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OPEN HOUSE FOR SILVER ANNIVERSARY OF BRIDGETS

Open House will be held this next Sunday, Aug. 27, from 2 to 5 p. m. in the Weidman school gym, honoring Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Bridget.

Friends and relatives are cordially invited to attend. The family requests no gifts.

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EXHIBITION SOFTBALL GAME HERE SATURDAY NIGHT

An exhibition game will be played Saturday evening, August 26, at 5 p. m. at Mitchell Memorial Park between Palmer's Idle Hour Bar and The Hitching Post team from Detroit.

The Hitching Post team is sponsored by the Ojibwa Recreation Area Corp., while Palmer's is sponsoring its own team.

This should be a good game, as both teams are rated A in the Detroit Softball Federation.

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OPEN HOUSE THIS SATURDAY AT WEIDMAN FIRE HALL

Members of the Nottawa and Sherman Volunteer Fire Department, and their wives, will host an Open House this Saturday, Aug. 26, from 9 a. m. to 9 p. m., at the Fire Hall, to proudly show the public their addition to the Fire Hall they built, and the new fire truck the two townships purchased and which was delivered here last December.

The public is urged to visit the Fire Hall this Saturday and look over the large addition to the building, and the various pieces of fire-fighting equipment with which the Volunteer Firemen here are now working.

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BEAL CITY SENIOR CITIZENS CARD PARTY ENJOYED

At the Senior Citizens card party at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Beal City last Thursday afternoon, there were 12 tables of pepper in play. Everyone enjoyed the day in spite of the very warm weather.

Ruby Douglas won first prize for the ladies, with Ruth Gallagher winning second.

Father Amman won first for the men, with Joe Keiffer winning second.

Albina Rau won the pepper prize, Clara Fox the door prize.

The next party will be Thursday afternoon, Aug. 31. Everyone is welcome.

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BETTER THAN A LETTER



MR. AND MRS. STERLING OPLINGER

A golden Wedding Anniversary was recently celebrated by the family of Mr. and Mrs. Sterling Oplinger, long-time residents of Sherman Township.

Fifty years ago on June 12 (1922), Sterling and Violet Oplinger were married in Bakersfield, Calif., where he worked in the oil fields.

A daughter, Doris, was born in California, and a son, Earl, in Pennsylvania.

They moved to Michigan in 1928, to a farm west of Weidman, where Sterling tried his hand for the first time in making farming his vocation. They are still on that farm, and Sterling is still active, and enjoys his life on his beautiful farm.

Relatives came from California, Mason, Mich., Grand Ledge, Lansing, and Dearborn Heights, Dearborn, and Florida, to enjoy a wonderful family gathering and a delicious dinner at the Earl Oplinger home. All the trimmings were prepared by Bobbie Oplinger and Doris Tiani.

The Oplinger family has now grown to seven grandchildren and one lively great-granddaughter, Kristen Rambold, of Ypsilanti.

Congratulations, Sterling and Violet, from your very many friends and neighbors.

Mrs. Emil Phillips has been suffering a virus infection, but was reported better the first of the week.

STORMS SWEEP OVER THIS AREA MONDAY NIGHT

A series of severe thunder showers swept over this area Monday evening and night, knocking out telephone lines in the Horr area and flooding roads and areas as far southwest as Remus, where main roads down town were reported Tuesday morning as impassible.

A barn on Battle Road, northwest of the Dillenbeck place, owned by Donald J. Gadille of Trenton, was hit by a freak bolt of lightning which splintered heavy timbers and scattered the boards in all directions, according to reports.

The barn burned, and the Nottawa and Sherman Volunteer Fire Department answered a call to the place. Damage was estimated at around \$2,000.

A washout on the road just north of the Clair Floria place over the line in Mecosta County caused an auto accident, but apparently there were no injuries.

Earl Oplinger reported a reading of five inches in his rain gauge Tuesday morning. Ervin Dutcher had a 3.8-inch reading on his rain gauge.

Clayton Dutcher had difficulty getting home from work Monday evening, with road washouts hampering auto travel. His car was "drowned out" three times, he reported, south of the Woodin corner in southwest Sherman.

Many telephones were knocked

Men In Uniform

Ronald Stanley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Stanley of Weidman, is stationed at Fort Dix, N.J. He says he might come home this weekend on short leave.

He writes his folks that he has gained 11 pounds since he joined the Armed Forces, and is getting along fine.

PFC and Mrs. Dean Chaffee and baby returned to his base at Colorado Springs Tuesday, after a visit with their parents and relatives here.

Mrs. Harland Snider and daughters, Joan and Sue Anne, returned Saturday, after a month's visit with relatives in England. They stayed at the home of her mother in Widnes, England, and also visited Mrs. Snider's three brothers there. She has many friends there, and had wonderful visits with them.

out Monday night, but there was no report of electrical failure for any length of time.

All areas, from Brinton to Remus and including the Weidman town area, were swept by unprecedented heavy lightning and rain storms, one after another, from 6.30 p. m. to past midnight.

In the Beal City area, heavy lightning storms were reported but no damage to corn crops was received here. In some areas, spurts of heavy winds accompanied the electrical storms.

County road workers were out bright and early Tuesday morning, hauling gravel to fill washouts on roads. No reports of repair on the Brinton Road had reached us by Tuesday evening.

Flooded basements in the Remus area were reported, but no reports of flooding in Weidman had been received by Tuesday noon.

A creek on the Wyman Road broke and spilled over, and the Jordan Road by the Chaffee place also was washed out. County Road men were hauling gravel there Tuesday morning.

Further thunder storms were predicted for Tuesday night and Wednesday.

All in the three-county storm area agreed it was the worst series of thunder storms in their experience. Storm warning were broadcast over Radio Station WCEN Tuesday evening and night.

Around Horr

Jessie Rosencrantz, Reporter

Mrs. Alice Thacker and Mrs. Nora Jones spent Friday afternoon with their brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Alva Cummins.

Jim Wright of Clarkston spent the weekend with his folks, the Wilbur Wrights. Saturday evening they attended the wedding of their granddaughter, Linda Aldrich, and Kenneth Brown at CMU Chapel in Mt. Pleasant. The Norman Millers and Randy Miller and friend were Saturday callers at the Miller home.

Mrs. Flora Wood attended the wedding of Linda Aldrich and Kenneth Brown also. Sunday Mrs. Wood and the Rick Wood family spent the day in Kalamazoo with the Wayne Taylor family.

Mr. and Mrs. Orlan Denslow and daughter, Lorain, and friend of St. Cloud were Sunday dinner guests of Mrs. Eva Denslow.

Mrs. Opal Denslow entertained her great-granddaughter, Lisa Dumm, of Mt. Pleasant, while her parents were in Grand Rapids, where her father, Robert Dumm, played ball.

Michael Grewett of Detroit spent last week at the Joe Martin home. Mrs. Betty Martin shopped in Saginaw Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Losey and Gary went to the ball game in Detroit Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Oplinger and Ed, and Mrs. Doris Tiani and Donna attended the wedding of their cousin, Frank Carr, in Lansing Saturday evening. Ed was an usher.

Mrs. Minnie Strauch spent Tuesday over night with her sister, Mrs. Hattie Losey. Mr. and Mrs. Theron Merrihew called Wednesday at the Losey home. They had just returned from a month's vacation in the western states. Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Bryant of Shepherd called Saturday evening. Harold Losey called Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Burdette Denslow called on the Loseys and me Sunday evening. Ardis Merrihew and Hattie called on me Wednesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Miller attended the wedding of their great-granddaughter, Linda Aldrich, and Kenneth Brown Saturday evening at the CMU Chapel in Mt. Pleasant.

Mrs. Grace Fitzgerald called on me Thursday afternoon.

Sunday guests at the Mack Denslow home were Mr. and Mrs. Mack Kent and two sons of Grand Rapids, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry North and five children of Blooming-grove, Texas, Mrs. Joyce Chaffee, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Denslow and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Kent and son of Mt. Pleasant.

Mrs. Nettie Lawrence called on her sister and husband, the Myrl Scotts, Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Dent returned Wednesday from their vacation out west.

BETTER THAN A LETTER

Walker Creek News

Esther Stanley, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Austin Dent visited Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Dillenbeck Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Gary St. John and family visited Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Hess at Beaverton Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Spence of Portland and Mr. and Mrs. Leo Denslow visited Mr. and Mrs. Otis Conley Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Voss hosted a birthday dinner Sunday, honoring the birthdays of Stuart and Stacey. Attending were Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Voss and Angela, and Mr. and Mrs. Steven Voss and Steven, Jr. Happy Birthday, Stuart and Stacey. Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Wilmot of Weidman visited at the Voss home Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Skalitzky and Mr. and Mrs. Otis Conley enjoyed a drive and dinner at Mecosta Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Ward Loomis visited Mr. and Mrs. Skalitzky Sunday evening.

The Lyle Denslows have been having electrical trouble at their home. Mrs. Denslow called on Alma Dosenberry and attended Busy Bees at Evelyn Denslow's Thursday.

Mrs. Clyde Emmons reports their phone out of order the past few days. Everything fine now. Mrs. Guy Jeffrey and three sons and one daughter-in-law of Fenwick visited Sunday and were dinner guests. Mr. and Mrs. Albert Goodstol and sons of Fenwick called during the weekend, and Mr. and Mrs. Emmons and Eddie John visited the Goodstols at their trailer home.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Leiter of Rapid City and Mr. and Mrs. Del Esterline of Farwell visited Mr. and Mrs. Warren Leiter and family Saturday.

Mrs. Howard Monroe came home from the Mt. Pleasant Hospital Tuesday. She was feeling better at this writing. Mrs. Tracy Bywater visited Thursday. Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Smoke of North Branch visited Saturday.

Mrs. Ida Bazaire visited Mr. and Mrs. Donald Zill and family Monday, and was a dinner guest.

Just talked to Joyce Geasler, and she reports her brother-in-law, Lou Gray, who is a patient at the Isabella County Medical Care Facility, remains about the same.

The Russell Stanleys have been busy for two weeks or more. Had a yard sale the previous weekend and our auction sale Saturday. All of the children and several of the grandchildren were home for the latter event.

Dennis Pung and Michael Stanley spent two days helping their grandfather, and Mr. and Mrs. Donald Stanley and family spent Friday over night, to help Saturday morning. Donald Pung assisted Friday. We had a chicken, hot dog and frankfurter barbecue

and pot-luck dinner Sunday. Guests were Mr. and Mrs. Robert Abendroth of Lake Windoga, Mr. and Mrs. Adelbert Pung and Sandra and friend, Linda Weatherwest, of St. Johns, Connie Johnson of Mesick, Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Schrock and Philip, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Pung and family of Beal City, and Mr. and

Mrs. Donald Stanley and family of Weidman.

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Mrs. Nina Forbes attended an OES houseware party at the Masonic Hall. Later she called at the Robert Holt home, as Iva Holt came home from the hospital. Mrs. Forbes was a supper guest of the Holts.

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Notice

Weidman United Methodist Women will hold a Bake Sale, Aug. 26, beginning at 10 a.m., and will serve lunch at noon, in co-operation with the Annual Auction Sale to begin at 1 p.m. in the church parking lot.

Aug. 17t2

FOR SALE--Overcab pickup camper, sleeps 4. Gas stove and lights. Toilet. Mounted jacks. Also beagle hound with papers, license, shots. Good hunter. Also boy's bicycle and 4 heavy dining chairs. Edw. J. Schafer, 5678 W. Jordan Road, Coldwater Lake.
 Aug. 17tf

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 July 13tf

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WANTED--Sewing to do in my home. Reasonable rates. Call 644-3961.

July 27t4

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Aug. 24t3

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May 4tf

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Aug. 24t1

FOR better cleaning, to keep colors gleaming, use Blue Lustre carpet cleaner. Rent electric shampooer \$1 at Fox Hardware, Weidman.

Aug. 24t1

IF WE HAVE ERRORS THIS WEEK.....

If the Messenger has typographical errors this week, please bear with us.

What with the heat, humidity, and mayhap a bit of Monday night's storms, our faithful old IBM typewriter, on which we type the news, went blah on us Tuesday morning--of all days in the week!

We put in an emergency call to IBM in Saginaw for immediate help, and got it just after the noon hour.

(Why not? We pay through the nose for service insurance from IBM!)

Anyhow, we were delayed a half day on our tight little schedules, and Tuesday is our crucial day, when we read final proofs and otherwise button up the pa-

per.
 We did our best to get the paper together, half a day late on our schedules, but proof-reading was on our casualty list.

We regret this, as we pride ourselves on clean, comprehensible reading in our paper.

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Obituary

SAMUEL WATERS

Samuel Waters died Saturday evening, Aug. 19, at CMC Hospital in Mt. Pleasant, after a long illness. He was 70.

He was born Oct. 9, 1901, in Indiana, and moved here from Fort Wayne in 1951, going into the pulpwood business for himself. He was a veteran of World War I.

He was a deputy for the Isabella County Sheriff's Department from June of 1953 till April of 1960.

He is survived by his wife, Wilma; five children, Mrs. Helen Fox of Burr Oak, Samuel, Jr., of Burr Oak, Mrs. Betty Wolf of Kalamazoo, Mrs. Janet Kennedy of Mt. Pleasant, and Kenneth Waters of Weidman.

Also 20 grandchildren; one brother, Roscoe Waters, of Sturgis.

Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon at 2 from the Daggett Funeral Home in Barryton, with Rev. Marvin Eldridge officiating. Burial was in the North Brinton Cemetery.

The family has many friends, who offer deepest sympathy.

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Coldwater Lake

Marge Schafer, Reporter

Well, convention week again. They say you can vote for whom you want, but with those dumb voting machines you vote either straight Democratic or Republican. It's not right, in my book. (Editor's Note: It was only in the primary elections that we could not cross over on tickets. In the November elections we can--and probably will--split our tickets all ways from Sunday.)

A week ago Sunday the Donald Lorenz family of Mt. Pleasant visited at the Pete Lorenz home.

Vickie and Susie Theisen of Mt. Pleasant spent Sunday till Tuesday with Grandpa and Grandma Lorenz. Monday the three Simmer girls spent the day there.

Tuesday afternoon Loretta Lorenz called on Kate Martin and had a nice visit with her and Ida Kyser, who was visiting Kate.

Loretta called on Louise Smith in Beal City Saturday afternoon.

Lynn Schafer's mother, Dorothy Maxon, is spending a couple of weeks with her daughter and family, the William Bess family, at Daytona Beach, Fla. They are the proud parents of a baby daughter. This is the Norval Maxons' first grandchild. The paternal grandparents are Mr.

and Mrs. Cletus Bess of Mt. Pleasant.

Those in this area attending the bridal shower for Cheryl Klumpp Tuesday evening at the Deerfield Center Hall were Renelda Klumpp and daughters, Pam Klumpp, Bethal Schafer, Lynn and Jane Schafer, Ruth Klumpp and daughters, and Marge Schafer. Cheryl will be married Sept. 1 to Michael McCreery of Alma.

Heather and Josette Schafer spent Thursday evening with Grandma and Grandpa Schafer. Billy Joe Schafer spent from Friday noon till Saturday afternoon with Grandpa and Grandma Schafer. His mother, Jane Schafer, had a tooth pulled, and it hemorrhaged.

Leo and Lucile Schafer took us to Riverdale Sunday for a chicken dinner.

Last Monday Lucille Schafer and I spent the day in Mt. Pleasant.

Sunday guests at the Lorenz home were Lou Theisen and children of Mt. Pleasant, Thelma and May Jane Kolarik, and Margaret and Andy Verwey. Margaret and Andy had attended the Moose picnic at the Coldwater Lake 4-H Camp.

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the Churches

WEIDMAN UNITED METHODIST
 Rev. Athel J. Lynch, Pastor
 Office phone 644-3336, parsonage phone 644-3441.

Church School, 10 a.m.
 Worship, 11.15 a.m.
 Choir rehearsal Wednesday, 7 p.m.

United Methodist Women, 3 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 17.

WEIDMAN BAPTIST CHURCH
 (1 mile west of Weidman.)
 Pastor: Marvin Eldridge, ph. 644-3504.

Sunday School, 10 a.m.
 Morning Service, 11 a.m.
 Evening Service, 7.30 p.m.
 Choir practice (Wednesday) 7.15 p.m.
 Prayer Meeting (Wednesday) 7.30 p.m.

Church ball game Monday, 6.45 p.m.

Steve Thren spoke at our church Sunday evening. He gave a wonderful message. He and his wife, Joetta (McConnell) have a new baby boy, David Scott, born Friday night, weighing five pounds, 13 ounces.

WEIDMAN CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

Rev. John A. Wright, Minister
 Phone 644-3604
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 Morning Worship, 11 a.m.
 Choir practice 6.30 p.m.
 Evening Service, 7 p.m.
 Prayer Service, Wednesday, 7.30 p.m.

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Mr. and Mrs. James P. Quillen

Beverly Ann Smith and James P. Quillen exchanged their wedding vows in a summer wedding in St. Joseph's Church in Beal City. Rev. Father S.A. Burr officiated at the double ring ceremony before the altar decorated with bouquets of daisies and pink roses.

Parents of the bridal couple are Mr. and Mrs. Virgil J. Smith of Weidman and Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Quillen of Mount Pleasant.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, was attired in a floor length satin gown trimmed with lace and small flowers, fashioned with an empire waistline which secured her matching train. Bows and flowers held her shoulder length illusion veil. She carried a cascade arrangement of yellow baby roses, yellow daisies and baby's breath.

Carol Gross served as matron of honor and the bridesmaids included Bonnie Forbes and Ann Smith. All the attendants were sisters of the bride. They wore floor length, dotted Swiss gowns

in pink, green and yellow pastels. They carried white baskets filled with small daisies tinted to match their gowns.

Serving as best man was the bridegroom's brother-in-law, William Spencer of Mount Pleasant. The groomsmen were Vernon Smith, brother of the bride, and Marty Quillen, nephew of the bridegroom. Seating the guests were the ushers, David and Donald Parker.

The reception was held in the Knights of Columbus Hall in Beal City and was served by relatives of the bride.

The bride's mother greeted the guests wearing a street length dress in blue and white with white accessories. The bridegroom's mother chose a street length brown and white dress with white accessories. Both mothers wore corsages of white carnations tinted to match their dresses.

After a wedding trip through Canada and to Niagara Falls,

the newlyweds are now at home in Pewamo, Mich.

Out-of-town guests attended the wedding from Lansing, Pontiac, Detroit, Kalamazoo, East Tawas and Bay City.

ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH
Broomfield: Located six miles south of Weidman on Coldwater Road.

Rev. Edwin Schmelzer, Pastor. Sunday School, 9.15 a. m. Worship Service, 10.45 a. m. Ladies' Aid meets on second Wednesday of each month.

Mrs. Ida Fussman, Mrs. Helena McCormick and Mrs. Rita Duffy of Mt. Pleasant; four brothers, Wm. Lawens, Louis Lawens, Joseph Lawens, and Albert Lawens, of Vestaburg; five sisters, Mrs. Anna Starr and Miss Helen Lawens, both of Detroit; Mrs. Catherine Gross; and Mrs. Teresa Martin of Lansing; and Mrs. Philomena Honeywell of Mt. Pleasant; and 22 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren. Funeral services were held Wednesday at 10 a. m. at St. Joseph the Worker's Church in Beal City, with burial in the church cemetery.

Obituary

MARY KREMSREITER

Mrs. Mary Kreamsreiter died Sunday at CMC Hospital. She was 85. She was born Dec. 31, 1886, in Westphalia.

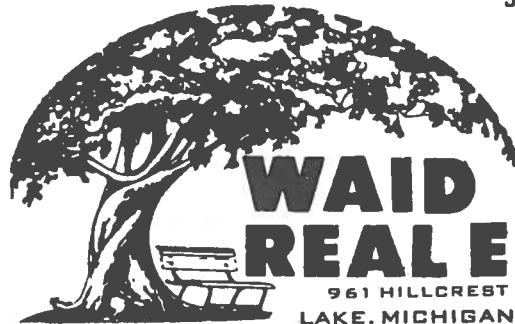
Surviving are two sons, Walter and Herman; three daughters,

Weidman Messenger

BETTER THAN A LETTER

Some buy it. A gratifying number subscribe to it. Some borrow it. Some loan it out to relatives, neighbors, friends. We don't mind a bit. because EVERYBODY READS IT!

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Beal City

Dora Smith, Reporter

A miscellaneous bridal shower was given in honor of Cheryl Klumpp at the Deerfield Township Hall last Tuesday, with 40 guests present. The evening was spent playing bingo. Refreshments were served.

Mrs. Alfred Klumpp and daughters, Cynthia and Donna, attended a shower at the home of Kathy Chick in Alma Sunday afternoon, honoring Cheryl Klumpp.

Mrs. Tony Schafer spent Sunday with the Bob Schafer family.

Mr. and Mrs. Edison Putnam are the new tenants in the Schafer apartment.

Ed Kavanaugh and family spent the weekend at the Ed Kavanaugh, Jr., home. They are building a house near Traverse City, and expect to complete it in September.

The bans of matrimony were announced for the first time Sunday in St. Joseph the Worker's Church between Dale Marvin Schumacher, son of Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Schumacher, and Marilee Kay Strauch, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. F. Strauch. Also between Blaine Edward Block, son of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Block, and Barbara Cathrine Smith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Smith of Weidman.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Martin called on Mrs. Rose Grinzinger Tuesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Grinzinger and family of Detroit have been spending a few days with his folks, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Grinzinger.

Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Smith and family spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Bob Blasen and Theresa.

Mrs. Theresa Ahlers and son-in-law and daughter from Lansing visited her daughter, Vera Blind, in Beal City last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Neubecker and son, John, of Milwaukee, Wis., spent the past week with his mother, Mrs. Leo Neubecker. Mr. and Mrs. James Neubecker and children of Lansing spent the weekend with them.

Mr. and Mrs. Steven Fox and Margaret Judge spent Sunday with Mrs. Clara Fox.

Sister Rosemarie of Grand Rapids was a Tuesday guest of her aunt, Mrs. Leo Neubecker. Her brother, Jerry Martin, of Big Rapids, was also a visitor.

Matie Pung, Jack and Minnie Schafer and three people from Portland took a trip to Ludington and across Lake Michigan for a few days last week.

Louise Smith was pleasantly surprised Saturday afternoon when Loretta Lorenz drove in for a while. We had a wonderful visit.

Rose Grinzinger fell recently and broke her right arm above the elbow.

Mrs. Frank Kremsreiter was taken to the hospital last week

with a broken hip.

The Frank Schafer auction sale Saturday had a big crowd, and everything went well.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Martin and Tillie Schafer spent Tuesday evening playing cards with Louise Smith.

Dora Smith worked for Mrs. Herman Grinzinger Tuesday.

Ed Zeien was admitted to CMC Hospital last Tuesday. Ida Tilmann also was admitted the same day.

Mr. and Mrs. Duane Grnya of Florida, and their family, called on Louise Smith Thursday morning. She is their grandmother.

Callers of Mrs. Smith Friday evening were Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Smith of Mt. Pleasant, Mrs. Arnold Simmer and daughter, Elaine.

Louise, Ann and Dora Smith attended the wedding of Larry Rau and the reception at the K. of C. Hall Friday evening. It was a nice wedding, and well attended.

Walter Kremsreiter called on the Smiths Saturday morning.

NEW BRINTON ROAD TAKES BEATING IN RAINS

The newly-paved two-mile stretch of the Brinton Road, from the Airline Road to the Coleman Road, really took a beating in the downpours the past week.

The new road was built very high; that is, the roadbed was built up a great deal.

Reports to the Messenger office Tuesday afternoon were that the new pavement was holding, but the shoulders, especially in Coldwater Township, were practically washed away.

Gray's Pond lost its dam again, according to reliable sources, and Lake Windoga was at flood stage Tuesday evening, with its banks 20 feet back from normal on account of the waters. The Vernon Road had a quarter of a mile under water. Water was reported up to the blacktop on the new Brinton Road in Coldwater Township. Coldwater Lake was almost at flood stage, growing worse during Tuesday apparently after Gray's pond went out.

Local Items

Alvin Maxon and son of Greenville were Sunday guests of the Lee Parker family.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Merritt and family of rural Clare spent Sunday afternoon with the Bernard Pitts family. Other visitors were Mr. and Mrs. Paul Perry and family of Jackson and Mr. and Mrs. LaVerne Perry of Midland.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Foster of Barryton were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Alton Allen.

Rex Garner and daughter, Jean, and his mother, Mrs. Mildred Garner, all of Vassar, spent Sun-

day with Mrs. Garner's sisters, Frances Tranbarger and Connie Skinner, at the former's home here. Mildred took the party out for dinner at the Coldwater Lake Inn, and Rex and Jean tried fishing on Lake of the Hills, with no luck. (We'll try again in September!)

Brian Embrey, nine-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Embrey, underwent surgery Friday morning at Sparrow Hospital in Lansing for a ruptured ear drum. He returned home Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Linebaugh of Pontiac came Tuesday evening and spent a few days here with her sister, Nina Forbes. Wednesday afternoon they all, including Mr. and Mrs. Russell Wilson, called at the hospital to see Mrs. Robert Holt, and visited Mr. and Mrs. Gale Brien of Shepherd. They were supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Russell Wilson.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Walz came a couple of weeks ago to stay at their son's cottage at Coldwater Lake and renew old friendships here. They left Friday for Detroit, where they will visit relatives, and then return to their lovely home in Lakeland, Fla.

EMILY WOOD RETURNS HOME AFTER HOSPITAL STAY

Mrs. Emily Wood returned to her home here last weekend after a 10-weeks stay in CMC Hospital and the Medical Care Facility.

Mrs. Wood says she is handicapped on working about her

house, but she sure is glad to be home again.

Obituary

UNA KENT

Mrs. Una Kent of Big Rapids died Sunday in an auto accident in South Carolina. She was 61.

She was born on the farm of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lincoln Smith, south of Weidman, March 29, 1911. She was employed as a clerk in the Dibble store in Big Rapids.

She spent her early life in and around Weidman, and attended school here.

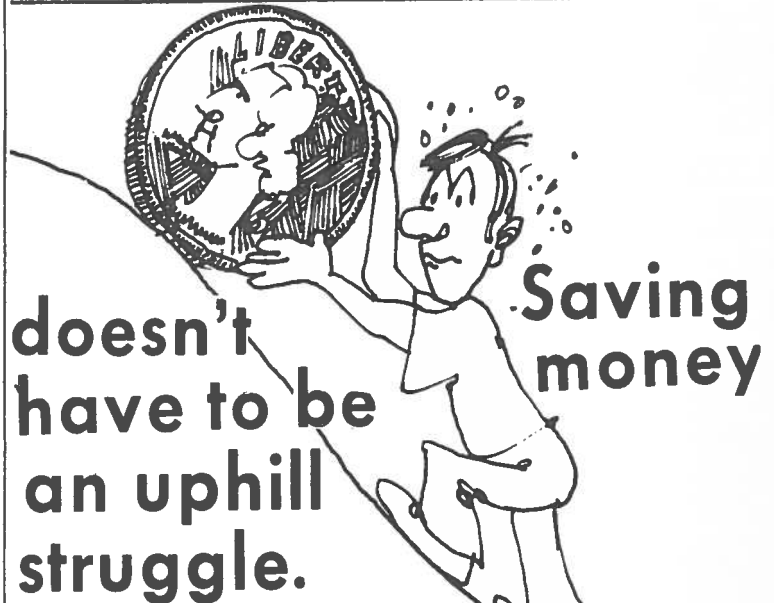
Surviving are her husband, Alonzo; two sons, Russell Lawrence of Big Rapids and Everett Lawrence of Chicago; a daughter, Mrs. Kathleen Coon of Big Rapids; and two sisters, Mrs. Marie Swindlehurst of Mt. Pleasant and Mrs. Maude Robinson of Florida.

Funeral services will be held Friday at 2 p. m. from the Crittenden Funeral Home in Remus, with burial in Fairview Cemetery at Weidman.

Weidman Messenger

HOME PAPER FOR THE WEST HALF OF ISABELLA COUNTY

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WEIDMAN

MT. PLEASANT



COUNTY FAIR HAD PRETTY GIRLS COMPETING--Eleven pretty girls competed for the crown of Miss Isabella at the Isabella County Youth and Farm Fair this week. They were representative of most portions of the county. In the front row (left to right) are Lucinda Barz, Marge Block, Ann Gross, Mary Jo Galer, and Jackie Porter. In the back row are Cindy Courser, Melanie Mayer, Pat Loetz, Rosemary Toth, Jackie Fitzpatrick, and Augusta Flaughter. Ann Gross was crowned Queen, and won an award with her piano playing.

Two Rivers

Blanche Carr, Reporter

Mrs. Ida Keyser of Crawford and Mrs. Evelyn Getchel and daughter, Joyce, of Pretty Lake visited Mrs. Kate Martin Wednesday. Mrs. Theresa Bunting and Mrs. Lucille Bollman spent Wednesday.

Mrs. Theresa Bunting and Mrs. Lucille Bollman spent Thursday with Mrs. Irene Rayborn of Belting.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Fritz and two grandsons were Monday over night guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Hines. Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher were Friday evening visitors. Mrs. Laura Fritz was also a guest.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Flaughter spent Sunday helping Richard with his house he is building in

Two Rivers.

Mrs. Minnie Flaughter took Mrs. Ralph Flaughter and her son to a Saginaw doctor for treatment of an infection in the son's ear.

Mrs. Nettie Crowley entertained the Birthday Club Thursday, in honor of her birthday. Guests included Mrs. E. R. Rhode, Mrs. Paul Lueder, and Mrs. Ethel Wager. Roderick Nicholson took her a nice bouquet of glads. Other visitors were Mrs. Edna Toarmina, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Lambert and children of Warren, and Mrs. Bob Cook.

Mr. and Mrs. Singleton Moses and family of Flushing were Saturday overnight guests of the Harold Kruegers. They all attended the Krueger reunion at Mitchell Memorial Park in Weidman Sunday.

The Charles Garrett family attended the Garrett reunion at Island Park Sunday.

Mrs. Lachlan MacGregor and children of Milford are spending the week with her folks.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Larson and son, Nels, were Wednesday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Chris Larson.

Mrs. Etta Bellinger and Clinton visited Blanche Carr Sun-

day. Mrs. Carr and Mrs. Claribel Beutler attended Busy Bees at the home of Mrs. Evelyn Denslow Thursday afternoon. Mrs. Carr visited Mrs. Lovica Krueger in Mt. Pleasant Monday afternoon.

Mrs. Marion Johnson and Mrs. Leona Courser went to Gladwin Friday to visit cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Zettel. Mrs. Lynn Johnson and children and Mrs. Dorothy Breuer called on Mrs. Courser Sunday.

Little Tracie Courser, the Tom Coursers' daughter, caught her hand in an electric fan Saturday, and hurt it quite badly.

Mrs. Thelma Pyrett and Miss Elizabeth Reed of Chippewa Lake called on Mrs. Nettie Baker Monday.

Mrs. Choice Foster and Leon McArthur visited Mr. and Mrs. Henry Craven of rural Winn Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Cook and Sandra went to Mackinaw Island and Sault Ste. Marie Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. James Wiley and family of Gregory were Sunday guests of the Bob Cooks, and took their son, Mark, home with them. He had spent the past week at the Cook home.

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Jodi Sprague spent three days at Tubbs Lake last week, camping with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Sprague, who are there on vacation. They took Jodi home Monday, and took Pami back to spend three days at the lake. Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Sprague and girls were Sunday dinner guests at the lake, honoring Bonnie's birthday.

Thank You...

I wish to express my humble gratitude to the several hundreds of voters who supported me in the winning of the Republican nomination for the office of Sheriff of Isabella County.....

...To offer my condolences to the other two candidates in one of the toughest primary races in the County.

It is my sincere hope that we can all pull together in November, not just as Republicans or Democrats, but as concerned citizens who want better, deserve better, and will get better service for their tax buck through firm, fair, and honest administration that I pledge to all.

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S. W. Sherman

Goldie Dutcher, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Fitzgerald went to Lansing Friday afternoon and picked up Florence and they attended a Tiger ball game in Detroit that evening, then they spent the weekend in Lansing and attended Open House for their daughter Florence.

Grace Fitzgerald called on me Thursday afternoon and brought me a plant.

Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Dutcher and family of Clarkston and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Dutcher and girls of Lake Orion were weekend visitors of the Ervin Dutchers. Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher, Jr., and family spent Sunday with them.

Nancy Chaffee and Rick Howard were married Saturday evening, Aug. 12, in Mt. Pleasant. A reception was held later that evening at the Chippewa Ranch.

The Huguelot reunion was held at the George Merrihew home Sunday, with 47 attending, from Lansing, Farwell, Smith Creek, DeWitt, Remus, Weidman, White Pines, UP, Coldwater Lake, Leaton, Mt. Morris, and Blanchard and Mt. Pleasant.

Rev. and Mrs. Russell Stanley and family and friend of Mt. Morris and the Monroe Dutchers of Clarkston were visitors of the George Merrihews.

Jim Dutcher was off work last week with the flu. Chum Methner was a Sunday caller.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Dutcher visited Pat Kunst of St. Louis Sunday afternoon.

Edna Merrihew and Goldie Dutcher attended Busy Bees Thursday afternoon at the home of Evelyn Denslow.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Dutcher called on the Jim Dutchers Sunday morning.

Mrs. Clayton Dutcher was ill with the flu the past two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Howe, Sr. and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Howe, Jr., and Joyce and Walter were visitors of the James Dutchers, and called on the Richard Dutchers, Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Fike were Sunday callers of the Jim Dutchers. Mr. and Mrs. Dutcher and girls visited the Stan Roomsburgs Saturday evening.

Mrs. Ervin Dutcher and Dolores were hostesses at a pink and blue shower for Linda Dutcher Sunday, Aug. 13, at the Dutcher home. Linda received lovely gifts.

Goldie Dutcher and Ronna Dutcher attended a bridal shower for Nancy Chaffee Aug. 9.

Diane Beutler spent Saturday over night with Laurel Beutler. Laurel spent Sunday over night with Diane at her home.

Mrs. Marion Beutler hosted a bridal shower for Nancy Chaffee Aug. 9, with 22 ladies in attendance. Nancy received lovely gifts.

Grace Fitzgerald, Beulah Perry,

Carol Miller and Fern Verette spent Wednesday with Merceel Graham at Lake Windoga.

The Gatehouse families have been having intestinal flu.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Tilmann, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Gatehouse, and Mr. and Mrs. Duane Thren drove to Detroit to a Tiger ball game Saturday. Mrs. Louanne Maeder and Yvonne Osborn also went with the Little Leaguers to the game.

Mrs. Larry Baker and family of White Pines came down a week ago to attend the wedding of her sister, Nancy, then they spent the week with relatives, returning home Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Gary Boyd and family of Curryville, Pa., and Dean Chaffee of Colorado Springs came home the weekend of Aug. 20 to attend the wedding of their sister, Nancy, and Rick Howard.

Donald Beutler spent Saturday over night with Billy Beutler.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Beutler attended a picnic at Crystal Lake Sunday. The children had fun swimming.

Mrs. Marion Beutler had a houseware party at the Weidman Masonic Hall Saturday.

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North Weidman

Elvah Gott, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Micky Abbott and boys and Joe Leiter spent the week of Aug. 7 at Cedar Point, Ohio.

Lois Knollenberg and family and Muriel Miller and family were visitors at the Abbott home Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Olger had Sunday dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Carl Williams of Gilmore. They called on the Ed Olgers last Thursday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Abbott called on Howard Billingsley of Alma Sunday afternoon.

Well, my family did it again! They sure fooled me. About 40 of our children's families gathered at the home of Wanda Graham Sunday. We had a pot-luck lunch, for my birthday. I received lovely gifts and money, and enjoyed a wonderful time.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Smith and Scott and Jeff of Au Gres spent the weekend at their trailer home at Coldwater Lake. They called at the Don Alwood home Saturday. On their way home they also called on Dick's mother, Mrs. Hermione Smith, at Pleasant Manor in Mt. Pleasant.

Rusty Alwood of near Detroit spent the weekend at home.

Donny Alwood was among kids on two bus loads of Little Leaguers going to Detroit to watch a ball game. The Tigers won, 10-1, and the boys enjoyed it.

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Mrs. Queen Taylor of Mt. Pleasant called on Mrs. Nina Forbes Sunday afternoon. They called on Mr. and Mrs. Martin Boger.

Brinton News

Frances Beck, Reporter

Flossie Forbes enjoyed a visit with her granddaughter, Melanie (Forbes) Wilson, and her husband when they called on her Sunday. Her sister, Caroline Alston, was also a weekend guest.

Mrs. Dewey Olger is a patient in the Lakeview Hospital at this time. We hope to see her home soon, and on the gain.

Nora Geasler and Carol Cummings and Bonnie Hyder of Rockford were in Grand Rapids Monday, shopping.

Mrs. Waneta Bryant of Indiana has been visiting her cousin, Eunice La Londe.

Mr. and Mrs. Veryl Wright of Flat Rock spent the weekend with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Wright, and attended the Wright reunion at Island Park in Mt. Pleasant Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Moore of Battle Creek spent the weekend at their trailer. Their son, David, returned home with them, after spending the week with his grandparents at Lake. They spent Saturday evening with me.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe La Londe had as their guests last week, her sisters from Detroit and Arizona.

Sympathy goes to the Wm. Lowery family in the death of his mother, Violet Lowery, who made her home in Pontiac. Funeral services were held Friday from the Coker Funeral Home, with burial in the Garfield Cemetery.

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Local Items

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Smith and son, Steven, of Buckeye, Ariz., and Mrs. Gale Brien of Shepherd spent Monday afternoon and evening with Mrs. Nina Forbes.

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Editor's Column

By Connie
CONGRESS OF FREEDOM
WILL MEET IN LANSING

An organization called the Continental Congress of American Patriots is meeting in Lansing Sept. 7 through Sept. 9, at the Olds Plaza Hotel, and we have received their flyer headed, "We're Taking Back Our Country!"

Its list of speakers is headed by Cong. John Schmitz, American Party nominee for President of the United States; and includes such names as Mrs. Mary D. Cain, who with her husband publishes a weekly newspaper in Summit, Miss.; and Harmon Cropsey, long an advocate of keeping schools confined to manageable area size.

If Ye Ed were 20 years younger, she'd be there. Anyone can attend, as membership in the American Party is not required.

As pointed out by a New York reader, daily newspapers will ignore the convention, as it is strongly "right-wing", or conservative in its political thinking.

Their platform includes: Maintenance of a federal government of limited and defined powers;

Opposition to exploitation of the United States by internationalists;

Favoring the Liberty Amendment, which would take the federal government out of competition with private enterprise and result in abolition of the personal income tax;

Seeking to get the United States out of the United Nations Organization and getting the UN off

American soil.

Favoring an end to foreign aid;
Favoring sharp curtailment of the welfare program;

Opposition to federal interference in the schools of America;
Urging sovereign states to take back their police powers: health, safety, education, morals, and the general well-being of their people;

Favoring right to work laws;
Favoring repeal of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938 and all its amendments;

Favoring freedom of the individual to live his life without federal interference.

If you're interested in their propositions, why not run down to Lansing Sept. 7, 8, and/or 9, and listen to them?

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BEAL CITY SCHOOLS
WILL OPEN AUG. 28

The Beal City public schools will open their doors for the '72-'73 school year Monday, Aug. 28, according to Carl D. Mayes, Superintendent.

Teacher orientation days will be Thursday and Friday, Aug. 24 and 25, with the faculty, Board of Education and administration meeting Friday for their annual luncheon.

Students new to the district may enroll any time during the week of Aug. 21. Office hours are 9 a. m. to 5 p. m.

Most buses will run the same schedule as last year, during the first few days, until necessary adjustments can be made. Should a family have questions about bus schedules, they may call the bus supervisor, Frank Schafer, at 644-2295.

Hot lunches and the special milk program will begin Monday, Aug. 28. Hot Lunch prices will

be \$1.25 for a weekly ticket or 30 cents per single meal.

Parents may call the Principal's office, 644-3944, or the Superintendent's office, 644-3901, for additional information.

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PERMITS NEEDED FOR
BUILDING OR MOVING HOMES
In the townships of Sherman, Coldwater and Broomfield, on this side of the county, a building permit must be obtained from the township ordinance enforcer before starting to put up a home. Elsewhere, or in most townships, building permits must be obtained from the Isabella County enforcer, Aaron Prout, of Rosebush.

The township ordinances are more lenient and also more economical to the builder or home mover than the county ordinance.

The county zoning ordinance demands at least an acre of land with 165 feet of frontage; a permit for septic system must be obtained from the County Health Department (this is also necessary according to township ordinance);

When applying for a building or mobile home moving, take along a septic-tank permit, a legal description of the property, a sketch showing location of any present buildings on the property; a driveway permit from the County Road Commission (except on lake lots, where driveways are taken into consideration on lot layout); and have the proposed building staked out for a site inspection.

Outside alterations or additions to existing buildings must be cleared by a permit.

Any new structure planned for 100 or more square feet must

have a permit. There are regulations on how close to highways and roads and corners such buildings may be placed.

In other words, if you're planning building anything, see your local authority first. He will show you the Township Ordinance and its regulations; or in townships not having ordinances, you must go to Aaron Prout of Rosebush for interpretation of county ordinance regulations.

Local Items

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Frantz spent Sunday at the home of their daughter, Mrs. Harvey Blackmer, and family, near Barryton. Mr. and Mrs. Clarence King of Mt. Pleasant were Sunday callers at the Frantz home.

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Knipfer and daughter of Lansing spent Sunday with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Goodrich. Mrs. Ronald Reynolds of Lansing spent the afternoon with them.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Edmonds left Monday morning for Mt. Pleasant to stay a few days with their son, Robert, and family, after which they planned to start for their home in New Port Ritchie, Florida. They have spent the past several weeks with their sister, Mrs. Vera Hagerman.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Louisell spent last week at Grand Haven and Spring Lake, visiting their sons and families, the William, Jr., and Richard Louisell families.

Mr. and Mrs. Gary McArthur hosted a birthday party last Wednesday evening for their daughter, Lisa, on her second birthday. Six guests were present for ice cream and birthday cake.

Isabella County Youth and Farm Fair

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THURSDAY, AUGUST 24th. (Farmers' Day)

9:00 A.M. JUDGING OF DAIRY EXHIBITS
9:30 A.M. 4-H HORSE SHOW
9:30 A.M. SWINE SHOWMANSHIP
11:00 A.M. SHEEP SHOWMANSHIP
1:00 P.M. HORSE PULLING

Grandstand Prices - Adults \$1.00
Children .50 (12 & Under)

1:30 P.M. BEEF SHOWMANSHIP
7:30 P.M. LIVESTOCK PARADE
8:00 P.M. LIVESTOCK AUCTION - STEERS-HOGS-LAMBS

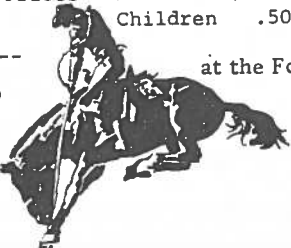
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FRIDAY, AUGUST 25th. (Merchants' Day)

10:00 A.M. DAIRY SHOWMANSHIP
10:00 A.M. HORSE JUDGING CONTEST
1:00 P.M. LIVESTOCK JUDGING CONTESTS
7:00 P.M. PRESENTATION OF 4-H SPECIAL AWARDS
8:00 P.M. J-BAR-J RODEO

Grandstand Prices - Adults \$2.00
Children 1.00 (12 & Under)

SATURDAY, AUGUST 26th. (Senior Citizens' Day)

1:30 P.M. J-BAR-J RODEO
Grandstand Prices - Adults \$2.00
Children 1.00 (12 & Under)

3:00 P.M. Entries Released (all exhibits removed by 6:00
8:00 P.M. J-BAR-J RODEO
Grandstand Prices - Adults \$2.00
Children 1:00 (12 & Under)

Finale Fireworks