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A SMALL SEGMENT--Of one of the long lines of snowmobiles parked on the rolling meadows of the Elwood Miller farm Sunday for the Second Annual Little Mac Bridge celebration. The meadows were also filled with parked cars, parked trailer houses and campers. Estimates of attendance ran around the 1,400 mark, a remarkable crowd of snow lovers and outdoor-dinner fans. Messenger photo

At a meeting of the three organizations involved, Monday evening, it was determined that \$4,235.05 in cash was counted, with more to come in.

It was determinded that 1,200 admission tickets were sold, with with 1,300 to 1,400 people on the scene.

A helicopter on the grounds had a busy day, taking in over \$300 for rides.

It was agreed by all that this year's Little Mac Day was a huge success, with good co-ordination of all food services and other details.

"Every year we just have to learn a little, how to do it better next time," a Fireman's wife said this week.

Rich Little, photographer for Mort Neff and Jerry Chiapetta's Michigan Outdoors, was there, and word from that television program Monday was that the scenes probably will be shown in two or three weeks. Word will be sent here beforehand so that local people can catch the show. It will not be on Michigan Outdoors this Thursday evening, as many had expected, but is slated for the later show-

ing.

Harry Allen was there with his team of big and beautiful dappled-gray Percherons, giving free sleigh rides to kids of all ages. The horses, and the box sleigh, were a finishing touch to the beauty of the farm-fields scenery on the Miller farm.

Women on the serving line at the long table dishing out plates of roast-pig dinner with all the trimmings ran out of pig-meatafter serving up four whole hogs! Fresh hams were on the coals, however, and saved the day for the diners.

The startling success of the second annual Lil! Mac Bridge Day has given rise to plans for bigger and better winter-fun celebrations there in the future.

DEADLINE ON DOG LICENSES COMING RIGHT UP

The deadline for obtaining dog licenses without penalty is March 1, coming right up. Price for tags is \$2 for un-

sexed dogs and \$5 for males and females. After March 1 the price will double.

Walter J. Smith is taking census on all dogs in the village of Weidman this week.



BOB KIRVAN, HARRY PUNG, ELWOOD MILLER--Receive honor plaques from the Nottawa and Sherman Township Volunteer Fire Department at the scene of the Little Mac celebration Sunday afternoon, a complete surprise to all of them. Bob is a retired Fireman and also an ardent worker on preparations for the Little Mac days; Harry also works long and arduously on preparing and roasting the pigs for the dinner--four pigs over charcoal fires this year; and of course Elwood is especially honored, along with his wife, Iola, for their hospitality in turning over their beautiful private farmlands to public enjoyment on the Little Mac Bridge celebration days. The Messenger camera failed to pick up the lettering on the plaques, in the brilliant sunshine of the day. Attendance at this year's Little Mac celebration days was estimated at more than twice that of last year. Thanks to the Elwood Millers, Weidman may yet have a winter sport attraction rated as a major event in the state's winter celebrations.

Two Rivers

Blanche Carr, Reporter

The Lutheran Ladies' Aid met Wednesday evening with Mrs. Gale Krueger as hostess, in the

church parlors.
Mrs. Cleo Wiley and Mrs. Arnold Bingham called on Mrs.
E.R.Rhode Thursday. Mrs. Joe
Gostola was a Sunday visitor.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Allen called on Mr. and Mrs. Russell Eberly and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bush of Tubbs Lake Tuesday afternoon. They called on Mr. and Mrs. John Gallagher of Clare Wednesday. Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Hines called on the Allens Wednesday evening.

nesday evening.
Mr. and Mrs. Allen picked up
Mr. and Mrs. Walter Bower last
Thursday and went to Williamston and from there to the Hugh
Hartungs of Jackson. Evening
guests were Mr. and Mrs. Richard Rhode.

The Harry Allens visited Mr. and Mrs. Harold Clare of Millersburg, Ind., and the Charles Fredericks of Kendallville, Ind. Saturday. They took a team of their beautiful draft horses on a sleigh to the Little Mac Bridge celebration Sunday, and called at the Gerald Losey home on their way home.

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hines Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Danny Creyts and children and Miss Gladys Fritz of Lansing.

Mrs. Cleo Wiley of Pontiac, Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Bingham of Franklin, Mrs. Otto Wiley of Northville, the James Wileys of Gregory, and Bill Wiley of Howell visited relatives and attended the funeral of Maycie Cooke Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Flaugher helped Mrs. Bert Chaffee celebrate her birthday anniversary Saturday. They spent Wednesday evening with the Richard Flaughers. Mr. and Mrs. Russell Flaugher and family of Midland were Sunday breakfast guests of the folks.

Mrs. Leona Courser was hostess to 13 members of the CMB Club Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Herb Woodruff were Monday afternoon visitors of Mrs. Courser.

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Mr. and Mrs. Tom Courser
made a trip to Maumee, Ohio,
Saturday on business.

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Mrs. Lola Reed called on Mrs.

Choice Foster Sunday afternoon.

Choice Foster Sunday afternoon.
Mr. and Mrs. Terry Leiter of
Laurel, Ind., and the Lachlan
MacGregors of Milford were
weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs.
Charles Garrett. Other visitors
were Mr. and Mrs. Terry Martin
and Mrs. and Mrs. Charles Garrett, Jr., and baby, Sunday,
and Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Keysor
of Saginaw, Monday.

Mrs. Edna Toarmina and Mrs. Sofia Abdoo of Warren were Tuesday and Wednesday guests of Mrs. Nettie Crowley and Jay

Leinaar.

Mr. and Mrs. Marty Kelsey and Blanche Carr attended the Roland Campbell funeral in Mt. Pleasant Saturday, as did others from the area.

Mrs. Loretta Lorenz and Clarence and Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Bierschbach were Friday evening guests of Mrs. Kate Martin and Ray. Edwin Martin of Lakeview visited his grandmother Saturday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Terry Martin called Sunday.

S. W. Sherman

Goldie Dutcher, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Secord of Holt had supper with us Thursday, and spent the evening. They had visited Percy at Weidman, and done some cleaning for him. They came back up Friday, bringing Percy a new bed.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Dutcher and boys of east Mt. Pleasant visited us Friday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. William Reming-

Mr. and Mrs. William Remington and family of Saginaw spent Friday with the Ervin Dutchers, Sr. They were supper guests of the Ervin Dutchers, Jr.

The Ervin Dutchers, Sr., visited the Ervin Dutchers, Jr., Saturday evening. Beth Hogg and Sue Snider and girl friend visited Steve Dutcher one day.

Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher called at the Crittenden Funeral Home Tuesday evening to pay respects to Maycie Cook.

Ronna Dutcher spent Monday evening with the Ervin Dutchers. The Ervin Dutchers and Beth Hogg attended the Vanishing Wilderness show in Mt. Pleasant Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. James Dutcher and girls had dinner with the Dale Dutchers Thursday. Jim's spent Sunday with her folks, the Stan Roomsburghs, of Blanchard. The Robert Dutchers and Garry Dutcher visited the Jim Dutchers Tuesday evening. Jim's called on the Brian Dutchers Saturday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Hissong and family of Montague spent Saturday over night with the Garry Dutchers.

Mr. and Mrs. Foor and family came up Sunday morning and they all attended the pig roast

with Garry's.

Mr. and Mrs. David Rosenburg and family spent Saturday over night with the Robert Dutchers, and they all attended the pig roast on the Elwood Miller farm.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Howe and Sharon Garland and Larry Cook visited us Sunday, on their way to the pig roast at Lil' Mac Bridge.

Our visitors this week were the Richard Dutchers, Robert Dutchers, and Jim Dutchers. Percy Secord spent Sunday over

night with us.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Dutcher rode their snowmobile up to the pig roast Sunday. Patti spent the

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the Bundy Hills, having lots of

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1899 LAND OWNERSHIP PLATS Of Coldwater, Gilmore, Sherman, Nottawa, Broomfield and Deerfield Townships; and Village Plats of Weidman, showing the railroad cutting through town and crossing the road twice; the Village of Brinton, showing the location of the charcoal kilns; also village plats of Sherman City and Winn. Supply is limited. Now on sale at most business places in Weidman, and of course at the Messenger office. Sponsored by the Weidman Business Association, a nonprofit organization.

FOR SALE--1972 Maverick, 170 six cylinder. Brand new rubber all the way round. \$1,300.00. Mike Wilkinson, ph. 644-2726. Feb. 14t2

FOR SALE--Aldens electric sewing machine, three drawers cabinet, \$35.00. Heavy 2wheel trailer, 1 1/4 to 1 1/2 yard box, \$75.00. Pickup camper, sleeps 4, jacks, toilet, stove, \$500.00. 5678 W. Jordan Road, Coldwater Lake, Ph. 644-3967.

Feb. 7tf

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RUMMAGE SALE--Inside my house at 3140 Second Street, Weidman, this week Thursday, Friday, Saturday. Feb. 21t1

WANTED--Used T-shirt or sweat shirt material for polishing the fire trucks. Please leave at the Spike Branson home or call 644-3507. Nottawa and Sherman Volunteer Fire Department. Feb. 21tf

HOW DO YOU FEEL--About the death penalty for first-degree murder? A petition drive is under way to get the question on the ballot next November. There are petition sheets at the Messenger office if you care to sign. The petition is only for placement of the proposition on the ballot in the November, 1974, elections.

Feb. 21tf

NOTICE--Anyone missing pans or other serving dishes donated for the Lil' Mac Bridge dinner, please call Pauline Branson,

HOME PAPER FOR THE WEST HALF OF ISABELLA COUNTY

LEGAL

of the Township of Sherman, Isabella County, Michigan, of-ficially approved the amendments and supplements to the original Zoning Ordinance of said Township as proposed by the Zoning Board of said Township, on Monday, Feb. 18, 1974.

KEITH LOOMIS Township Clerk Feb. 21t1

bituary

WILLIAM P. PUNG William P. Pung died last Tuesday, Feb. 12, at the Medical Care Facility in Mr. Pleasant. He was 90 years old.

He was born Feb. 8, 1884, in Nottawa Township, and was a lifelong resident.

He was a member of St. Joseph the Worker Church in Beal City, a charter member of the Beal City Knights of Columbus, and a member of the Holy Name Society.

Funeral services were held Friday, Feb. 15, at 10 a.m. from St. Joseph the Worker Church, with Father Donald Dueweke officiating. Burial was in the church cemetery.

The Beal City Knights of Columbus said the rosary at the 8.30 Thursday evening at the Rush Funeral Home in Mt. Pleasant.

Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Edward (Irene) Fedewa and Mrs. Patrick (Dorothy) Finnerty; three sons, Bernard, Henry and Steve; three sisters, Mrs. Louise Smith, Mrs. Matilda Schafer and Mrs. Rose Grinzinger; and 22 grandchildren, 55 great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild. ---0--

Card of Thanks

We wish to express our sincere appreciation to each and every one who helped in any way toward making the March of Dimes bake sale another contribution

for our handicapped.
A special "Thank You" to Jim Damitio for letting us have the sale in his hardware store; the business places for letting us display the signs in their wondows; the ladies who served on the calling committee for us as well as the ones who made the signs and worked the day of the sale.
A good job well done by all.

Bea Gross and Leila Shook

Card of Thanks

We wish to thank all of our friends and neighbors who showed us so many kindnesses during our bereavement in the loss of our loved one.

For the food that was brought in; the ladies of the Zion Lutheran Church who prepared and served dinner; for flowers, and memorials to the Zion Lutheran Organ Fund.

The Family of Maycie Irene Cook

Card of Thanks

I want to personally thank all the many folks who worked so hard and effectively in the prep-aration for the Little Mac cel-

ebration Sunday, Feb. 17; I want to thank especially all those many people of the Weidman and Beal City areas who worked, long hard hours Sunday to make the outdoor dinner a huge success. It couldn't have been done without the help of each and every one of you; from the women who made homebaked bread and then stood on the serving line all day dishing up the dinners; and to the ones who worked over the bean-soup kettles, and the meat cutters, and the ticket takers, and all and everybody who worked so hard to make this year's Lil' Mac Bridge celebration day the biggest event yet.

Thanks to those men who worked long hard hours preparing and roasting the four whole hogs; and thanks to everybody else who worked so hard and made the day a whopping suc-

Of course, our greatest thanks to Elwood and Iola Miller for their hospitality and generosity in opening the lovely farm to the public.

And a nod to Connie Skinner for her publicity work in the Weidman Messenger and other news media.

The day was perfect, and it was made a wonderful event by all you wonderful folks who pitched in and worked so hard, in every capacity and detail.

I want to personally thank you all. Fire Chief Spike

Weidman Messenger

HOME PAPER FOR THE WEST HALF OF ISABELLA COUNTY

Beal City

Dora Smith, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Schumacher, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Schumacher, and Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Hauck went to Kentucky last Wednesday to attend a farm machinery show, returning Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Schafer took care of the children while the two couples were away

Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Smith and family of Lansing called on Mr. and Mrs. Bob Blasen and Theresa Smith Sunday. Dora Smith called on Theresa and June Tuesday evening.

Delores and Brian Gould call-

edo on Grandma Smith Wednesday morning. Gerald and Loret-ta Smith and Tillie Zuker were callers after the funeral of Wm. Pung Friday.

Nora Simmer and Doris Til-mann of Reed City came out to see Will Pung Thursday afternoon at the funeral home. They visited friends around Beal City while here. It was a large funeral Friday, and a lovely din-

Mr. and Mrs. Paul McGinnis, Marie Laubenthal and Helen Dahlquist and Mr. and Mrs. Stih of Lake City, were here to attend the funeral of Will Pung Friday.

Callers of Louise Smith Sunday afternoon were Miss Gertrude Grodsky of Mt. Pleasant, Mr. and Mrs. Art Proefrock and children of Reed City, and Doll Rau.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Schafer returned home Friday afternoon after spending a week at Ontonagon with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Milo Eldred of Blanchard, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Schafer and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Ash of Winn and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Schafer of Mt. Pleasant. Mrs. Donald Swan and daughter, Dorothy Ash of Chippewa Lake, all attended the funeral of Wm. Pung Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Pung of St. Johns spent the weekend with relatives around here.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Schafer spent Sunday afternoon with Mrs. Tony Schafer.

Mrs. Orrie Farner spent Sunday with Mrs. Schafer. Mrs. Gertrude Schafer was a Friday guest. Mrs. Elkins is visiting her sister in Portland.

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NEWS NOTES Mr. and Mrs. Doug Orton and family of Farwell were this Monday supper guests of the Bernard Pitts family.

Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Youngs and daughter of West Branch spent the weekend with the Spike Branson family, and attended the pig roast at the Little Mac Bridge celebration Sunday.

HOME PAPER FOR THE WEST HALF OF ISABELLA COUNTY

Coldwater Lake Marjorie Schafer, Reporter

We called on Walt and Della Wischmeyer Wednesday evening. Don and Judy Schafer and children visited us Friday evening.

Bill and Lynn Schafer spent Saturday night with Tom and Chris Appelgreen near Leaton. Their son, Brian, spent the night with Grandma Maxon.

Don and Judy Schafer and chil dren had dinner and supper with her mother, Mrs. Mildred Haynes, of Deerfield Center, Sunday.

Bob Kolarik arrived home last Tuesday afternoon from Spain to attend the funeral of his father, Howard Kolarik.

Tuesday night Mr. and Mrs. Carl Reszka of Detroit and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Reszka of Ohio, and Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Jacobs of Big Rapids visited at the funeral home to pay respects to Howard Kolarik.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Jacobs and Mr. and Mrs. Don Jacobs of Flint, Jack and Helen Lorenz of Rothbury attended the funeral also Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Bierschbach of Detroit spent from Wednesday till Sunday with his sister, Loretta Lorenz. Thursday Mr. and Mrs. Bierschbach and Loretta called on Woody and Joe Martin. They visited Lester and Mary Terwilliger of Weidman also. Friday they and Clarence called on the Ronnie Lorenz family and Kate and Ray Martin. They had dinner with Thelma Kolarik and sons.

Friday evening visitors at the Lorenz home were Mr. and Mrs. Bob Decker and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Simmer. Saturday Mr. and Mrs. Bierschbach and Loretta shopped in Mt. Pleasant.

Lisa, Laura and Lois Simmer spent Saturday with Loretta Lor-

Monday of this week was Mr. and Mrs. Frank Haupt's weddirg anniversary. Our congratulations.

Sunday Leona Perrin, Loretta Lorenz and Clarence and Mr. and Mrs. Bierschbach enjoyed dinner at the pig roast at the Little Mac Bridge celebration at the Elwood Miller farm in northwest Sherman township.

The Jack Lorenz family of Rothbury spent Sunday with the Bill Lorenz family in Mt. Pleasant. Their son from the Soo area, in college there, was there, and they enjoyed the visit. They stopped at the Lorenz place on their way home.

Loretta Lorenz cared for her granddaughter, Lisa Simmer, Monday, who was out of school,

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Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Pitts and Mrs. Grace Pitts were Friday supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ron Apple in Lansing.

BIRTHDAY PARTY FOR MABEL KLUMPP

Her family had a birthday party for Mrs. Mabel Klumpp at the Ardis Nursing Home in Farwell Sunday, honoring her 81st birthday.

Those attending were Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Klumpp and daughters, Cindy and Donna, of Mt. Pleasant, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Schafer of Coldwater Lake, Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Schafer and Kelli and Billy of Rosebush, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Stowell and Micky and Rusty of Shepherd,

Helen Scott of Shepherd, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Kinkead and two children of Sumner, Mrs. James Nestle and Leanne, Jeff and John of Mt. Pleasant, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Dickey of Owos-

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Klumpp and Gregg, Pennie and Karen of Beal City, Mr. and Mrs. Rick Klumpp and Robbie and Brian of Mt. Pleasant, Alice Faber of Mt. Pleasant, Mr. and Mrs. Gale Zingery and Laurie of Mt. Pleasant, and Mrs. Lilly of Shepherd.

All enjoyed ice cream and cake, and visiting, and taking family pictures.

Mrs. Klumpp received nice

gifts from her family and relatives.

---0---BETTER THAN A LETTER

they're married

Deanne Faith Momany, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ross Momany of Big Rapids, became the bride of Roger Foust Saturday evening, Feb. 16, in a ceremony in the Family Room of the Weidman United Methodist Church, with Rev. Athel Lynch officiating.

It was attended by the family.

Deanne's bridesmaids all wore white, floor-length look-alike dresses, as did also the bride's mother.

Ruth Momany, Deanne's grand-mother, was presented with a white carnation corsage.

The young couple will make their home near Big Rapids. ---0---

NEWS NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell McArthur spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Douglas McArthur and Eric.

Mr. and Mrs. Adelbert Pung of St. Johns were weekend visitors of her mother, Mrs. Esther Stan-ley. They took her to Clare Friday evening to visit her sisters, Mrs. Doris Mitchell and Mrs. Dorothy Shepherd.

Saturday guests of the Harlan Snider family were Mr. and Mrs. Robert Keiser and two children of Belding.

BETTER THAN A LETTER





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MICHAEL J. FORBES

Michael J. Forbes, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fay Forbes of Brinton, and Larry H. Block, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. J. Block of Beal City, have graduated from recruit class and are qualified as probationary Michigan State Police troopers.

Police troopers.

Michael Forbes has been assigned to the Brighton Post, and Larry Block has been assigned

to the Ionia Post.

They graduated with 47 other members of the class Feb. 8, in ceremonies at the National Guard Armory in Lansing. The class started Nov. 5 with 73 recruits. Our two young men are among the 47 out of 73 starting to make good in the training



LARRY H. BLOCK period. They reported to their new assignments last Thursday

new assignments last Thursday, Feb. 14.

Larry Block has a brother serving with the Michigan State Police, Sgt. Arnold Block, who is stationed at the Caro Post.

Only 17 out of a hundred ever make it into the school, out of all applicants, it was pointed

Needless to say, parents of the two new Troopers, as well as their relatives and friends, are very proud.

Mike Forbes graduated from Chippewa Hills High School and also from Central Michigan University at Mt. Pleasant.

Mike had wanted to apply for

State Police training on graduating from high school, but his parents urged him to go on to college before applying.

college before applying.

After his graduation, he was asked if he thought he could have made it straight from high school, and Mike said, "No way!"

With graduation of this latest class, the State Police Department's enlisted strength is 1,968, 61 below the current authorized complement of 2,029.

The next recruit class is slated to begin Feb. 25.

West Gilmore

Lena Cole, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Swan of Mt. Pleasant visited the Paul Coles Tuesday. The Coles visited Mrs. Orma Kripa and Ed Bearse in CMC Hospital last Monday.

Tony Masachuk returned to his farm last Thursday. It was due to his three-day work week.

Little Ronnie Mahon is on the sick list again.

Many friends called to help Yours Truly celebrate her birthday Feb. 13.

Mrs. Barbara Dennis made a beautiful birthday cake for my day.

day.
Tony Masachuk visited his father and brother in Ludington over the weekend.

Mrs. Orma Kripa returned home from CMC Hospital Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Payton Geasler visited his brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Martin Boger, and his brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Geasler, the latter part of last week.

Daryl Worth was home over

A Good Selection of Bridal Fabrics and Laces Réasonably Prices the weekend, and led the 4-H project at the Brinton Chapel. The Brinton Hall's water was frozen up, and the meeting was transferred to the chapel.

The Brinton Quilting Club is

The Brinton Quilting Club is meeting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Boger this Tuesday. The club is making lap robes for patients at the Medical Care Facility at Mt. Pleasant.

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BEAL CITY SENIOR CITIZENS HAVE 16 1/2 TABLES IN PLAY

At their regular card party last Thursday afternoon, the Beal City Senior Citizens had 16 1/2 tables of pepper in

Mrs. Otto Skalitzky won first prize for the ladies, with Mrs. Agnes Sheahan second. Kitty Gross won low.

Joe Lawens won first for the men, with Earl Blodgett second. Jack Schumacher won the

pepper prize. Mildred Young won the door prize.

The committee served refreshments of sandwiches, pickles and coffee.

The next card party at the K.C. Hall in Beal City will be Thursday afternoon, Feb. 28. Everyone everywhere is invited.

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Local Items

Ruth Momany's birthday was Valentine's Day, last week; and she received a nice pin from Mrs. Woodrow Smith and daughter; and also one from Diane Benn.

Mr. and Mrs. David Moore and family of Lake Thirtenn were Sunday dinner guests of Mrs. Esther Stanley.

BETTER THAN A LETTER





Around Horr

Jessie Rosencrantz, Reporter

Sunday afternoon callers of the Gerald Losey family were Mr. and Mrs. Harry Allen, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Gross and boys, Charlene Gross and Robbie, Nancy Losey, and Mr. and Mrs. Dick Curtiss.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Losey, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Jackson, Mr. and Mrs. Al Cochran and Mick, and Mr. and Mrs. Theron Merrihew attended the Little Mac Bridge day at the Elwood Millers' Sunday.

Others from around here who attended were Mr. and Mrs. Earl Oplinger, Mr. and Mrs. Benn Johnson and children, the Gerald Dent family, and Mr.

and Mrs. Wilbur Wright. Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Ergo were weekend guests at the Jim Thompson home. Bill Thompson spent the weekend at Big Rapids, attending a District UMYF Retreat.

Ivan Dutcher called on Mrs. Flora Wood Sunday afternoon, on his way home from the Little Mac Bridge celebration,

Mrs. Eva Denslow and Mrs. Flora Wood attended Bible study at the Harold Smith home last Thursday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Miller were Wednesday dinner guests at the Gerald Dent home.

The Dents saw two meadow larks last Tuesday--a sign of

spring! Walter Kirvan was a Saturday caller at the Dent home. Tom Kirvan and two children of

Baltimore, Md., were callers. Raymond Kirvan was a Thursday caller of the Dents. Mrs. Shirley Crawford and children and Wayne Woodbury were Sunday afternoon callers. All the Dents' children and their families were home for the weekend.

Mrs. Halla Lovell and Mrs. Mary Strait were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Mack Denslow. Carl and Daisy Embrey were afternoon callers.

Mr. and Mrs. Berl Denslow returned from an enjoyable trip to Florida. Their Sunday dinner guests were her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Rex Van Sickle and her grandmother, Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Sloan, and Mrs. Opal Denslow,

Mrs. Ruby Williams of Clare

was a Sunday supper guest of Mrs. Opal Denslow. Mrs. Denslow attended the funeral of her uncle, Clarence Tice, in Mt. Pleasant Tuesday. Mr. Tice was almost 91 years old.

Mrs. Nettie Lawrence called on her sister, Mrs. Merle Scott, Thursday.

Mrs. Opal Denslow is very glad to report that her brotherin-law, Albert Miller, had returned home from the Lansing hospital, where he had an eye transplant. He was using the eye, which surprised the doctors. They had not expected him to be able to use it for a couple of weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Gale Merrihew and Mr. and Mrs. Dale Merrihew and two children and Mr. and Mrs. Dick Touchinski and children spent the weekend with the Elwood Millers.

Harold Losey and Mr. and Mrs. Theron Merrihew were Sunday callers at the Charlie Losey home. Ardith also called on me.

Ivan Dutcher and Mrs. Minnie Strauch were callers of the Loseys Wednesday, and took Hat-tie to Maycie Cook's funeral.

Mr. and Mrs. Steven Aldrich were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Wright. Mr. and Mrs. Max Aldrich were evening callers.

Mrs. Katie Smith suffered a fall last week, cracking her pelvis bone. She will be in CMC Hospital for some time. ---0---

Local Items

Mrs. Grace Pitts spent the weekend with her daughter, Mrs. Elaine Esterline, in Farwell.

Rev. and Mrs. Carl Allen of Midland are among a group traveling to the Holy Land, beginning their journey this Monday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Allen were in Lansing Monday during surgery for their son, Greg, on his leg.

Mrs. Claribel Beutler was a Sunday dinner guest of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Beutler and family, celebrating the birthday of her grandson, Donald. His other grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Sanderson of St. Charles, were also guests.

Mrs. Burr Abrahamson of Mt. Pleasant spent Sunday afternoon with Mrs. Ethel Bywater.

Mr. and Mrs. Royal Harrison



EATING OUTDOORS IS FUN--Even in winter, as these folks found Sunday at the Little Mac Bridge celebration. Shown above is just a small fraction of the lines of tables and people enjoying the roast-pork dinner. Howard Lee Sunderman of Shepherd was the lucky winner of a 150pound lamb donated for the occasion by Elwood and Iola Miller. Messenger photo

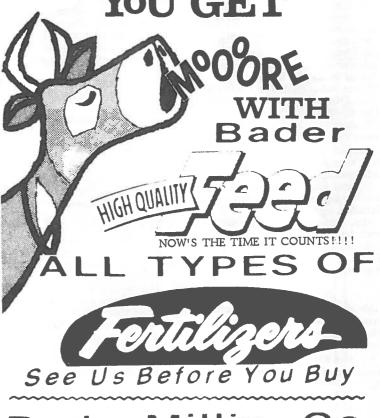
and family of Breckenridge spent Saturday night with the Dennis Embrey family and attended the Little Mac Bridge celebration Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Embrey were among the many attending the Little Mac Bridge celebration Sunday. They also visited Mr. and Mrs. Mack Denslow, and Mr. and Mrs. Howard Blackmer of Broomfield.

Mr. and Mrs. K.C. Charnes of Mt. Pleasant were Sunday afternoon visitors of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Charnes, and his grandmother, Mrs. Emma Middlesworth.

Miss Cheryl Pitts of Lansing spent the weekend at her home here.

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Walker Creek News

Mary Loomis, Reporter

THEY'RE MARRIED

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Orval Reed, who were married Jan. 18.

They returned from their wedding trip to South Carolina and Florida.

His son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Glen Hurd, and boys from Cheyenne, Wyoming, are spending this week with them. Mr. and Mrs. William Curoski of Sheridan were Sunday overnight guests. Mr. and Mrs. Steven Pyrett and family of Big Rapids were Friday evening vis-

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Mr. and Mrs. Greg Leiter and family were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Warren Leiter and family. Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Loomis were afternoon visitors.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Terwilliger were Saturday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Gray and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Loomis and family were Sunday supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Loomis. Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Emmons

spent Friday in Belding to attend the funeral of Mary's brother, Lester Badder. Mr. and Mrs. Nor man Miller of Clarkston visited at the Emmons home Sunday. Other callers during the weekend were Mr. and Mrs. Albert Goodstell and family and Mr. and Mrs. Orval Reed.

Mr. and Mrs. James Theisen entertained company from Lansing over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Voss were Saturday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bert Chaffee, in honor of Mabel's birthday. Mr. and Mrs. Joe Wilmot were Friday evening

visitors at the Voss home. Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Dillenbeck were Tuesday evening visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Austin Dent. They spent Sunday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Art Savage in Mt. Pleasant. Mr. and Mrs. Howard Haskins of Barryton were Wednesday evening visitors of the Dillenbecks.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Skalitzky called on her sister, Kate, at Lakeview Sunday afternoon. Their Sunday evening visitors were Mr. and Mrs. Del Esterline of Farwell. Bob Corwin was a Monday caller.

Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Schrock and family were Friday supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Schrock, in honor of Art's birth-day. They were Tuesday supper guests of her folks, Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Owens. Mr. and Mrs. Jacques Coon were also guests. The occasion was Mrs. Coon's birthday. Gilbert and Philip attended the festivities at the Lil' Mac Bridge Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Karyl Hartzler visited the Schrocks one evening

during the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Steve Boatman of Cedar Rapids visited Mr.and Mrs. Charles Loomis during the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Dosenberry spent Saturday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Ray Patterson at Mar-

We called on Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Loomis Saturday afternoon, and visited Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Loomis and family Sunday evening. Their daughter, Barb, spent Sunday over night with us.

The Wm. Wilcox family attended graduating exercises for their daughter, Cathy, Friday evening, when Cathy graduated from a business course through that school.

The Wilcoxes and children attended the show, "The Vanishing Wilderness," at Mt. Pleasant

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North Weidman Elvah Gott, Reporter

Cathy Alwood celebrated her 11th birthday on Valentine Day by taking two of her girl friends to the Pixie Restaurant in Mt. Pleasant so she could get her free treat and sign up for a war bond for the month of February. After the girls returned to Cathy's home, they enjoyed cake and ice cream, and the neighbor girls, Lori and Becky England, joined them. Grandma Gott made Cathy's birthday cake.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Maltby of Mt. Pleasant and Ernest Schmidt of Nottawa were recent callers at the Don Alwood home.

Mrs. Helen Alwood and Cathy attended a home products party at the Chum Methner home given by Mrs. Fonda Alwood, last Wednesday evening. Mr. Methner is home recovering from a gall bladder operation two weeks

ago. Mrs. Blanche Carr, Mrs. Emma Middlesworth, Mrs. Claribel Beutler and Mrs. Helen Alwood attended the funeral of their lifelong friend and neighbor, Mrs. Maycie Cook, last Wednesday af-ternoon at the Broomfield Zion Lutheran Church.

Jim Wright of Clarkston called on Mr. and Mrs. Max Aldrich and Kelly Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Ray Prout of Rosebush were Sunday callers.

Mr. and Mrs. Micky Abbott and boys, Muriel Miller and family and Mr. and Mrs. Tom Kennedy and family and Mr. and Mrs. Duane Chapman and family of Mt. Pleasant enjoyed pot-luck dinner with Mrs. Lois Knollenberg and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ptak called on us Friday afternoon. We called on Mr. and Mrs. Dick Gott Sunday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Allen called on us Sunday evening.

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Local Items

Both of the twin girls of Mr. and Mrs. Spike Branson have been in CMC Hospital this week suffering from croup. They were reported as improving Tuesday morning, but they were expected to be there a few days

Mr. and Mrs. Emil Phillips

spent last Wednesday in Harrison. Friday they went to Bay City to visit her brother in the hospital, who had surgery. Sunday they were birthday dinner guests of their niece and family, the Vern Grice family, in Bay

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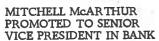
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AT THE LITTLE MAC BRIDGE...



YUMMY BEAN SOUP--Was cooked slowly in two huge selffired kettles or vats. The soup was stirred by dint of clean canoe paddles, and it was thick and generous with pork bits, and utterly delicious. Messenger photo



Mitchell McArthur, of the Weidman Branch of the Isabella Bank and Trust, has been named a Senior Vice President, and he is also in charge of all the bank's branches and any additional branches.

Mitch was a Junior Vice President at the time of the merger of the Weidman Bank with Isabella Bank and Trust, and before that he was cashier and a member of the Board of Directors of the old bank.

He has a wide acquaintance in this area, and his office is in the Weidman Branch here.

He has been with this bank since the autumn of 1947, and before that was with the Exchange Savings Bank in Mt. Pleasant for three years. He is in his 29th year of banking business.

His promotion was announced at a recent meeting of the Isabella Bank and Trust, and was among several other promotions.

Brinton News Frances Beck, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Ken Baker spent the weekend in Grand Rapids, where they called on her brother, Clifford Cheadle, Friday. They were overnight guests Saturday of their son, John, and wife. They spent some time with Ken's sister, Lorena Wise. Sunday they called on Nettie

Baker in Deerfield Township. Mr. and Mrs. Otis Geasler of Pontiac spent last week with Carl and Ellen Geasler and other relatives, and did some fishing while here.

David Crook came Friday to the Joe La Londe home and his wife returned home with him after two weeks here while her mother was in the hospital, due to a broken hip. Mrs. La Londe has been transferred to the Midland facility, and is reported as doing satisfactorily. Dad and I called on Lillie Don-

Dad and I called on Lillie Donald and Howard McDonald near Marion Sunday afternoon. Gilda Teeter called on her

doctor in Remus Thursday. Lewis Bowen was in Charlotte Wednesday, attending a Federal Land Bank meeting. Mr. and Mrs. Verl Wright and

Mr. and Mrs. Verl Wright and boys were weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Russell Wright. They all attended the Little Mac



PROFESSIONAL MEAT CUTTERS—Worked all day, taking the whole hogs on steel spits, removing the spits, and then carving the pork into serving pieces. The work was tedious and strenuous, but we didn't hear any complaints from the crews of four men working steadily.

Messenger photo

Bridge snowmobile activities on the Elwood Miller farm Sun-

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Bowen and Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Fletcher also attended the festivities, from here.

Mike Forbes was home for four days from his post with the Brighton State Police. Mike and his wife, Pam, were Friday dinner guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fay Forbes. Mr. and Mrs. Bob Embrey were also dinner guests. Ann Irish and son, David, and Richard Irish were Friday evening visitors. Mr. and Mrs. Jim Leiter and David and Teresa were weekend

guests. Saturday guests were Mr. and Mrs. Jim Embrey and Mr. and Mrs. Lavern Forbes and family.

NEWS NOTES

Mrs. Faye Stephenson and Mrs. Dorothy Poet of Clare spent Monday with their aunt, Edna Schultz.

Chester Lynch returned home from the Saginaw Hospital Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Donald Pung called at the Esther Stanley home last week, and Mr. and Mrs. Donald Stanley, and children of both families visited Esther during the week.

