and Walter Coppins and two sons of Flint called on their uncle and aunt, the Paul Coles, Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Milan Anderson and Deanne and Milan's mother, Dorothy, of Gothenburg, Neb., called on the Coles Monday afternoon.

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MILDRED GARNER'S CAR SABOTAGED AT VASSAR

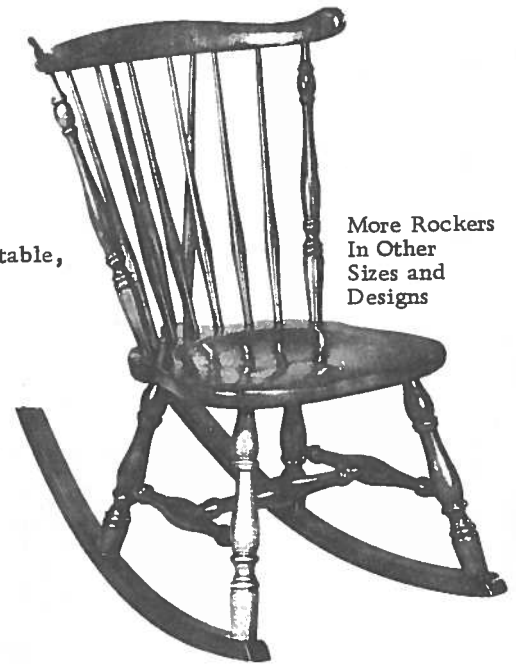
Mildred Garner called from Vassar, Mich., Tuesday morning to tell us she would not be in Weidman Wednesday as planned, as the gasoline had been stolen from her car and an unknown substance put in the gas tank.

Her car was in a Vassar garage for possible cleanup and salvage.

A rock festival had been attempted near Vassar over the holiday weekend, which was broken up police, with the hippies scattering over the countryside, Mildred said.

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