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Editor's Column

By Connie

SO HERE WE GO... ON VACATION

So, with the deposit of this week's edition of the Messenger in the Weidman post office, we set out on a 10-day vacation.

Whee.

We'll be doing odd jobs during our time off:

Finish weeding the vegetable garden. What a deep satisfaction it is to go out and get your vegetables--free!--and fresh from your own plantings!

Get the hair chopped off and done up in a permanent.

Start acquaintance with a 10-weeks-old puppy, destined to be our companion and watchdog.

Our 14-year-old black Liza Jane died six weeks ago, and we seem to require the presence of a dog in our life.

No dog will ever take the place of Liza Jane. She was an unfortunate cross-breed, which was not her fault. We bought her for a registered black cocker spaniel, but she soon developed wool two inches thick and cocker hair four inches long, and a head all wrong for a cocker spaniel. Which was not her fault.

Liza Jane gave us 14 years of just plain love. No dog will ever come up to that.

But we take on another pup, and we'll see how we come out with her.

Bet that Frances Tranbarger and Connie Skinner are the only women ever to transplant pig-weed seedlings into garden rows. But we dood it Sunday.

Pig weed greens are delicious, nutritious--and definitely free.

We were first introduced to their edibility years ago by Walt and Marie Smith, when they lived on their farm northeast of town. At that time we were revolted by the thought of eating weeds.

But the pig-weed is something else. Try it, you'll like it. Tastes something like spinach but somehow better. Doesn't shrink away in cooking, like spinach. Serve hot with your choice of dressing: Butter or oleo, a dash of vinegar, or--and we like this best--serve



THE DON ABBOTTS OBSERVE 40 YEARS TOGETHER--Birdie and Don Abbott were tendered a surprise party Sunday at the home of their son, Mitchell, and family, honoring their 40th wedding anniversary. About 75 family members and friends attended the afternoon pot-luck dinner on tables set under the trees.

Donald Abbott and Birdie Swanson were married 40 years ago at the Free Methodist parsonage in Weidman, their attendants Harold and Lucille Branson.

The Abbotts have three children, Wayne and Mitchell and daughter Phyllis Wernett, all of Weidman.

They enjoy their 13 grandchildren.

From 1935 to 1947 Don was employed in the Herzog Furniture Store in Saginaw, then spent 10 years with Elmore's of Mt. Pleasant, before establishing Abbott's Furniture Store in Weidman in 1966. Son Mitch has been with the furniture store for some years, and is now full partner in the business.

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NEWS NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Smith spent from Wednesday till Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Smith and the Wayne Smiths at Wolverine, where the Clayton Smiths spent the week, camping.

hot with a spreading of mayonnaise.

Our spinach seeds didn't germinate well, so, in order to insure our winter's supply of "greens", we're harvesting and freezing pig-weed.

Looks and tastes much better than it sounds.

See yuh in the July 12 issue.

LITTLEFIELD LAKE COTTAGE BURNS SUNDAY AFTERNOON

The cottage of Mr. and Mrs. Ovid Riggs, on Littlefield Lake, burned to the ground late Sunday afternoon.

It was unoccupied at the time. Mr. and Mrs. Riggs came up later and found their cottage obliterated, with only a residue of ashes and twisted metal details of furniture.

Mr. and Mrs. Riggs come up often during spring, summer and fall, to enjoy their secluded cottage, where they had collected prized family items and some antiques, besides the ordinary cottage furnishings.

The cottage has no electricity and there was nothing in it that could have started a blaze, Mr. Riggs told the Messenger Monday.

Arson is suspected, and State Police are investigating.

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NEWS NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Arza Mullet, Mrs. Nina Forbes and Mrs. Arlin Summers attended the wedding of Dennis Carl Snyder and Gail Marie Cooper held at the St. Louis Methodist Church. The bride and groom are from St. Louis. The wedding was Saturday afternoon at 3. A reception was held at the church following the ceremony.

THE FEY JOHNSONS LEAVE WEDNESDAY FOR FLORIDA

Mr. and Mrs. Fey Johnson and boys were leaving Wednesday of this week for their home in Punta Gorda, Florida, after spending 10 days with relatives here.

The son, Alan, was killed last Wednesday afternoon in a motorcycle accident here.

Their many friends extend sympathy to them in their tragedy.

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SHEEP SLAUGHTER GOES ON AT THE BURTON WARDS'

Despite efforts of the Burton Ward family to protect their flock of sheep, the slaughter by neighborhood dogs goes on.

Up to Monday of this week, the Wards have lost 18 sheep in their flock of 52. Four sheep were killed in one night, Mrs. Ward told the Messenger Monday, and were left lying mutilated and dead in the sheepyard at the barn area.

Last week Burton took four nights off from work and patrolled his 80-acre pasture. The first three nights he saw nothing amiss, but the fourth night a German shepherd dog came by. Burton made the mistake of turning on his car lights and the dog turned and ran. Burton shot at it and missed.

The Wards say they have their sheep shelter fortified "so that the FBI couldn't get in," yet last week they lost four sheep in one night.

Burton has the loan of a high-powered rifle, but refrains from using it because of proximity of the home and buildings, and other people's homes.

The Wards lost all their January lambs and their mother ewes to the dogs.

The county has reimbursed them for for the first 12 sheep killed. They have submitted claims for the others killed since.

They decided to leave their sheep out in the pasture this Monday and Tuesday nights, when Burton was home off work, and see if he can get the dog or dogs.

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FIREWORKS HERE JULY 4

Weidman business men are sponsoring a display of fireworks July 4 at 10 p. m., over Lake Weidman.

Come in and see them.

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BETTER THAN A LETTER

Around Horr

Jessie Rosencrantz, Reporter

Mrs. Gladys Thren, Mrs. Edna Van Auker and Mrs. Margaret Denslow attended the "Golden C" banquet at CMU Saturday evening, honoring the graduating class of 1923. The three ladies all were members. That was when Mrs. Denslow got her first teacher's certificate.

Sunday afternoon callers of Mrs. Denslow were Mrs. Marie Evans and Miss Paula Zehner.

Mrs. Denslow and her sister, Mrs. Celia Backus, expected to spend Monday and Tuesday this week with their brother, George Peacock, and family at Davisson.

Mrs. Doris Tiani and two children spent from Thursday through Monday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sterling Oplinger. Sunday they were joined by the Earl Oplinger family, and all enjoyed a picnic dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Arnold and family of Pontiac spent the weekend with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Clarke, on Walker Creek.

Mrs. Nettie Lawrence called on Mr. and Mrs. Ed Graber at Farwell Monday. She called on Mr. and Mrs. Myrl Scott Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Denslow of Zephyrhills, Florida, and their son-in-law and daughter were Saturday callers at the Mack Denslow home. Mrs. Joyce Chaffee and their grandchildren were Sunday guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Mack Denslow and Mrs. Flora Wood attended a Senior Citizens dinner at Barryton Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Miller and Mrs. Flora Wood called at the Ray and Carl Geasler homes Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Dent and sons spent the weekend with his folks, the Gerald Dents. Gerald and Mabel called at the Elwood Miller home Wednesday. Mrs. Geraline Johnson and children called on her folks Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Victor Hill of Rose Lake were recent callers at the Sterling Oplinger home.

Mrs. Minnie Strauch was a Thursday overnight guest of her sister, Mrs. Hattie Losey. Floyd Dutcher and a couple of friends from Saginaw called Thursday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Dutcher were Saturday evening callers. Harold Losey called Sunday.

Dennis Ergo and Tim Workman and friend Randy were Saturday overnight guests of Bob Thompson.

Mr. and Mrs. Miles Miller were among several friends and relatives who called to see Elwood Miller, who returned from the hospital last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Thurber

of Cowden Lake were Sunday afternoon guests at the Alva Cummins home. Mr. and Mrs. George Johnston and Floyd Dutcher were recent callers.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Wright and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Kirvan had supper at Coldwater Lake, celebrating the 42nd wedding anniversary of the Wilbur Wrights, Wednesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Max Aldrich, Steven Aldrich and girl friend of Lansing and two granddaughters were Sunday guests of the Wrights. Their son Jim spent the weekend with them.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Jackson and Lynette and Bruce, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Jackson and Carrie, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Jackson and family, Mrs. Jan Gross and Amy, Mrs. Joanne Cochran, Mrs. Carol Thomas and Chris, and Charlene Gross were Sunday guests at the Gerald Losey home.

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Brinton News

Frances Beck, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Forbes and Mr. and Mrs. LaVerne Forbes joined Mr. and Mrs. Fay Forbes and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Leiter, who were camping on a fishing trip up North.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Seymour and Chris called on me Thursday afternoon.

Weekend callers of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Bowen were Jeannie Blodgett of Flint and Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Schmidt. Mr. and Mrs. Loraine Conley spent Saturday evening with them.

Bible School was held last week at the Brinton Chapel. The Bible program was held Friday evening. They ended their activities with a picnic at the park Friday afternoon.

Three daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Harley Teeter stayed with their grandmother, Edna Teeter, and attended Bible School last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne La Londe left Thursday for Colorado Springs, Colo., where he has employment.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Teeter and family of Grand Rapids called on their mother, Edna Teeter, Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Holland and family of Grand Rapids spent the weekend with his mother, Jane Fields, and uncle, Tony Bartley.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe La Londe called on Ray Geasler Sunday. Emily Geasler of Grand Rapids spent the weekend with her parents, Ray and Joyce Geasler.

Violet Wright came home from the hospital Saturday. Her daughter, Evelyn, and granddaughter, Micky, came Saturday night and Micky remained with her grandparents for a while.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Waid of Lake have been spending three days in Ohio this week, to at-

tend a reunion of Tom's family.

Walt Tomasic has purchased the Art Schrock farm on Brinton Road. Mr. Tomasic is from Trenton, and plans to move his family to the farm soon. He has been in cement work (driveways, etc.) in Trenton, and will continue his work here.

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NEWS WRITERS--Next issue of the Messenger is July 12. Have copy in on July 9, please. Take a good vacation!

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS
Mary Kreamsreiter Estate to Gerald R. Faber, se se sec. 23, Nottawa.

Jesse A. Richter to Alonzo Horning and wife, ne nw sec. 5, Coldwater.

Lawrence Lowell and wife to William L. Geiger and wife, Lot Lot 19, Blue Cedar Estates, Deerfield.

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WANT ADS

WANT AD RATES: 50¢ per week for ordinary ad; space rate of 50¢ per col. inch for those of longer length. Card of Thanks: 75¢, unless very long. Ph. 644-2000.

JULY 4 SPECIAL--Flea Market at Broomfield Grange Hall, located corner M-20 and Coldwater Road. Home made ice cream.
 June 29t1

FOR SALE--Two-piece sectional davenport, nice condition. Turquoise color. Earl Clarke, tel. 644-3449.
 June 28 t2

FOR SALE--House. Three bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths, full basement, attached garage. On 1 1/2 acres. At 6465 West River Road.
 June 28t12 2

BARN SALE--Including one double bed with springs and mattress; one antique sewing machine; toys, games, puzzles, books, clothing, dishes, and odds and ends. June 28 and 29. At 6465 West River Road.
 June 28t1

FIREWORKS DISPLAY--Will be given by some of the local businesses of Weidman July 4th, shot over Lake Weidman at approximately 10 p.m. on July 4.
 June 28t1

FOR SALE--MTD Riding Mower, deluxe, electric starter, three speeds, reverse, two rotary blades, all details of a smart-set mower. Like new except needs new battery. Sacrifice at \$250--I paid nearly \$500. Call 644-2000, Weidman. Connie Skinner.
 June 28tf

FOR SALE--Sears deep-well jet pump. In A-1 shape. Tel. 644-2492.
 June 28t1p

FURNISHED--4-rooms, garage, utilities paid. \$125 a month. No children or pets. 1888 N. Winn Rd., Beal City. Phone 644-3958. Mrs. Tillie Schaffer.
 June 28t2p

FOR SALE--Newly remodeled 3-bedroom house with large enclosed back porch. Carpeted throughout. On 2 large lots with maple shade, in Brinton. Under \$13,000 on land contract, easy terms, no closing costs. Owner Arley Russell, 1503 E. Elm Rd., Farwell R. 2, ph. (517) 386-9794.
 June 28 t3p

FOR SALE--Used Admiral refrigerator, \$40. Harold Rhode, 7532 W. Pickard, ph. 644-2150.
 June 28 t1p

REWARD--For information leading to arrest and conviction of person or persons who burned my cottage on Littlefield Lake late Sunday afternoon, June 24. Write Ovid Riggs, 35622 Michigan Ave., Wayne, Mich.
 June 28t3

FOR SALE--The John Sheldon Estate house and two lots in Weidman. Contact Minnie Flaughner, Administratrix, at 644-3443.
 June 28t1

WANTED--Household help two days a week, Monday and Friday. Must be efficient, age not half as important as desire to do a good job. Ph. 644-2430.
 June 28t1

FOR SALE--Near Shepherd, lovely 3-bedroom country home, with trees and spacious 1-acre landscaped yard. Partially furnished. Ph. 828-5355.
 June 21t2

LEGAL

Notice

STATE OF MICHIGAN
 THE PROBATE COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF ISABELLA.
 Estate of JOHN J. SHELDON, Deceased. File No. 12097.
NOTICE OF HEARING
TAKE NOTICE, On June 18, 1973, in the Probate Courtroom, Mt. Pleasant, Michigan, before the Honorable Burke McClintic, Judge of Probate, a hearing was held on the petition of Doris Wilmot and administration of said estate was granted to Minnie Flaughner.

Creditors of the deceased are notified that all claims against the estate must be presented said Minnie Flaughner, at Route No. 1, Weidman, Michigan, and proof thereof filed with court on or before September 5, 1973, and the heirs at law of said deceased will be determined on said date.

Notice is further hereby given that the estate will be thereupon assigned to the persons appearing of record entitled thereto.

Dated June 19, 1973.
 Minnie Flaughner
 Route No. 1, Weidman, Michigan.
FOX AND FOX
 Attorneys for Fiduciary
 102 Hersee Bldg.
 Mt. Pleasant, Michigan
 Phone: 773-3460

June 28t1 p

FLEA MARKET--Every Saturday at Broomfield Grange Hall yard, with dinners from 12 to 3 p.m., also home made ice cream. Located corner M-20 and Coldwater Road.
 June 7tf

ELECTRIC SEWER SERVICE--Large rod for drains, three to six inches, 100 foot. Also a small rod for 1 1/2 to 3 inch, 24 foot. Ph. 644-2058.
 Mar29tf

FOR SALE--Pickup Camper, sleeps 4. See at Edw. J. Schaffer residence, 5678 W. Jordan Road, Coldwater Lake. Ph. 644-3967.
 May3tf

CUSTOM HAULING--Sand, gravel, and topsoil. Crane work, etc. Maeder & Reihl, ph. 644-2540 or 644-2165.
 Dec. 21tf

FOR SALE--1972 20-ft. Champion motor home, sleeps 6. Edward J. Schaffer, 5678 W. Jordan Rd., Coldwater Lake. Tel. 644-3967.
 April 19tf
BETTER THAN A LETTER

Card of Thanks

I would like to thank all my friends and relatives for the many get-well cards, wishes and flowers during my recent stay in Central Michigan Community Hospital.
 May God bless you all.
 Tillie Schaffer.

Card of Thanks

We would like to express our heartfelt thanks and gratitude to all the friends and neighbors who helped us during the time of the illness and death of our mother, Pauline Boge.
 A special thanks to Dr. Wickert; to the staff at Central Michigan Community Hospital and the Medical Care Facility; to Father Thome and Father Keho for their kind and comforting words, and their many visits to our mother; to the ladies who helped prepare and serve the dinner; and to all those who sent food, cards, and flowers.
 The Family of Pauline Boge

Card of Thanks

We would like to sincerely thank our relatives, neighbors and friends for their prayers, cards, flowers, money and food that was sent to the house.
 We also thank the doctors, nurses, and Rev. Eldridge for his words during the illness and death of our mother and wife.
 Glenn Frantz
 Glenn D. and Fern Frantz
 And family
 Arlin L. and Gloria Frantz
 Allan and Donelda Costello and Family
 Harvey and Neita Blackmer and Family

NEWS NOTES

Word was received here of the death of Dean Shackelford last week, in Denver, Colorado. He was the husband of Lucille Clark, and they had spent many years in Denver. Dean died Tuesday, June 19. Burial was in a Denver cemetery. Many here have known and loved the Dean Shackelfords for many years.
 Mr. and Mrs. R.D. Sprague and Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Sprague and girls are spending this week on a 10-day vacation, mainly in Kentucky. They made the trip in a camper.
 Mabel Allen was a Thursday afternoon caller of Frances Tranbarger.

S. W. Sherman

Goldie Dutcher, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Garry Dutcher and family drove to Houghton Lake and on to Pickerel Lake, where they visited the Dale Dutchers and the Glen Owensens, and to Levering, Sunday.

Billy Beutler had measles last week.

The Garry Dutchers attended the funeral of Alan Johnson Saturday.

Fey Johnson was a Monday caller of the Garry Dutchers.

Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher visited Robert Hines at CMC Hospital Friday afternoon.

The Ervin Dutchers had dinner at Kirvan's Restaurant in Barryton Sunday, celebrating their anniversary. They visited the Bud Hines family in the afternoon.

Connie Foster was a Thursday caller of the Ervin Dutchers, Jr. Dick Lowery was a Saturday caller. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dutcher and Rex and Dawn were Sunday evening visitors.

The Ervin Dutchers visited Robert Hines at CMC Hospital Friday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Redman of Holiday, Fla., spent Sunday afternoon with the Ervin Dutchers, Sr.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Sisco and children, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Watson and Mr. and Mrs. Brian Dutcher and Chad were Sunday visitors of the Ervin Dutchers, Jr.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dutcher and children and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Dutcher had supper with Mr. and Mrs. Tom Fyke Saturday. They spent Sunday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Bud Howe and family.

Minnie Strauch and Floyd Dutcher spent Friday over night with the Ervin Dutchers.

The Ervin Dutchers, Jr., had a surprise birthday party for Steve Dutcher on his 19th birthday, Friday evening. Sheri Riefel, Beth Hogg, Nancy Bowman, Chris Daggett, Gary Adams, Pat McHugh, Tom McHugh, Don Houghton, and Tim Bowman were guests.

Patti Losey spent Friday over night with Sandy Dutcher.

Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher, Sr., visited the Ervin Dutchers, Jr., on Steve's birthday, which was Thursday.

Jim Dutcher and girls had Sunday dinner with us. Callers were the Dale Dutchers, the Robert Dutchers, and Dick Dutcher. Ervin Dutcher was a Monday caller.

Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher called on Edna Merrihew a week ago Sunday evening.

Ruth Dutcher and Karen were callers of the Dutchers while here from Clarkston.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Beutler and Mr. and Mrs. Carl Beutler and Claribel Beutler attended

the 50th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Fordyce at Mt. Pleasant Sunday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. John Downing and family of Marion visited the Howard Beutlers after the reception.

Ruth and Karen Dutcher and Karen's girl friend of Clarkston came last Monday and spent till Wednesday with her mother, Edna Merrihew. They also visited the Ervin Dutchers. Then Edna went home with them for a week.

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RIGHT TO LIFE ORGANIZES IN ISABELLA COUNTY

The Central Michigan Right to Life met at the Michigan Consolidated Gas Company's offices on Broadway in Mt. Pleasant last Thursday evening.

Reports from those who attended the national convention of Pro-Life Groups in Detroit this month were given by Edna Neyner, Marguerite Fox, Thelma Simmer, Ken and Kathy Lord, and Tat Heintz.

Ken Lord of Weidman was elected the new chairman of the group. Other officers are Mary Pattison, treasurer; Thelma Simmer, treasurer; Tat Heintz, area co-ordinator, and Betty Johnson, publicity chairman. Following meetings will be held the second Thursday of each month, at 8 p. m., in the Isabella County Court House.

Anyone wishing to contact the group may do so by writing Box 114, Weidman.

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NEWS NOTES

Mrs. Tom Flower and children of Petersburg spent last week with Mr. and Mrs. David Flower. Tom came Monday, and the family returned home with him.

Mrs. Lucille Barnhard of Alma was a weekend guest of Mrs. Lela Whearett. Mrs. Jean Brew and children of Comstock Park were Saturday evening dinner guests.

NEWS NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Knepper and children of Clear Lake spent Sunday with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Goodrich.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Parker and family attended the anniversary party for Mr. and Mrs. Don Abbott Sunday, at Mick Abbott's home.

Weekend guests of Mrs. Kit Johnson were Mr. and Mrs. Howard Johnson of Ohio, Ray Pierce of Pontiac, Mrs. Dorothy Root of Williamston, here for the funeral services for Alan Johnson, Kit's grandson.

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Dora Smith, Reporter

QUEEN FOR THE DAY

Mrs. Leona Martin was Queen for the Day Sunday, June 24, as her children and their families gathered at her home here to celebrate her 79th birthday.

It was a surprise birthday party for her. It was a wonderful day, with Leona definitely the Queen to her children and her grandchildren.

A bounteous pot-luck dinner was attended by about 50 family members.

Leona and her husband, Will Martin (whom Leona's children call Dad), thoroughly enjoyed the day.

She received many cards, gifts, and flowers on the occasion.

Leona had 12 children, nine of whom are living. She has 66 grandchildren and 55 great-grandchildren.

Congratulations, Leona!

Mrs. Joe Gruss returned from Grand Rapids after spending the past week with relatives there.

Mrs. Frank Engler is entertaining her grandchildren, the Grinzingers, from Mt. Pleasant.

Mrs. Leo Neubecker and Mr. and Mrs. James Neubecker and children of Lansing spent Saturday with Father Edward Neubecker at his home on Lake Michigan.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Pung and children of Hemlock spent the weekend with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Steve Pung.

Bill Fox spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Fox, at Marion.

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Jerry, of Flint were Sunday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Zeien.

A number of people from here attended the Simmer wedding at Rosebush Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Gary Wernette and children returned after vacationing a few days in Illinois.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Zuker spent Sunday with their daughter and husband and children in Lansing.

Mr. and Mrs. Adelbert Pung of St. Johns spent the weekend with Matie Pung.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Theisen entertained company from Beal City and Mt. Pleasant Sunday afternoon, for Father's Day.

Mrs. Henry Simmer spent Friday with Miss Josephine Bengal in Mt. Pleasant.

Tillie Schafer came home from the hospital Saturday morning. She had been there nearly three weeks. She was feeling better.

Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Smith and his sister came from Fowler Sunday afternoon to visit relatives around Beal City. They called on their aunt, Louise Smith.

Debbie Rau had one of the Alfred Klumpp girls as an overnight guest Sunday.

Regina Faber called on Louise Smith Tuesday afternoon. Dorothy Finnerty of Mt. Pleasant was a recent visitor. Mr. and Mrs. Dan Bowen of Grand Ledge and Elaine Simmer of Reed City had supper Saturday with Louise and Ann Smith. They went to the wedding of Larry Simmer, son of Gerty and Ed Simmer, at Rosebush.

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Coldwater Lake

Marjorie Schafer, Reporter

Don and Judy Schafer and daughters, Josette and Heather, spent Tuesday at Cedar Point, Sandusky, O., returning home Wednesday.

Terry Klumpp and Don and Judy Schafer had dinner Friday evening at the Moose Lodge in Mt. Pleasant.

Jerry and Jane Schafer and children, Billy and Kelli, of Rosebush, and Bill and Lynn Schafer and son, Brian, were dinner guests of us Sunday. Josette Schafer was also a guest.

We called on Matilda Schafer Sunday afternoon. She was released from CMC Hospital Saturday, after spending over three weeks there. Her daughter, Ann Eldred, is staying with her.

Don Schafer is helping his father, Ed, for a few days.

Guess everyone is on vacation, as no one answers phones this morning.

Happy and restful vacation, Connie and writers!

(Ed's Note: Thanks, Marge. We sure can use it.)

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BETTER THAN A LETTER

BEAL CITY SENIOR CITIZENS HAVE 15 TABLES IN PLAY

At the regular Thursday afternoon card party sponsored by the Beal City Senior Citizens last week, there were 15 tables of pepper in play.

Weather was nice, but attendance was down somewhat, due to Seniors helping relatives in hay fields during the good days.

Louise Schafer won high-score prize for the ladies, with Mildred Young second.

Henry Schafer won first for the men, with Ed Faber second.

Gertrude Gross won low, as did also Jack Cotter. Margaret Lawens won the pepper prize. Stub Beutler drew the door prize.

The next party is the summer picnic, slated for Thursday afternoon, July 5. This is a pot-luck dinner, with the committee all set for the annual feast at noon and cards afterward.

Everyone is invited.

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North Weidman

Elvah Gott, Reporter

Our sympathy to the Fey Johnson family in the loss of their son.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Abbott and daughter of Charlotte spent the weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Abbott. The family attended the 40th wedding anniversary surprise party

for Mr. and Mrs. Don Abbott at the Micky Abbott home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Abbott were in Saginaw on business Friday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Conley of Mt. Pleasant visited Mr. and Mrs. Ed Olger Tuesday. Visitors during the week were Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Blackmer and daughter, Wednesday; Mrs. Sidney Wood and Mrs. John Wood and baby, Thursday; and Mr. and Mrs. John Wood Friday. The John Woods will be going to Korea for three months.

Mr. and Mrs. Micky Abbott spent June 15 and 16 and 17 in Chicago, attending the Furniture Mart. They came home last Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Allen of Lansing called on us Sunday. Albert Gott called also.

We went to Chippewa Lake with them and called on Mr. and Mrs. Bud Drake, and also Mr. and Mrs. Harley Drake and their brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Allen, and Mrs. Luella Medendorph and grandson of Grand Haven. We had dinner with the Arnold Allens Sunday.

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Mr. and Mrs. David Flower and Mr. and Mrs. Dan Carrick spent the weekend at their cabin near Kalkaska.

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Obituary

ALAN H. JOHNSON

This area was stunned and saddened last Wednesday by the accidental death of Alan Johnson, 14-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Fey Johnson of Punta Gorda, Florida.

He died in CMC Hospital a short time after he was accidentally struck by a motorcycle driven by Paul Wernette while a group of youths was motorcycling in a field near the Weidman Mill Pond dam.

Sheriff's deputies said the boys had set up a moto-cross course in the field, and during the setting up routines, Alan attempted to replace a helmet used as a marker, and was struck by the motorcycle driven by the Wernette boy.

Alan H. Johnson was born Dec. 9, 1958, in Lakeview, and spent his early life in Weidman. He was a Junior in the high school at Punta Gorda, Florida.

He is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fey Johnson, formerly of Weidman; three brothers, Larry, Jeff and Kevin, all at home; his grandmother, Mrs. Catherine Johnson, of Weidman; his grandfather, Alfred Woodberry, also of Weidman; and a host of other relatives and a great many friends.

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

The family was on a 10-day vacation visiting relatives here.

The sympathy of the entire area is extended them.

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Obituary

MARY I. ERVIN

Friends here were saddened to learn of the death of Mary Ervin, daughter of Mrs. Ina Gillett, Wednesday of last week at Tri-County Community Hospital in Edmore. She was 69.

She was born and raised in the Weidman area and in Weidman, and had many friends here.

Surviving are her husband, John; three sons, Leo of Edmore, Fay of Blanchard, and Elmer of Manchester; three daughters, Mrs. Herman Carlson, Jr., of Lakeview, Elsie Gahrish of Edmore, and Mrs. Clarence Yunke of Amble;

Other survivors include Mrs. Ervin's mother, Mrs. Ina Gillette of Grand Rapids and Weidman, two sisters, Mrs. Henrietta Boerma of Grand Rapids and Mrs. Iva Stevens of Sanford; and 21 grandchildren and

10 great-grandchildren, and many friends.

Services were held at the Youngman Funeral Home in Edmore, with burial in Fairview Cemetery at Weidman.

The family have the sympathy of all.

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Card of Thanks

Words cannot express our appreciation and gratitude for the love and sympathy given us in our sudden bereavement;

We offer our heartfelt thanks to the Weidman Fire Department for their efforts with the resuscitator, and especially Dan Wernette for his heroic efforts in trying to save our son's life; we thank the ambulance crew from CMC Hospital, and Dr. Chamberlain and the other doctors; Deputy Hooker for his consideration;

Rev. Marvin Eldridge for his beautiful words; Jack Crittenden for his thoughtfulness;

And the many, many relatives, friends and neighbors for their prayers and their sympathy and their being with us every day in our bereavement;

The ladies who served dinner at the Masonic Hall, and those who brought food to the house;

And all our dear, kind Weidman people who helped us in so many ways.

Mr. and Mrs. Fey Johnson
Larry, Jeff and Kevin

Card of Thanks

We wish to thank the many relatives and friends who helped us celebrate our 45th wedding anniversary Sunday, for their many gifts and cards; Those who did special work,

Betty Moses and Linda Krueger, who made the beautiful wedding cake;

Mr. and Mrs. Gale Krueger for the corsage and boutonniere, And all those who helped make it a memorable event.

Special thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Singleton Moses and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Krueger, Arnold Krueger and Lovica Krueger for the Wedding Anniversary Book.

Also to those who took photos.
Mr. and Mrs. Jack Lieder

TROUT KING AND QUEEN TO RIDE IN LAKE CITY PARADE JULY 4

Trout King James Hughes, of Radio WCEN and Trout Queen Roberta Centilli of Houghton Lake will be featured persons in a July 4th celebration parade in Lake City, the parade starting

at 9 a. m.

Lake City is putting on a real Fourth of July celebration, July 3 through the Fourth. The town is located in Missaukee County, 20 miles west of Houghton Lake.

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In the Editor's Mail

Weidman Messenger:

Sorry, the date of renewal slipped by. Please renew sub. My last copy was May 21.

Don't want to miss a copy.
Laura Hyslop
Comstock Park.

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NEWS NOTES

Virginia Roberts of Benton Harbor was a Monday evening visitor last week of Mrs. Ethel Bywater.

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Right next to her heart.

She woke Daddy up quickly
And loudly did say,
"Get the car started, honey--
Today is the day!"

To the hospital they hurried.
The Doctor said, "Why!
"You're a sweet firecracker
For this Fourth of July!"
By Audrey Ewing
From Grandpa and Grandma
Cole and Aunt Velma.

RUSSELL DENNIS, BARBARA KRIPA MARRIED SATURDAY

A very pretty wedding took
place Saturday evening at the
Nazarene Church on West Broad-
way in Mt. Pleasant for Russell
Dennis and Barbara Kripa.

A reception was held at the
Conservation Club Hall on Chip-
pewa Road, east M-20, in the
evening to about 200 guests.

The new Mr. and Mrs. Dennis
received many lovely and useful
gifts.

Guests were present from South
Bend, Ind., Flint, Ohio, Vas-
sar, Plymouth, Ind.

Mr. and Mrs. Dennis are at
home on North Leaton Road,
in their new house.

Mrs. Joe Ganser and three
daughters of Mishawaka, Ind.,
and sister, Mrs. John Balint,
and two girls of South Bend
came Friday to spend the week-
end with their grandparents, the
Paul Coles. They visited their
aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs.
Charles Merchant, of Harrison,
Saturday.

Darrell Worth and Marilyn Fos-
berg met at the Brinton Hall
Saturday with their Scout chil-
dren, and got several projects
under way for the summer.

Darrell Worth spent the week-
end with his parents, Mr. and
Mrs. Robert Worth.

Sunday visitors of the Norman
Geaslers were her brother and
wife, Mr. and Mrs. George Cor-
nell and children, Jim and Deb-
bie, of Gladwin, and her sister,
Miss Nancy Cornell, and niece,
Robin Muma.

Misses Connie and Carroll
Ewing of Vassar are spending a
week with their grandparents,
the Paul Coles.

Mrs. Beulah Wixson and Miss
Ruth Border visited the Coles
Thursday.

Connie and Carol Ewing visited
their uncle and aunt, Mr. and
Mrs. Ken Allen, at Littlefield
Lake Sunday.

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Real Estate Transfers

(Editor's Note: We point out
that the following Real Estate
Transfers do not necessarily mean
recent sales. The Register of
Deeds gives out for publication
only warranty deeds on record;
which can mean a land-contract
finally paid up several years af-
ter purchase. The Real Estate
Transfers are of interest, how-
ever, as they are the only source
of information on the movement
of land ownership in the county.)

Lake Isabella Corp. to Robert
L. Secord and Doris, Lot 55,
Lake Isabella Woods No. 1,
Sherman.

Lake Isabella Corp. to Franz
J. Hilberer and wife, Lot 404,
Lake Isabella Plat No. 3, Broom-
field.

Lake Isabella Corp. to Charles
J. Boyle and wife, Lot 73, Lake
Isabella Forest No. 1, Sherman.

Lake Isabella Corp. to Law-
rence B. Rice and wife, Lot
98, Lake Isabella Forest No. 1,
Sherman.

Lake Isabella Corp. to Marion
L. Mathewson and wife, Lot
132, Lake Isabella Plat No. 2,
Sherman.

Lake Isabella Corp. to John
W. Sample and wife, Lot 113,
Lake Isabella Forest No. 1,
Sherman.

Larry L. Lavery and wife to
Thomas P. Miller and wife, pt.
s 1/2 s 1/2 sw sw sec. 2, Gil-
more.

Laura R. Pifer to Ray E. New-
berry and wife, n 1/2 nw nw
sec. 10, Coldwater.

Esther L. Ryzenga to John A.
Thering and wife, Lot 42, Hys-
lop's Coldwater Lake No. 3,
Nottawa.

Walter E. Tower and wife to
John A. Miesel and wife, n 1/2
ne se sec. 10, Coldwater.

James K. Bell and wife to
William F. Thornton and wife,
pt. se se sec. 25, Deerfield.

Reva L. Bricault to William
A. Berner and wife, sw sw sec.
5, Coldwater.

Lake Isabella Corp. to Vinton
H. Donner and wife, Lot 358,
Lake Isabella Forest No. 2,
Sherman.

Lake Isabella Corp. to Daniel
P. Schafer and wife, Lot 394,
Lake Isabella Forest No. 2,
Sherman.

Richard E. Johnson and wife
to John C. Powlison and wife,
pt. nw ne sec. 20, Gilmore.

Judy L. Hansen to Curtis R.
DuVall and wife, sw sw sec.
34, Broomfield.

Albert A. Austin and wife to
Harold D. Lockwood and wife,
pt. ne ne sec. 4, Gilmore.

Est. of John Donald Houghton,
Sr., to Joseph M. Meredith and
wife, pt. ne ne sec. 20, Deer-

field.

Leon G. McArthur to Bernard
R. Pitts and wife, Lots 7, 8, 9,

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LIBRARY NEWS

By Diane Benn

Summer is a good time to do "light" reading. Gladys McArthur Memorial Library has 25 magazine subscriptions of interest to everyone: American Home, Antiques, Better Homes and Gardens, Camping Magazine, Changing Times, Field & Stream, Good Housekeeping, Hobbies, Hot Rod, Ladies Home Journal, Life, McCall's Modern Photography, National Parks & Conservation, Natural History, Newsweek, Popular Mechanics, Readers Digest, Redbook, Science Digest, Science News, Scientific American, Seventeen Magazine, Sports Illustrated, and Time.

All these magazines may be checked out for two weeks and renewed if need be. Any magazine a reader may desire that is not available at our local library can be requested from Mt. Pleasant. Some magazines are available in Braille from the State Library in Lansing. Simply ask the volunteer librarian to note your request.

Mrs. Betty Mullet of Coldwater Lake recently donated some volumes among which were recent copies of Readers Digest Condensed Books. These are convenient for fast, light reading of newer popular selections. The library has a complete set of condensed books.

With busy summer activities, do include reading. For fast, easy reading, magazines and condensed books are perfect, and are available at the library (hours 2.30 to 5 p.m. Monday, Tuesday, Friday and Saturday).

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Two Rivers

Blanche Carr, Reporter

THE JACK LIEDERS OBSERVE THEIR 45TH ANNIVERSARY

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Lieder celebrated their 45th wedding anniversary Sunday with many visitors coming to congratulate them.

Guests from away included Mr. and Mrs. David Lieder and children of Wildwood, Rev. and Mr. Mrs. Walter Lieder and son, John, of Danvers, Ill., Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lieder of Stewardson, Ill., Mr. and Mrs. Olaf Jensen and sons of Dearborn, and the Tom Taylors of Detroit.

A very happy day it was for all.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Flaughter attended the Flaughter reunion at Island Park in Mt. Pleasant Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Bert Chaffee were Sunday morning callers of the Flaughters. Mrs. Betty Worix was a Wednesday evening visitor.

Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher spent Sunday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Bob Hines.

Mrs. Paul Lueder and Ralph called on Mr. and Mrs. J. Greenwood of Vestaburg Sunday.

Mrs. Lillian Leinaar of Dalton

visited Mrs. Nettie Crowley and Jay Leinaar a few days last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Garrett and two sons called on her mother, Mrs. Ruth Keysor, Sunday in Midland. Mrs. Lachlan MacGregor and children spent the weekend with her parents, the Garretts. Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Keysor and children of Saginaw were Saturday visitors. Their son, Lee, is vacationing with the Garretts.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Combs were weekend guests of Mrs. Ella Cox. They and Emerson Marshall and two girls and Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Marshall were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Alan Marshall.

Mrs. Warren Lear and children were Sunday guests of her folks, Mr. and Mrs. Orves Cook.

Blanche Carr spent from Wednesday till Sunday with the Earl Strahles of St. Johns.

Visitors of Mrs. E. R. Rhode and Harold last week were Mr. and Mrs. Herman Lueder, Mrs. Paul Lueder and Ralph, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Cook, Mrs. Bea Adams, Mrs. Helen Hartman, and Mrs. Dorothy Rhode.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Thompson and family of Holt spent Friday with their grandmother, Mrs. E. R. Rhode, and Uncle Harold.

Mrs. Harold MacMillan and son, Doug, of Ann Arbor and Mrs. Annabel Ennis and a lady friend of Dexter were callers of Mrs. Choice Foster Sunday. Rev. and Mrs. Lawrence Smith called Sunday afternoon.

Risa and Mike Fiorillo left by plane from Tri-Cities Airport Sunday for a three-week visit at the homes of their father's family, the Fiorillos of Boston, Mass., and vicinity.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Taylor and family of Detroit and Mr. and Mrs. Singleton Moses and children of Flushing were weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Krueger and family.

The sixth Krueger-Lueder reunion was held Sunday at Mitchell Park in Weidman with 111 in attendance, including guests from Minnesota and Illinois.

Mrs. Kate Martin spent Wednesday with her daughter, Mrs. Ruby Schupbach, and family, in Mt. Pleasant. Mr. and Mrs. Ed Martin and family of Saginaw were Sunday guests of Kate and Ray.

Ernest Kennedy was hurt when he fell from a truck he was loading one day last week. He fell on his head and shoulders, to the driveway. He was able to go back to work the first of this week.

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Mrs. Claribel Beutler had Sunday dinner with the Forrest Johnston family in Rosebush. In the afternoon they attended a reception honoring Mr. and Mrs. Earl Fordyce on their 50th wedding anniversary, at the First Church of Christ in Mt. Pleasant, in the social rooms.

Local Items

Recent supper guests of Mrs. Claribel Beutler were Mrs. Nina Forbes, Mrs. Edna Schultz and Mrs. Leah Scharrer. They were joined in the evening by Mrs. Audrey Bushree and Mrs. Edith Touchinski.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Touchinski and children took his mother, Mrs. Edith Touchinski, to her home in Marquette where she will spend the summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Graham and family of Gilmore were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Pitts and family.

Paul and Carl Snider played at Kincheloe Air Force Base Friday and Saturday nights. Then

they went to Houghton to play this week. They will return home July 2. They have been booked solid with their three-piece band.

Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Kirvan of Lansing were visitors of Mrs. Emily Wood Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Earl Clouse of Remus were also guests.

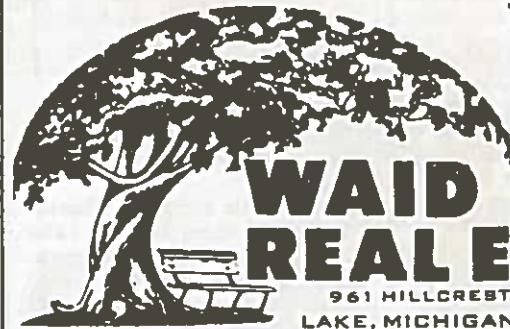
Mr. and Mrs. Gary McArthur and family spent Sunday evening with the Doug McArthur family.

Mr. and Mrs. Orla Allen of Saginaw were Sunday guests of his brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Alton Allen. The Allens also enjoyed other guests that day.

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