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GTE ENLARGING THE WEIDMAN TELEPHONE BLDG.

Work is well under way on an addition to the Weidman building of the General Telephone Company, housing electronic equipment.

It is a matching one-story addition to the present building, and is part of the company's program of service improvement. It will provide an additional area of 1,180 square feet.

Completion is scheduled for July 1 of this year, and will make way for switching equipment additions scheduled later in 1974.

Local Items

Doris Sprague of Lansing was a Sunday luncheon guest of Mr. and Mrs. R.D. Sprague.

Mr. and Mrs. Emil Phillips and Mr. and Mrs. Lloy Sperry were in Omar Saturday, where they bought some fresh suckers.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Johnson and girls of Mt. Pleasant were Sunday visitors of his mother, Mrs. Kit Johnson.

Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell McArthur called on Ed and Agnes Fox at Marion Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Clare Oberlin of Lansing were Saturday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Sprague. They were on their way to Traverse City to visit their daughter and family.

REBEKAH CARD PARTY HAS NINE TABLES IN PLAY

At the Rebekah sponsored card party last Tuesday afternoon, there were nine tables of pepper in play.

Leola Marshall won first prize for the ladies, with Russell Wilson winning first for the men. Hulda Stevens won the pepper prize. Ethel Wager won low. Margaret Lawens won the door prize.

The next card party at the Oddfellows Hall in Weidman will be Tuesday afternoon, April 16. Everyone is invited.

April has remained frozen up so far--no news to anybody. For the first time we recall, our crocus popped up with blossom buds that froze and never did open.

BETTER THAN A LETTER

NOW THEY'RE BOTH RETIRED



MR. AND MRS. R.D. SPRAGUE

R.D. and Jennie Sprague are both set to enjoy retirement, as Jennie retired last week as collecting agent for General Telephone Company.

R.D. retired last Oct. 27, after more than 30 years with the Isabella County Road Commission.

Jennie is retiring after 30 1/2 years with the telephone company, accepting payment on monthly telephone bills for this area.

"I've greatly enjoyed visits with Weidman area folks all these years," Jennie said this week. "I'm going to miss them all."

We'll miss you, too, Jen.

PHONE BILLS PAID AT WEIDMAN BRANCH BANK AFTER THIS WEEK

With the resignation of our long-time friend and helper Jennie Sprague, the General Telephone Company and the Weidman Branch of the Isabella Bank and Trust announce that the bank will receive payment on telephone bills in this area beginning next Monday, April 15.

The bank is continuing the service as a convenience to people of this area.

Consumers Power and Michigan Consolidated Gas bills long have been payable at the bank.

HERBERT YUNCKER RETIRES AS PCA BOARD MEMBER

Herbert Yuncker has retired from membership of the Board of Directors of the Production Credit Association of Alma, it was announced last week.

At the 40th annual stockholders' meeting, Franklin Switzer of Shepherd was re-elected to the Board. Thomas Murphy of Mt. Pleasant succeeded Mr. Yuncker to membership on the Board.

Mr. Yuncker was a Board member for 28 years, and is a retired farmer of Nottawa.

More than 600 people attended last week's meeting of the Association.

SAFETY PICTURE CONTEST ENDS SATURDAY, APRIL 20

Isabella County kids of elementary-school age are reminded that the safety picture contest, with the theme of Bicycle Safety, will end Saturday, April 20.

This is the 14th consecutive year the Isabella County Safety Council has sponsored a safety picture contest. Pictures may be left with the State Police, at the Sheriff's office, or with the City Police, all in Mt. Pleasant.

Four bicycles will be first prizes. Four second-place prizes will be donated, and 67 other prizes will be supplied by the Safety Council.

Further information may be obtained by calling Mrs. Winsor Dunbar, chairman of the contest, at 773-7336.

In the Editor's Mail

Dear Connie:

Sorry this is late, but just didn't notice until this past week. You should put a big RED ring around the due date, when due.

My family read the paper, too, and then I pass it on to Dora Bacon Thrush--she lived up that way as a girl--I think the Two Rivers area.

Enclosed is my check. Thanks again. Sincerely

Helen Bigelow
Shepherd

Some things are starting to grow, never mind night freezes: Such as dandelions, and some like 'em as greens.

Men in Uniform



FREDRICK A. BIERSCHBACH

Army Private Fredrick A. Bierschbach, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Bierschbach, has completed an eight-weeks' military police course at the U.S. Army Training Center, Fort Gordon, Georgia. Fredrick is 18.

His course gave him training in civil and military law, traffic control, patrolling, techniques of quelling riots and disturbances, prisoner-of-war control, communications, care and use of authorized weapons, and unarmed defense methods.



RICK A. ABBOTT

Navy Seaman Recruit Rick A. Abbott, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Abbott, graduated from recruit training at the Naval Training Center at San Diego.

He received nine weeks of intensive instruction in seamanship, small arms use, fire fighting, close order drill, first aid, and naval history.

He reports now to a formal school for specialty training or to a ship or shore station for on-the-job training.

BETTER THAN A LETTER

Walker Creek News

Mary Loomis, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. James Theisen and family were Sunday visitors of her folks, Mr. and Mrs. James Rady, at Littlefield Lake.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Skalitzky called on Mr. and Mrs. Ward Loomis at Barryton Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Austin Dent were Tuesday evening visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Pat Dillenbeck. Mr. and Mrs. Art Savage of Mt. Pleasant were Sunday evening visitors.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Wilcox and boys called on Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Sprague and girls Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Gray and family and Mr. and Mrs. Lester Terwilliger were Saturday evening visitors of Mr. and Mrs. LaVern Forbes at Brinton. The Grays spent Sunday in Lansing with Mr. and Mrs. Earl McCaige.

Mr. and Mrs. Otis Conley were Friday evening visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Denslow. They spent Saturday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Shelly Burton in Clare.

Visitors over the weekend at the Charles Voss home were Mr. and Mrs. Bert Chaffee, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Wilmot, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Voss and daughters, Rosie Leiter and Minnie Flaughner.

Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Voss and daughter have moved to Vinegrove, Ky.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Emmons were Friday evening callers of Doc and Judy Day at Barryton.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Loomis were visitors at the Emmons home one evening last week. Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Fifield and family of Barryton were Monday supper guests.

Callers during the week at the Warren Leiter home were Mr. and Mrs. Levi Leiter, Dan Stebelton and daughter of Mt. Pleasant, and Mr. and Mrs. Greg Leiter and family.

Mercel Graham called at the Howard Monroe home one day last week.

Several from this community attended the Mothers Club carnival at the Weidman school Saturday. All report a very enjoyable evening.

Our visitors over the weekend were Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Loomis and daughter, and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Loomis and son. Our daughter, Teresa, spent Saturday over night with Pam Riley. Valerie Leiter spent the evening with our daughter Jeanie.

FOR SALE--Easter rabbits. Want to buy bantam chickens. Ph. 644-2210.

April 11t1

Around Horr

Jessie Rosencrantz, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Mack Denslow spent Sunday with their daughter, Mrs. Joyce Chaffee.

Frank Benn was a Sunday dinner guest at the Benn Johnson home.

Dick Dutcher and daughter, Patti, were Sunday callers at the Earl Oplinger home.

Mrs. Nettie Lawrence called on her brother and wife, the Ed Grabers, of Farwell, Monday. Mrs. Graber called on her Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Dent were Tuesday supper guests at the Lynn Johnson home, to celebrate Steven's ninth birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Dent and boys and Tom and Judy Roberts of Lansing were weekend guests at the Dent home.

Mr. and Mrs. Dent spent Wednesday evening at the Miles Miller home.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Kirvan were Sunday callers at the Dent home. Carl Krueger spent from Tuesday till Thursday with his grandparents.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Clark of Edmore, Mr. and Mrs. Tracy White and Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Cummins of Okemos were Saturday callers at the Alva Cummins home. All of them and Mr. and Mrs. Alva Cummins were Saturday supper guests at the Tracy White home.

Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Denslow and son of Lansing, Mr. and Mrs. Junior Denslow of Lakeview, Mr. and Mrs. Randall Brownell and two children and Mrs. Opal Denslow enjoyed Sunday dinner at the Berl Denslow home.

Mrs. Opal Denslow and Mrs. Margaret Denslow attended pre-Easter services at the Barryton Methodist Church Sunday evening.

Don Snyder was a Saturday supper guest of Bill Thompson.

Mr. and Mrs. Al Cochran of Mt. Pleasant and Mr. and Mrs. Dick Curtiss were Sunday dinner guests at the Gerald Losey home.

Beth Losey was a Sunday dinner guest of her grandparents, the Charlie Loseys. Mr. and Mrs. Theron Merrihew were evening callers.

Mrs. Flora Wood and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Bergquist spent last Tuesday in Grand Rapids.

Mrs. Wood received a favorable report from her doctor.

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Coldwater Lake

Marjorie Schafer, Reporter

Bill and Lynn Schafer and son, Brian, had dinner with Tony and Jackie Frayre of Oil City Sunday.

The Jerry Schafer family of Rosebush had Sunday dinner with the Wayne Sherlock family.

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April 4tf

PROFESSIONAL--Horseshoeing by graduate from Michigan School of Horseshoeing. Jeff Hines, tel. 644-3582.

April 4tf

FOR SALE--Good oat straw, regular size bales. Ph. 644-2015, Weidman. Call evenings or weekends, please.

April 4tf

FOR SALE--Pickup Camper, sleeps 4. Jacks, toilet, stove, \$500. 5678 Jordan Road, Coldwater Lake, tel. 644-3967.

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FIREMEN'S AUCTION--April 20, at Weaver's Tavern in Weidman. A good time is had by all. Good auctioneers, a wonderful assortment of items to buy.

April 4t3

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Nov.29tf

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April 4t2p

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April 4tf

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April 11t1p

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April 11t1p

Obituary

ROBERT FANNING

This area was saddened by the sudden death of our Broomfield storekeeper, Robert Fanning, who suffered a heart attack while visiting in Ohio March 31.

He was 47. He and his wife purchased the Broomfield general store from Eda Van Zandt, before her marriage.

Surviving are his wife and a daughter. He was born in Shepherd Aug. 8, 1926. His mother is Mrs. Hattie Harris of Mt. Pleasant.

Funeral services were held April 1 at the Shepherd church, with burial at Shepherd.

His family have the sympathy of all.

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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 non-profit organization.

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April 11 t2

WANTED--Odd jobs, by the Boy Scouts. Yard work, garden work, etc. In Weidman area. Ph. 644-3458.

April 11t3

EASTER SPECIAL--Large white eggs, 60¢ per dozen. Mrs. Joe Sahn, phone 644-2471.

April 11t1

CUSTOM HAULING--Sand, gravel and topsoil. Crane work, etc. Maeder & Reihl, ph. 644-2540 or 644-2165.

Nov. 1tf

Card of Thanks

The family of William M. Faber, Sr., wish to extend their many thanks to friends, neighbors and relatives for the Masses, flowers, food and cards sent at the time of his death.

A special Thank You to Father Don Dueweke, Father John Thome, the Dominican Sisters, doctors and staff of CMC Hospital; J.J. Rush Funeral Home, and everyone else for the many acts of kindness.

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The William N. Faber Family

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Blanche Carr, Reporter

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Mr. and Mrs. Ed Boerma of Grand Rapids called on Mrs. Choice Foster Friday, on their way home from visiting her mother, Mrs. Ina Gillett, who suffered a stroke recently and now is at her daughter's home in Sanford.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Carr, Melissa and Mrs. Earl Billsby visited me Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Erhardt of Newaygo visited Mrs. Nettie Crowley and Jay Leinaar Sunday. Roderick Nicholson was a Friday caller.

Ray Flaughter was injured at work one day last week when a heavy die fell on his heels. Callers to see him were his sons, Russ, Ron, Richard and Ralph, and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Wilmot and Mr. and Mrs. Bert Chaffee.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bush of Barryton were Monday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Allen. Mr. and Mrs. Willard Foote of Lansing spent Wednesday evening with them. The Allens made a trip to Lansing and Mason Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harris Diehl are building a new home in Broomfield on the Gilmore Road.

Mrs. Loraine Schultz of Lansing visited her mother, Mrs. E. R. Rhode, and her brother, Harold, Friday.

Callers of Mrs. Rhode during the week were Mrs. Paul Lueder, Mrs. Emil Lueder and Mrs. Joan Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. Singleton Moses and family of Flushing were weekend guests of the Harold Kruegers. Arnold Krueger and children and Mrs. Lovica Krueger were Sunday guests.

Mrs. Kate Martin spent Friday with her daughter and family, the John Schubbachs, in Mt. Pleasant.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Keysor and family of Saginaw were weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Garrett and family.

Delbert Garrett won the savings bond at the Weidman school carnival.

Susan Cook and Brenda Cook were confirmed at the Broomfield Lutheran Church Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Jack Cook hosted a confirmation dinner for about 50 relatives in honor of the girls, Sunday, at their home.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Dent and boys of Lansing spent Sunday with the Harold Kruegers.

Justine Fiorillo, Joyce Foster and Blanche Carr visited Ina Gillett at the home of her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Felix Stevens, at Sanford, Monday, and were dinner guests. Ina was coming along well.

North Weidman

Elvah Gott, Reporter

Joe Ptak was out of the intensive care unit at CMC Hospital the first of the week, and was improving nicely. His family were here over the weekend. Denise Ptak of Royal Oak stayed last week with her mother. Joe's brothers, Anthony Ptak and Zygmund Ptak of Detroit, were here and called on him at the hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Duane Chapman and family visited Mr. and Mrs. Micky Abbott and boys Sunday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Pat Leiter called in the evening.

I went to Mt. Pleasant last Monday with Bessie Allen, shopping, and had lunch, Bessie Allen and her grandchildren, Diane and Steve Aldrich, attended our family banquet at the school at Weidman.

Albert Gott called on us and had lunch Sunday.

We called on Mr. and Mrs. Dick Gott in the afternoon Sunday.

Helen Alwood and I were in Mt. Pleasant Thursday. Mrs. Joyce Aldrich and children of Clare visited us Saturday afternoon. Sherry Allen of Grand Ledge was also a guest.

Mr. and Mrs. Steve Aldrich of Lansing visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Max Aldrich, over the weekend.

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BETTER THAN A LETTER

Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell McArthur spent Sunday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Gary McArthur

and family. Mrs. Cecilia St. Germaine of Mt. Pleasant was also a guest.

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Morning Service, 11 a.m.
Evening Service, 7.30 p.m.
Choir Thursday, 6.30 p.m.

The Good Friday service at Weidman Methodist Church at 1 p.m.

We had a very successful church anniversary banquet. There were 80 in attendance. The Don Wellmans from Kent City were up, as were the Jim Carr family of St. Louis. The program and recreation were great, and the food was delicious.

WEIDMAN UNITED METHODIST
Rev. Athel Lynch, Pastor, 2163 2nd Street, Weidman.
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Church School, 9.45 a.m.
Worship Service, 11 a.m.
Sharing and prayer Thursday, 7.30 p.m.
Pot luck dinner third Sunday, 1 p.m.

U. M. W., 1st and 3rd Thursdays, 3 p.m.
Methodist Men, 4th Saturday, 6.30 p.m.

The annual pre-Easter communion service will be held this evening (Thursday). Come any time between 7.30 and 8.30.

Easter Sunday services begin with a sunrise service conducted by the UMYF youth at 7 a.m. Breakfast following the sunrise service will be served by the Methodist Men at 8 a.m. Regular church school and worship services follow at 9.45 and 11 a.m.

The Methodist Men will put on another soup supper May 4.

Good Friday service will be held at the United Methodist Church Friday at 2 p.m. Pastors of the local churches, Rev. Marvin Eldridge of the Baptist, Rev. John A. Wright of the Nazarene, and Rev. Athel J. Lynch of the Methodist will each deliver a short message. Special music is planned by each church. The public is cordially invited to attend.

Ladies of the Weidman United Methodist Church were hostesses at their annual Lenten luncheon last Thursday noon. Guests were in attendance from the Weidman Nazarene Church and the Barryton, Rosebush and Remus United Methodist Churches. Lenten luncheon speaker was Mrs. Edna Fleming of Turk Lake, whose husband is a minister there.

HOME PAPER FOR THE WEST HALF OF ISABELLA COUNTY

'BREAD AND MILK' LECTURE FEATURES FBW MEETING

By Mary Beutler

A special "Bread and Milk" presentation was the highlight of a recent Farm Bureau Women's Committee meeting.

Mrs. Jim Graham and Mrs. Bob Walton, both from the Rosebush area, are a part of the Michigan Farm Bureau Speakers Bureau, and through visual aids of colorful slides and consumer products which they distributed throughout the group, along with their commentary, very ably told the Farmer's Story.

The slide presentation, "Bread and Milk", brought out the increased marketing expenses, soaring food costs, and a breakdown of what the farmer gets on various products he raises, in relation to its final sale price on the market.

Pat and Suz are proud of their farming heritage, and for the opportunity of promoting better understanding of food costs. They are accepting invitations to speak at civic and social groups. Any interested group that would like to arrange for a presentation is encouraged to call Pat Graham at 433-2907, or Suz Walton at 433-2925.

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Mrs. Leah Scharrer entered CMC Hospital Wednesday morning of last week. She was still there the first of the week.

BEAL CITY KINDERGARTEN ROUNDUP APRIL 16

The annual spring roundup for the Beal City School District will be held Tuesday, April 16, in the school cafeteria. Parents will be expected to take their pre-school children with them during registration for school attendance next fall.

Parents of children whose last names start with the letters A through M will register at 9.30 a.m., and those whose names start with the letter N through Z will enroll at 1.30 p.m.

Parents are requested to take their children's birth certificates with them when they register

their children. A record of each child's immunizations also should be taken to the school so they can be checked by the nurse.

The law states that children must be five years old by Dec. 1, 1974, to be eligible for kindergarten classes next fall.

Parents will meet with the school nurse, Mrs. Taylor; kindergarten teacher Mrs. Mayes, and Supt. Carl D. Mayes. There will be planned activities also for the children.

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Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Sprague and girls were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Leon Snyder in Ithaca.



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S. W. Sherman

Goldie Dutcher, Reporter

I've been having the flu the past couple of weeks.

Bonnie Dutcher came home from the hospital last Wednesday after being there 11 days for surgery.

Joyce Yuncker entered CMC Hospital Saturday morning with a blood clot in her leg.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Dutcher and Patti visited Mr. and Mrs. Ted Case of Barryton Sunday. Ted had just returned home from the Reed City Hospital, after having a heart attack, and his wife, Phyllis, had just returned from the Big Rapids Hospital, where she was treated for a blood clot.

There was a birthday party for Kimberly Dutcher on her fifth birthday Friday, April 5, at her home. Mr. and Mrs. Stan Roomsburg of Blanchard, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dutcher and family, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Dutcher and Patti, Mr. and Mrs. Brian Dutcher and Chad, Mr. and Mrs. Rusty Alwood and Heather, Garry Dutcher and children, and Mr. and Mrs. Tom Fyke and Clayton Dutcher all enjoyed cake and ice cream with the Jim Dutcher family.

Mrs. Ronna Dutcher and Mrs. Rusty Alwood called at the Jim Dutcher home to see the new baby.

The Jim Dutchers visited the Larry Siscos of Winn Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dutcher visited the Dale Dutchers Tuesday.

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Brinton News

Frances Beck, Reporter

Lewis Bowen attended a Federal Land Bank meeting in Lansing Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Moon and David of Battle Creek called on us Friday evening and Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Bowen called at the Daggett Funeral Home Tuesday, paying their respects to Irvin Delong.

Mrs. David Livermore entertained company from Mumising over the weekend.

Lewis Bowen assisted with the bingo game the lodge sponsors at Farwell Saturday evening. Irene spent the evening with her daughter, Connie Fletcher.

Dad and I called on Mr. and Mrs. Don Seymour Sunday afternoon.

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ACHIEVEMENT DAY FOR BRINTON 4-H CLUB

The Brinton Busy Bees' 4-H Club will have an Achievement Day May 11, from 9 a. m. to 11 a. m. at the Brinton Town Hall.

Parents and friends of the community are cordially invited to attend and examine the

exhibits of the 4-H-ers.

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Obituary

EDWARD PRIDGEON

Edward Pridgeon of Cleveland, Ohio, died Sunday, March 31, at his home. He was 71.

He was born May 3, 1902, in Sherman Township, Isabella County.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, April 3, at 9 a. m. at the Berry Funeral Home in Cleveland, with Rev. Gerald Jones officiating.

He is survived by his wife, Ella; one daughter, Cheryl; one son, Edward, Jr., both of Cleveland; one brother, Arthur, of Ypsilanti; three sisters, Stella Martin of Blanchard, Erma Riggle and Nellie Carey, both of Mt. Pleasant.

Burial was in the Forest Hill Cemetery in Cleveland.

The Pridgeon family have many old friends in this area who will offer sympathy.

The family lived in Weidman during the early days of the village.

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Coldwater Lake

Marjorie Schafer, Reporter
Bill and Lynn Schafer and son visited here last Monday evening.

This week Monday was the 43rd anniversary of Walt and Delle Wischmeyer. Congratulations!

Thursday evening Walt and Delle came down to have a few games of cards with Ed and me.

Received word from Detroit that an aunt of Ed's, Trix Gillis, died this past weekend. She was the sister of Ed Kavanaugh. Our deepest sympathy to the family.

Also our deepest sympathy to the family of Liz McGarry of Detroit, who died this past weekend. Mrs. McGarry has a cottage on the south shore, where she has spent her summers.

Ed and I called on Wayne and Ruth Ann Sherlock Friday evening to play cards.

Ed and I called on my mother, Mable Klumpp, at Ardis Nursing Home Sunday. She was not the usual cheerful person, and didn't look too well.

Walt and Delle Wischmeyer had dinner with Fred and Helen Graham of Mt. Pleasant Sunday.

Leona Perrin, Flo Haupt, Lois Ritter and Loretta Lorenz went shopping in Saginaw Saturday.

Loretta and Clarence Lorenz called on the Ron Lorenz family Sunday afternoon, and in the evening called on Mr. and Mrs. Ed Zeien in Beal City.

Friday afternoon Loretta Lorenz called on Thelma Kolarik and Sunday morning she called on Flo Haupt.

The Chippewa Wranglers held a hoedown Saturday night at the Sportsmen's Club south of Deerfield Center. Bill and Lynn Schafer attended from here.

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Dora Smith, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Keiffer made a trip to Hubbardston to visit her son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Schafer, and also Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Bradbury.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Snyder visited Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Keiffer recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Rau and Renee and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Rau took Dale Rau to Clear Lake Sunday, where he will work for the summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Pung attended the funeral of her uncle in Lansing Saturday.

Ida Tilmann was a dinner guest of Louise Smith Monday.

Howard and Annabelle Blasen of St. Johns called on Mr. and Mrs. Bob Blasen and Louise Smith Thursday afternoon.

Denise Slater spent Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Allen Tilmann.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Schafer, Mrs. Bob Klumpp, Mrs. Joe Theisen, Effie Schafer, Mr. and Mrs. Al Klumpp, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Schafer, Bob Schafer and Tillie Schafer all drove to Detroit Sunday to a funeral home to see Trix Gillis, who died Thursday. She was formerly from here (Trix Kavanaugh).

Orrie Farner spent Sunday with Louise Schafer.

Mr. and Mrs. Milo Eldred of Blanchard spent Thursday evening with Tillie Schafer.

Mrs. Mary Ramsey was hostess at a miscellaneous shower for Charlotte Schafer. She received many nice gifts.

Ruth Klumpp took Terry to Grand Rapids to Butterworth Hospital Thursday for a checkup.

Betty Sunderman of Shepherd called on Louise Schafer Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ken Schafer and girls called on Louise Schafer Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Kavanaugh, Mr. and Mrs. Mick Schmalbach and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Wilson attended the funeral of Trix Gillis in Detroit Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. James Quillen of Pewamo spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Smith and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Pung and family of Midland spent the weekend with their folks here.

The school carnival April 6 had a good turnout and everyone enjoyed the evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Smith of Lansing spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Bob Blasen and Theresa.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Martin entertained company Sunday.

Dora Smith called on Mr. and Mrs. Joe Keiffer Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Pohl called on Mrs. Leo Gross and Mike Gross Saturday afternoon.

Sadie Zorn of Coldwater Lake and Ruth Curtiss and Verlia Wilcox were in Barryton Saturday.

Obituary

MABEL COTTER

Mabel May Cotter died Saturday, April 6, at the Isabella County Medical Care Facility. She was 87.

She was born Aug. 24, 1886, in Gilmore Township, and was a retired teacher in the area school districts.

She was a member of the Calla Rebekah Lodge No. 205, the Mt. Pleasant chapter OES, and Central Michigan University's Golden "C" Club.

Funeral services were held this Tuesday, April 9, at 2 p. m. at the Stinson Funeral Home in Mt. Pleasant with George Stehle officiating. Burial was in Riverside Cemetery.

An Eastern Star service was held Monday evening at 7.30 at the funeral home.

She is survived by six sons, Doyle, Dalton and Merle, all of California; Dolph of Lansing, and Orville and Donald, Sr., of rural Mt. Pleasant; two daughters, Mrs. Paul (Gladys) Juravo of Midland and Mrs. George (Eva Kay) Campbell of Mt. Pleasant; a sister, Miss Eva Jarman, of Gilmore; two brothers, Glenn of Rosebush and Theron of Sunfield; 24 grandchildren, 19 great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild; and nieces and nephews.

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NEWS NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Brenay and Frank Durham of Bay City were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Emil Phillips, and enjoyed a fish dinner.

Mrs. Grace Pitts spent Sunday in Big Rapids, helping celebrate four birthdays in the Elwyn Pitts family.

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