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Editor's Column

WHEN WE MAKE A BLOOPER, WE DO IT UP RIGHT

Seems that when Ye Ed makes a blooper in print, she is prone to do a thorough job of it.

We did it last week in our description of Lela Whearett's lovely picture painted on glass.

We called the picture a "lithopane," whereas, we have been informed, it is a "lithophane". And also we referred to the flowers as pansies, which is right out of this world.

Obviously, the flowers are sweet peas, and we knew this, and recognized them as sweet peas.

Please don't ask us where we got the pansies.

Our apologies, Lela, and our appreciation for your patience in bearing with us while we got a rather difficult photo of the antique picture.

So Bill Kaninsky has gone to his rest. May that rest be happy and serene. We believe it will be.

Bill Kaninsky lived in Weidman many years, and he was the best neighbor any family in town ever had.

When we were young, Bill and his family had a bakery shop in the old Fisher Hardware Building, since torn down.

When he closed his bakery, he started working for Floyd Mitchell at the Holmes Milling Company grist mill, now owned by Bader Milling Company.

Bill appeared at the kitchen door of any family stricken with grief or misfortune, his arms laden with packages of fresh-baked goodies he had made very early that morning.

He appeared at the Roes' kitchen door that way when Paul Roe died in Middleville, and we came up here to bury him. He came again during Allys' illness, and at her death.

He was stricken with illness after that, and resided at the old Broomfield Hospital until the new Miedcal Facility was built at CMC Hospital in Mt. Pleasant. He spent years at the Medical facility, going up and down hallways in his wheelchair, always responding joyfully to any greetings of old friends.

This year he was transferred to
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A NEW LOOK--For the Weidman Branch of the Isabella County State Bank of Mt. Pleasant is being enjoyed by employees and patrons of the bank. Complete remodeling of the tellers' stations was effected, along with new carpeting for the foyer. Allen Lumber was contractor for the job, with Chester Vore doing the cabinetwork. At tellers' stations in the photo above are, left to right: Alberta Bleise, Jean McArthur and Dawn Cotter.

Messenger photo

Note that the bank, in its complete remodeling of interior, has nevertheless retained the old picture of John S. Weidman, founder of the Weidman Banking Company and the Isabella County Bank, both starting out as private banks backed only by the personal fortunes of their owners. Both banks are now State Banks, according to state law outlawing any private banks.

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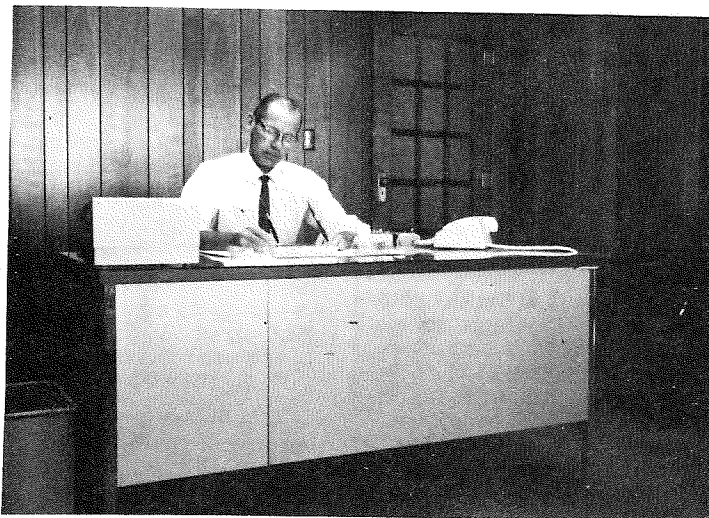
FOOTBALL IS THE WORD AT CHIPPEWA HILLS SCHOOLS

A four-team scrimmage was held at Manistee Saturday, with Chippewa Hills players doing well.

The first game of the season is scheduled Friday, at Ithaca.

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HOME PAPER FOR THE WEST HALF OF ISABELLA COUNTY



VICE PRESIDENT MITCHELL McARTHUR'S OFFICE--Has been moved into the front area formerly designated a catchall room for any meetings and for Township Treasurers collecting taxes. Mitchell McArthur is now a member of the Board of Directors for the two banks, the Isabella County State Bank of Mt. Pleas-

Men in Uniform

Gary Cotter arrived home Friday to stay, after four and a half months in California with the National Guard.

He and his wife, Dawn (Clark), make their home in a mobile trailer on the John Cotter place.

M/Sgt. and Mrs. Ross Momany arrived in Whittier, Calif., a suburb of Los Angeles, after a cross-country trip, enjoying camping along the way.

They camped in state parks, and also visited relatives in Salt Lake City. They recently returned from Germany, and visited Ross' mother, Mrs. Ruth Momany, here, before beginning their Western trip.

They have rented a house, and are in the process of redecorating it. Their children, Jean and Ken, attend different schools, while the two girls attend the same high school. Ross has an hour's drive to work each day, in heavy traffic.

Ross will be in the Security Service, in which he has served for some time.

Their address: M/Sgt. Ross E. Momany, 8445 South Norwalk, Boulevard, Whittier, Calif. 90606.

They like the climate there, but the traffic is really something, they say. A brand-new Army base is being staffed near Los Angeles.

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Local Items

Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Brien of Mt. Pleasant were Wednesday evening callers of his mother, Mrs. Nina Forbes. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Holt of Mt. Pleasant and Mr. and Mrs. Russell Wilson were Thursday evening callers.

Nina Forbes, Gladys Wilson and Margaret Hathaway were Friday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Gale Brien of Shepherd.

Mrs. Nina Forbes has a new great-granddaughter, Kristin Kay, born Sept. 10 at Gratiot Community Hospital to Mr. and Mrs. Vern Patz of Ithaca. Kristin Kay weighed five pounds, four ounces at birth. Mrs. Patz is the former Sue Ann Brien, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles R. Brien, of Mt. Pleasant.

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ant and its branch at Weidman. He is also a vice-president of the merged banks.

Central Gilmore

Lola Fordyce, Reporter

Miss Susie Faber and Miss Marcie Miller spent the weekend with Susie's sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Battle, of Paris.

Tuesday supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Egbert Fordyce were Greg Pitts of Big Rapids, and friend, Miss Chris Szwarc, of Elma, Iowa.

Filling silos and planting wheat is the order of the day for the farmers.

We were all glad to see the rain, after a long summer drouth.

Sunday evening Mr. and Mrs. Lamont McAlvey and family of Lansing stopped on their way home from the North to see their parents, the Ed McAlveys.

Sympathy is extended to the family of William Kaninsky.

I guess I was about asleep last week when I looked up the date for the next meeting of the Merry Go Round Club. Don't plan to go this week, as it was last week. Sorry.

The Merry Go Round meeting was at Verna Seymour's home, instead of Mrs. Wendel's as she had to go to Flint.

Sunday the Fordyce clan gathered at the home of Gaylord Fordyce in Blanchard. Those members present were Mr. and Mrs. Elam Seymour, Mr. and Mrs. Don Seymour, Mrs. Bernice Cook of Farwell, Mr. and Mrs. Egbert Fordyce, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Fordyce of Mt. Pleasant, Mr. and Mrs. Freeman Fordyce of Greenville, Mrs. Donna Fordyce of Saginaw, and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Craven of Winn, and Gaylord's daughter, Eleanor, of Owosso.

The Gilmore Church is having a picnic at Mitchell Memorial Park in Weidman next Sunday. Pot-luck dinner at 1 p.m. Everyone welcome.

Mr. and Mrs. La Verne Perry of Midland and Mrs. Ruth Pitts were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. James Pitts. In the afternoon they went to Ardis Rest Home to visit their sister, Mrs. Lola Graham.

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Local Items

Clayton Smith underwent surgery for appendicitis Saturday afternoon at CMC Hospital. He was feeling better Monday, but was still in a lot of pain.

Mr. and Mrs. Hobie Moody and family of Blanchard and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Touchinski and George Miller were Friday evening callers of Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Sprague and girls. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Williams and children were Saturday dinner guests.

A group of 13 local men attended the Methodist United Men's Retreat for the Central District at Lake Louise over the weekend.

IOOF, REBEKAHS ENJOY ASSOCIATION PICNIC

Thirty-eight members and guests of IOOF and Rebekah Lodges, Isabella-Claire-Gladwin Association, enjoyed a picnic at the local lodge rooms Sunday.

Shepherd, Farwell, Clare, Coleman, and Weidman were represented.

A bountiful dinner was served, followed by a short business meeting.

An afternoon spent in visiting and games was enjoyed.

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North Weidman

Elvah Gott, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Adams of Lake called on Mr. and Mrs. Roy S. Adams one day last week. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Embrey of Farwell were Tuesday supper guests. Mrs. Mary Brace and Mrs. Sylvia Wilmot were Wednesday dinner guests.

Mrs. Dale Maeder and son, David, called on Mr. and Mrs. Norman Abbott Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Lutz of Remus called on Mr. and Mrs. Earl Blodgett Sunday.

Miss Jo Latham stayed with her grandmother, Mrs. Laura Latham, the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Norwood Van Wormer of Oxford visited Mr. and Mrs. Ed Olger Saturday and Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl McGillis called on Mr. and Mrs. John Gott Thursday. They are from Lake. Mr. and Mrs. Albert Gott and Larry of Winn were also callers.

Donny Alwood celebrated his 10th birthday Sunday afternoon at his home. Several classmates and friends enjoyed ice cream, cake and punch. Grandma Gott made Donny a football cake for the occasion. He received some nice gifts.

Mrs. Hermione Smith enjoyed supper at the home of her daughter, Helen Alwood, and family recently, to help celebrate her 77th birthday.

Rusty Alwood took his father, Don, to St. Mary's Hospital in Saginaw Monday afternoon to have his back operated on again for some repair work. Mrs. Alwood and Rusty spent Tuesday in Saginaw.

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Local Items

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Smith and Jim spent Saturday night and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Roger Smith and family of Flint.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Smith of Wolverine called Saturday afternoon to see their father, Clayton Smith, at CMC Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Dennis of Rockford were Sunday afternoon visitors and supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. R.D. Sprague. Ronnie and Bonnie Sprague and girls were also supper guests.

BETTER THAN A LETTER

Brinton News

Frances Beck, Reporter

Mrs. Myrtle Corey of Houghton Lake was a Tuesday overnight guest of Flossie Forbes.

Fern Verette and Echo Godwin were in Saginaw Friday, shopping.

Bud Longtin and Frances Beck spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Metzger of Bailey.

Bessie Holmes and Bill were recent callers of Eathel Beers. Glad to see Mrs. Holmes able to be out, after her illness.

Mrs. Wayne La Londe called on her grandmother, Esther Bazaire, at the Kenneth Bazaire home near Barryton one day last week.

Eunice La Londe joined Nora Geasler, Ellen Geasler, Flossie Forbes and Frances Beck and

attended Merry Go Round Club at the home of Verna Seymour last Thursday. The October meeting will be with Ellen Geasler Thursday, Oct. 15.

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Local Items

Walter Hess of Wisconsin spent Saturday with his sister and family, the Garold St. Johns.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Wernette and family visited Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Kohler of Farwell Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Geitman spent Saturday in Muskegon, watching fishermen haul in big coho salmon.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Owens of Gibraltar spent from Wednesday till Sunday with Mrs. Lela Wharett.

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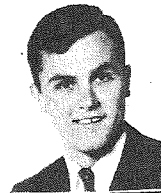
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Aug. 27tf

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Sept. 17t1

LOST--Honda tool kit with in-
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Sept. 10tf

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water Lake.
Aug. 27tf

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Card of Thanks

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tives and freinds for sending me
so many cards, and for visiting
me while I was in the hospital.
Your thoughtfulness is greatly
appreciated.

Minnie Strauch

Obituary

WILLIAM KANINSKY

William Kaninsky, a former
resident of Weidman, and be-
loved of all, died Saturday mor-
ning, Sept. 12, in the Mecosta
Memorial Hospital at Stanwood.
He had been transferred there
Sept. 3 from the Billings Rest
Home at Millbrook.

He was 76. He was born in New
York City July 24, 1884, the son
of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kaninsky,
both from Bohemia.

In 1912 the family moved from
Pennsylvania to Rosebush, where
Frank Kaninsky worked as a but-
cher's helper and relieved bakers
when help was needed.

The family moved to Shepherd,
where they bought a 40-acre farm.
About 1917 the family moved
again, to a farm south of Weid-
man.

Frank Kaninsky started up a
bakery shop in Weidman, and
did well. In the early 1920's the
bakery was run by Felix, and
William Kaninsky took on the
business later. In the 1940s he
went to work for the Holmes Mill-
ing Company.

He had spent more than a de-
cade in the Broomfield Memori-
al Hospital, the Medical Facili-
ty at Mt. Pleasant, and at the
Billings Home, following a
stroke.

He was greatly handicapped
after the stroke, but was deeply
appreciative of any word of
kindness or greeting from friends
of Weidman, and of course his
family.

He was last employed by the
Holmes Milling Company, in
the days before the mill was pur-
chased by the Bader Milling
Company.

He was a member of the now-
defunct Forest Hill Church of
God, and was a deeply religious
man.

He is survived by his wife, Ma-
rie, of Gladwin; one son, Robert,
of Blanchard; four daughters,
Mrs. Jessie Johnston of Lansing,
Mrs. Ann Taylor of Gladwin,
Mrs. Rosalie Winn of Cupertino,
Calif., and Mrs. Dorothy Ray
of Mt. Pleasant;

Also two brothers, Felix Ste-
vens of Sanford and Joseph Ste-
vens of Lansing; two sisters, Mrs.
Rosalie Benn of Shepherd and
Mrs. Julia Philipps of Gilmore

Township; and 14 grandchildren
and some great-grandchildren.

The family has the sincere
sympathy of the area.

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the Churches

WEIDMAN UNITED METHODIST

Rev. Athel J. Lynch, Pastor
Church School, 10 a.m.
Worship, 11 a.m.
Choir rehearsal, 7.30 p.m.

Thursday.

Evening Service second Sun-
day, 7.30 p.m.

Fellowship dinner third Sunday,
12.30 p.m.

WSCS, first Thursday, 2.30,
at the church. McArthur Circle,
third Thursday, 8 p.m. Esther
Circle third Tuesday, 8 p.m.

Methodist Men, fourth Wed-
nesday, 6.30 p.m.

WINN-COOMER CHARGES

Rev. Athel J. Lynch, Pastor
At Winn:

Church at 9 a.m. Sunday
School at 10 a.m.

Youth Senior MYF meets sec-
ond and third Sundays, 7 p.m.
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south of Mt. Pleasant.

Worship service, 9 a.m.
Church School, 10 a.m.

WEIDMAN BAPTIST CHURCH

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Pastor: Marvin Eldridge

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Sunday School, 10 a.m.

Preaching, 11 a.m.

Choir practice 6.45 p.m.

Evening Service, 7.30 p.m.

Prayer Meeting (Wednesday)

7.30 p.m.

Sept. 20 (Sunday), Dick Sipe,

our rural Bible missionary, will

be the speaker at 11 a.m. Many

who met him during our week of

Bible School will want to see him

again.

Ladies' Missionary Meeting,

Sept. 21, Monday evening, at

the home of Violet Carr.

Seven from our church attend-

ed Quarterly Meeting at Skeels

last week. District officers were

elected.

GILMORE CHURCH OF CHRIST

George Getchel, Minister
Located six miles south of Far-
well.

Morning Worship, 9.30 a.m.

Bible School, 10.30 a.m.

Youth Hour, 6 p.m.

Evening Worship, 7.30 p.m.

Revival meetings will start

next Sunday, Sept. 20, and run

through Friday evening, Sept.

25.

Next Sunday is our Sunday

School picnic, at Mitchell Mem-
orial Park in Weidman.

BROOMFIELD ZION LUTHERAN

Located six miles south of Weid-
man on Coldwater Road.

Rev. Edwin Schmelzer, Pastor.

Sunday School, 9.15 a.m.

Worship Service, 10.30 a.m.

Ladies' Aid meets on second

Wednesday of each month.

Walker Creek News

Esther Stanley, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Ronald De Vries and Rhonda and Richard of Big Rapids and Mr. and Mrs. Willis Finney and Scott and Michael of the Coldwater oil field were Sunday dinner guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Denslow. Miss Amy Warner and Miss Lee Ann Davis were Sunday guests of Miss Denise Denslow.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Monroe and Blane visited her brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Dalton Shook, and family of Barryton recently. Mr. Monroe reported that Mr. Shook was well, and had returned to his work at the Dow Chemical Company at Midland. He also reported the passing of Wm. Kaninsky Saturday morning. Mr. Kaninsky was a good friend of all the farmers in our community when he worked at Holmes Milling Company. We extend our sympathy to the family, relatives, and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Dosenberry were Saturday supper guests of his sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Marion Anderson, of Grand Rapids, at their cottage on Brady Lake. Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Dosenberry and Blaine were Sunday dinner guests of his parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Keith Thompson visited their son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Craig Thompson, at Roger Heights, Big Rapids, on Sunday.

Mrs. Lou Gray and granddaughter, Mrs. Gary Portenga, visited Mrs. Duane Gray, at CMC Hospital in Mt. Pleasant Thursday afternoon. Mrs. Duane Gray was able to return home Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Gary Portenga and family spent the weekend with his parents, the Edward Andersons, at Conklin and Crockery Lake at DeVoss'.

Mr. and Mrs. Lou Gray went to Crockery Lake, near Conklin, where they were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Larry DeVoss and family. Mr. and Mrs. Portenga and family and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Ley, of Conklin, joined them for a birthday dinner honoring Maria De Voss and Kimberly Anderson, daughters of the Portengas. Mr. Gray has been busy the past week assisting at the La Verne Forbes new home west of Brinton.

Mrs. Gilbert Schrock and Philip attended a birthday party for his cousin, Brian Tetslaff, Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Tetslaff now live in the home formerly owned by Mr. and Mrs. Ed Olger. Mr. and Mrs. Pete Wright of Brinton visited Mr. and Mrs. Schrock and Philip Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Otto Skalitzky attended the Merry Go Round Club at the

Elam Seymour home Thursday. Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Bazaire of Chippewa Lake called on Mr. and Mrs. Skalitzky Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Rodman of Crooked Lake visited Mr. and Mrs. Otis Conley Wednesday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Conley visited Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Gorbey of Lake Thirteen Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Conley spent the weekend at Holland, guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Favreau. They called on Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Brink of Fenville en route home.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Schrock and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Smith, of Riverdale spent Friday over night and Saturday at Wittmore. Edward, Debbie and Susan Schrock of Farwell were Saturday overnight and Sunday guests of their grandparents, attending the Brinton Chapel Sunday School picnic at the Community Hall in Brinton.

Brenda, Darla, Debbie and Randy Packer of Deerfield Center spent Sunday with their uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Denslow.

Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Denslow visited Mr. and Mrs. Micky Dargitz and family of rural Remus Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Peeper and sons of Lansing were weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Keith Loomis and daughters.

Mrs. Warren Leiter and Cheryl and David visited at the Virgil Loomis home south of Weidman Friday afternoon, making acquaintance of the new baby girl whom they have named Rebecca Sue. Mr. and Mrs. Max Kimball and family of Mt. Pleasant visited Mr. and Mrs. Leiter and family Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Adelbert Pung were overnight guests the previous Sunday at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Stanley.

Visitors and callers during the week at the Stanley home were Mr. and Mrs. Donald Stanley of Weidman, Mrs. Andrew Stanley of Barryton, and daughter, Mrs. Fred Ray, and son, Michael, of Sparta; Mr. and Mrs. Otis Stanley of Lansing, who were vacationing at their cottage at Horsehead Lake, and his father, Clair Stanley, of Farwell.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley visited at the Clair and Floyd Stanley home Saturday afternoon, and were supper guests. Mr. and Mrs. James Stanley of Elsie were also guests, so had a nice visit with them.

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Mr. and Mrs. Carl Embrey plan to go to Denver, Colo., about Oct. 3, where they will visit their daughter, Carolyn Baker, and family. They will return to Weidman before starting for their winter home in Florida.

Around Horr

Jessie Rosencrantz, Reporter

Mrs. Margaret Denslow and Mr. and Mrs. Orlin Denslow enjoyed an evening and ice cream with the Dean Denslow family. Mrs. Margaret Denslow and Mrs. Eva Denslow had dinner in Clare Sunday, and called on Mrs. Ruby Williams.

Joe Carroll was a Sunday guest at the Joe Martin home.

Mrs. Blanche Carr was a Sunday dinner guest of Mrs. Eva Denslow.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Lutz were Friday afternoon callers at the Charlie Losey home.

Word comes from a fishing party who went west of Howard City that that area was completely covered with army worms. Poplar and oak trees were stripped, they reported, and anything floating on the waters of the Muskegon River was piled with the worms. Leaves were gone over the Muskegon River area where they fished, they reported. Reminds us that locust plagues have been reported in the West and Southwest this year. Hope those army worms don't travel this far.

Mr. and Mrs. Garth Lawrence and Pam were a week ago Monday dinner guests of his mother, Mrs. Nettie Lawrence, and were also Sunday dinner guests. Mrs. Nettie Lawrence went to the Rebekeh picnic at Weidman Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Dutcher and family spent Sunday evening with the Earl Oplinger family. Mr. and Mrs. Oplinger called on the Steve Raus Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Dent spent

Monday evening with the Russell Sides family. Tim Krueger spent Tuesday over night with his grandparents. Mr. and Mrs. Dent spent Wednesday evening with the Harold Kruegers. Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Johnson and children spent Tuesday evening with her folks. Mr. and Mrs. Ken Allen were Sunday guests of the Dents.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Cummins of Ithaca and Bill Cummins of Six Lakes were Saturday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Alva Cummins. Mr. and Mrs. Tracy White, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Cummins and Bill Cummins were Sunday dinner guests. Monday Larry took his father to the Veterans' Hospital at Battle Creek for tests and treatment for stomach trouble.

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Local Items

Labor Day and supper guests of Helen Smith and Ula Cummins were Larry and Cheryl Cummins of Ithaca and Garth and Judy Lawrence and Pamela of Midland. Other weekday callers were Lucy Cline of Belding, Avis Satterly, Helen's sister, and Gale and Greta Satterlee of Belding. Sunday afternoon callers were Cheryl Cummins, Judy and Pam Lawrence, and Nettie Lawrence.

Mrs. R.D. Sprague gave a belated birthday dinner for her son, Ronnie, and his wife, Bonnie, Sunday. Mrs. Bessie Teall of Mt. Pleasant was also a guest.

Alton Allen had surgery Monday morning at Ferguson Hospital in Grand Rapids. Mrs. Allen spent the weekend with their son, Rev. Carl Allen, and family in Lansing.

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Dora Smith, Reporter

Bonnie Lou and Robbie Scott McGill of Belding spent the Labor Day weekend with her sister, Bobbie Ferner, of North Vandecar Road.

Mrs. Fred Yuncker spent a few days with her folks, the Frank Theisens, after returning from the hospital.

Mike Yuncker spent the week with his grandparents, the Frank Theisens.

Terry and Randy Yuncker spent the week with the Tom Pasches.

Charles Gross and Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Killicut and family of Shepherd had dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Francis Schafer Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Block spent Sunday at Cadillac.

The Voisin reunion was held Sunday at the KC Hall.

Mrs. Philomena Honeywell, Miss Josie Bengal and Kitty Gross spent Wednesday afternoon with Louise Smith, and stayed for supper. They also called on Kitty Gross, Walter Smith, and Tillie Schafer. Mrs. Fuller and two lady friends of Pontiac called on Mrs. Smith Saturday, and got the quilt she won at the KC festival. Mrs. Bernard Gross called Sunday. Mrs. Bill Barz was a Saturday caller.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Pung of Hemlock spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Steve Pung and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Schafer and family.

Mrs. George Keyho of Lake City visited Mrs. Tony Schafer last Tuesday. Mrs. Schafer and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Schafer and Mrs. Charles Winland spent the weekend at Jensen Lake.

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Coldwater Lake

Marjorie Schafer, Reporter

Hi:

Looks like the fall weather is really sneaking up on us, as it sure seems like November weather today (Monday).

Tuesday evening we had our nephew, Rodney Klumpp, who was home on leave, over for supper, and also his family, mother Betty and sisters, Juanita, Jolene and Diane, and Jerry Wilson. Rod left Friday for Camp Pendleton, Calif.

Edith Lueder came over for a few minutes Tuesday afternoon. Ismarie Galgozi walked down to visit Wednesday afternoon.

Friday on their way home from the doctor, Pete and Loretta Lorenz stopped in and had dinner at the home of their son, Ron. In the afternoon they visited at the Joe Keiffer home in Beal City.

Saturday visitors at the Lorenz home were the Jack Lorenz family of Rothbury, the Ron Lorenz family and children of the Paul Simmers. Sunday guests were Lou Theisen and children and Ray and Kate Martin.

Don and Judy Schafer came

over and played cards with us Saturday evening.

Our guests Sunday were George and Virginia Bader and daughter, Jane, and Craig and Linda Kandaris.

Pam Safford has rented the Smith home on the west side of the lake. Her guests Sunday were Robert and Nellie Klumpp and son, Rick, her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Safford, Craig and Linda Kandaris, and Nick and Kaye Kandaris.

Rick Klumpp had an accident Saturday morning on the Winn road.

Tillie Schafer called Sunday evening to tell us she had returned home. She had spent the weekend with her son, Walter, and family at Jensen Lake, near Mecosta.

That's it for this week.

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Two Rivers

Blanche Carr, Reporter

Mrs. Maude Johnston and Mrs. Ella Cox were Sunday dinner guests of Mrs. Leona Courser.

Callers of Mrs. Nettie Baker this week were Mr. and Mrs. Homer Moses, Mrs. Lylah Stoll, Mrs. Roxanne Leiter, and Mrs. Verna Seymour and granddaughters.

Blanche Carr went to the church at DeWitt Sunday and was an overnight guest of Mr. and Mrs. Rollie Campbell of rural Winn. Blanche called on Mrs. Etta Bellinger and Clinton Monday morning.

The CMB Club met with Mrs. Lovica Krueger in Mt. Pleasant Thursday, with 16 ladies present. The next meeting will be with Mrs. Edith Smiley of Coldwater Lake.

Blaine Stansell visited Mr. and Mrs. Oral Bunting Thursday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Flaughter attended the EAA meeting at the Ronald Flaughter home Sunday. This is a club for experimental flyers. A bountiful pot-luck dinner was served at noon.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Flaughter and children of Lake Thirteen were Friday evening guests of the Ray Flaughters.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Seybert, Jr., of Elsie and Mr. and Mrs. Terry Seybert of Mt. Pleasant visited the Earl V. Seyberts Sunday.

Janet and Connie Schupbach of Mt. Pleasant were Sunday guests of their grandmother, Mrs. Kate Martin.

Blanche Carr called on Mrs. Edith Smiley and Mrs. Vina Bailey at Coldwater Lake and Mrs. Nettie Baker, Monday.

Mrs. Ernest Kennedy has enrolled in Mid-Michigan College at Harrison for a course in nursing.

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Helen Smith called on her daughter, Vera, near Remus, Saturday.

NEWS NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. George Looman of Cedar Springs were afternoon and luncheon guests of Mr. and Mrs. R.D. Sprague Saturday. Ruth Hutchins of Rosebush was

a Sunday caller of Blanche Cliff and Emma Middlesworth.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Embrey visited Howard Blackmer in the Lakeview hospital Sunday. They also visited friends in Greenville.

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S. W. Sherman

Goldie Dutcher, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Chris Comstock had a lawn party and pot-luck dinner for their friends and relatives at their farm home near Blanchard Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Orrie Merrihew attended from here.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Maeder and Mark and Mr. and Mrs. Gary Gatehouse and family spent Friday evening with the Harry Gatehouses. Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Hines visited Sunday evening.

Mrs. Mary Beutler and children and Claribel Beutler visited the Jim Beutlers Sunday evening. Mary and children visited the Frank Wagesters Saturday evening, and watched the Miss America Pageant.

Mr. and Mrs. John Beers of Central Lake spent Monday morning and were dinner guests of the Ervin Dutchers.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Maeder and Mark were Saturday supper and evening guests of the Henry Burggraf, Jr., family of Shepherd.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Tibbetts and family of East Lansing visited the Howard Beutlers Saturday.

Mrs. Marion Beutler attended WSCS officers' meeting at Grav-

el Lake, near Kalamazoo, last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Kirvan of Pontiac were in a car accident Sunday afternoon, in Pontiac.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Tabor and family of Lansing spent Friday over night and Saturday with Catherine McDaniel and girls.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Beutler and children visited Mr. and Mrs. Norman Schultheiss of St. Johns for a picnic dinner a week ago Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Dutcher and sons, Chris and Jon, spent Friday over night and Saturday with his folks, the Clayton Dutchers. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dutcher and children, Rex and Dawn, spent Saturday and over night with them. Mr. and Mrs. Jim Dutcher and Kim and Rachel spent Friday with them.

Walter Howe, Jr., was in a motorcycle accident Saturday near Grayling and is in the Midland hospital with a broken leg.

Mr. and Mrs. George Merrihew and Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher, Sr., attended the wedding of Miss Rebecca Mciauszek and Terry Dutcher Saturday evening in Detroit, at the Sacred Heart of Jesus Church, and a dinner at a famous inn in Livonia, Becky's

home town.

Monroe Dutcher of Clarkston came and got them Saturday morning and he and brother Jack brought them home Sunday evening.

Ernie Dell of Middleville visited his father, Emory Dell, Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Dutcher visited Mrs. Ted Case at the Big Rapids hospital Sunday afternoon.

Patti Dutcher spent Monday afternoon with Ronna Jean Dutcher. Mrs. Clayton Dutcher was a caller.

Ervin Dutcher called on the Clayton Dutchers Monday morning.

Rudy Tabor spent Monday and over night with his sister, Catherine McDaniel.

Mrs. Marion Beutler attended District Officers' meeting at Mecosta Monday.

Emory Dell spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hardenburgh and family at Pierson.

Mr. and Mrs. John Beers of Central Lake spent from Saturday till Monday with Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hines.

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WE OLDSTERS REMEMBER THE BARTLETT FAMILY

Many of this area knew LaRue Bartlett, Virginia Baxter's father, though the family lived in Chicago. LaRue passed away two years ago in October, and we reprint some thoughts of Alyce Bartlett, daughter, a copy of which was given us by Virginia Baxter in the spring. Here 'tis:

Today we read so much about the lack of the father image in the home. Television depicts Dad as a bumbling, clumsy, always putting his foot in his mouth oaf.

We find this very hard to believe, as I have known a kind, quiet gentleman for 23 years whose children had nothing but love, respect and admiration for him. He was wise, understanding, and there was never a lack of communication.

When you had a problem, he would say, "Let's sit down and talk it out." He made your problem seem less weighty and always helped you find a solution. He was firm but open minded, and always fair. Not only did he have a very close relationship with his children, but his grandchildren found there was no "generation gap" here.

Grandpa always had time for each of his 13 grandchildren.

West Gilmore

Lena Cole, Reporter

Mrs. Paul Cole visited Mrs. Anna Hamner at Pleasant Manor Thursday.

Velma Cole returned home Saturday after a week spent with her nephews and nieces, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ganser and Mr. and Mrs. John Balint, and brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Mossell.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Wixson and son spent a week at the home of his mother, Mrs. Beulah Wixson.

Mrs. Wixson is getting a new bathroom installed.

The Paul Coles were dinner guests Thursday of their sister, Mrs. Helen Wardwell.

Mr. and Mrs. George Courter of Oakley and Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Courter and son of Chesaning returned home Tuesday after spending the weekend with his sister, Mrs. Clara Wixson.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Ellsworth (Carol Hamilton) and children of Charlotte visited the Paul Coles Monday. The Ellsworths and children, Debbie, Doug and Dan, spent a week camping across the Straits. They all participated in the Labor Day walk across the bridge.

Next meeting of the Merry Go Round Club will be Thursday, Oct. 8, at the home of Carl and Ellen Geasler.

The Paul Coles were Thursday supper guests of their daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ewing.

The Coles helped their granddaughters, Connie, Carol and Mavis, celebrate their birthdays.

Mrs. Wm. Siegel is in Grant Hospital, very ill.

Mr. Siegel called on the Paul Coles Sunday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Dan Kripa were evening luncheon guests.

Mrs. Helen Wardwell spent several days with her son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Wardwell, at their trailer home.

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Local Items

Mrs. Minnie Strauch was released from CMC Hospital Sept. 3. She had been a patient there since Aug. 7, for treatment of an ulcer. On her release from the hospital, she spent a few days with her daughter's family in Coleman.

Vivian Bush of Blanchard visited her aunt, Mrs. Wanda Graham, and daughters, Sunday.

Mrs. Irma Kische and Mrs. Hermione Smith had Sunday dinner with the Don Smith family.

Mrs. Wanda Graham and Debbie attended a rodeo at the Dennis Carr farm west of town Saturday. Mrs. Graham and daughters also attended the Centennial celebration at Farwell last week.

HOME PAPER FOR THE WEST HALF OF ISABELLA COUNTY

In the Editor's Mail

Dear Connie:

Maybe you will be surprised to hear from me, although I think of you folks up there often.

I have been down in this beautiful place for two years. I did spend a month in Michigan last fall, to attend my granddaughter's wedding in Grand Rapids.

Was busy visiting my family, and didn't get to call on many friends, as everyone was busy and the roads were bad. I did get to see Maycie Cook in Edmore.

I heard from Lucile Merrihew and she says, Why don't you get Connie's paper and you will get all the news. So I'm sending my check for same. I know I will enjoy having it. So much has changed since I left there years ago. Especially around our old farm neighborhood.

I drove through Weidman and across to the new dam when I came across from Big Rapids to Six Lakes. Everything looked so different and open.

Where we are, this time of year, the shrubs and trees are so full, just waiting for cooler weather to bloom. If we don't get one of the many tropical storms they are prophesying for this weekend, they will be green all winter.

We'll enjoy reading the paper, and hope things are O.K. with you all.

We are all feeling good here. A year ago Marge had open heart surgery and had a plastic valve implanted. So she is better than for years.

We are thankful for good doctors and hospital care.

Best regards,
Maude F. Robinson
400 47th St.
West Palm Beach, Fla. 33407

Dear Connie:

I enclose my check for \$7.50. Please extend my subscription to the Messenger.

To me it is a link with the past. It has been 44 years since I lived in that area, but family names I see in your paper recall memories, and I enjoy the old pictures you show of groups of people, old store buildings; am reminded of horse and buggy days, corduroy or sandy roads, pine-stump farming, etc.

Am glad you are developing a smog-free retreat for city people in the beautiful lake and river area.

Success to your Lake of the Hills project!

Sincerely
Grace Hines, Lake Odessa.

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NEWS NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. Fey Johnson and family left Friday morning for Punta Gorda, Florida, to spend the winter. Fey had been working at Marbark's at Winn, and was recently laid off.

REBEKAH CARD PARTY HAS TEN TABLES IN PLAY

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

Russell Wilson won first prize for the men, Edna Schultz won first for the women. Flossie Sel-

len won low.

Will Lawens won the pepper prize, with the door prize going to Kit Johnson.

The next Rebekah card party will be Tuesday afternoon, Sept. 22, at the Oddfellow Hall in Weidman.

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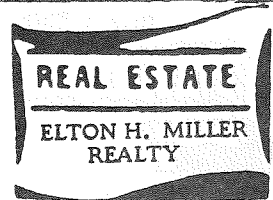
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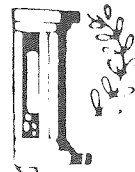
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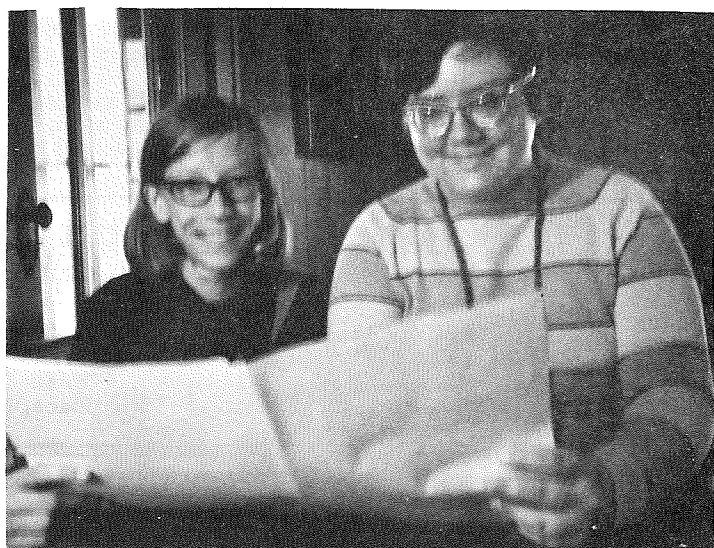
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THEY WROTE HISTORY OF WEIDMAN--Connie Wernette (left) and Denice Davy (right), both Eighth-graders in the Weidman Chippewa Hills School, wrote themes on the history of Weidman for their English class this week.

Connie is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dan Wernette, and Denice is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Davy. Both are 13 years old.

They came to the Messenger office for historical material, which we endeavored to give.

Efforts are being made to place at least one copy of a history of this village in the Gladys McArthur Memorial Library, for the use of all.

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Editor's Column

By Connie

(Continued from Page 1)

the Billings Rest Home at Millbrook, and stayed there till his final illness.

Many will remember Bill Kainisky, for his deeds beyond the call of friendship and neighborliness.

All of us still miss his cheery smile and hearty greeting of the good old days.

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ATTEND WEDDING IN PONTIAC

Mrs. Nina Forbes, Mrs. Margaret Hathaway, Mrs. Gladys Wilson of Rosebush and Mr. and Mrs. Gale Brien of Shepherd attended the wedding of their nephew and cousin, Bruce D. Linebaugh of Pontiac, and Cynthia Sharon Lupinski of Walled Lake, at Mercy College Chapel in Detroit, Friday, Sept. 11, at 6.30 p.m.

A reception was held at the East Ballroom of Mercy College. A dinner was served to over 150 people, and dancing followed.

Mr. and Mrs. Gale Brien, Mrs. Hathaway, Gladys Wilson and Nina Forbes spent Saturday night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Linebaugh of Pontiac.

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CONTINENTAL LEAGUE
Aug. 9

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Pabst Blue Ribbon	5	
Beal City Service	4	
Giant Super Mkt.	4	
Marchiando & Rau	3	
Wentworth IGA	3	
Lowery Northern	3	
Beal City Tavern	2	
Central Concrete	2	
Smalley Builders	2	
Schlitz Beer	2	
Household Appl.	1	

High Team Series: Marchiando & Rau 2921, High Team Game: Smalley Builders 1006.

High Indv. Series: Joe Marchiando 541, Ken Green 537, Bob Anderson 518.

High Indv. Game: John Wilmot 210, Bob Anderson 204, Bob Lyons 201.

GUYS & DOLLS
Aug. 11

McConnell-Myers	8	0
Blehm-Hyde	7	1
Moore-Long	7	1
Bierschbach-Zill	7	1
Nolte-Kolarik	5	3
Bleise-Straus	4	4
Thon-Blake	3	5
McArthur-Anderson	3	5
Ecker-Eldred	3	5
Lawens-Pantenburg	1	7
Stewart-Bleise	0	8
Moore-Moravy	0	8

High Team Series: Moore & Long 2360. High Team Game: McConnell & Myers 833.

High Indv. Series (men): Bob Anderson 548, Mitch McArthur 547, Jerry Blehm 529.

High Indv. Series (women): Barb Moore 527, Mary Blake 497, Mary Hyde 481.

High Indv. Game (men): Mitch McArthur 219, Bob Anderson 218, Loren Eldred 205.

High Indv. Game (women): Barb Moore 185, Mary Blake 185, Wilma Long 183.

NO CONTRACT AGREEMENT FOR CHIP HILLS TEACHERS

A joint release from the Chippewa Hills Board of Education and the Chippewa Hills Education Association negotiating committee states that teams from both sides have been meeting since last April, in an attempt to complete new working agreements between the Board and the teachers. The two sides now find themselves unable to agree on the terms of the new contract, and have reached a stalemate, the joint statement says.

By mutual consent, the teams have asked for the assistance of the Employment Relations Commission, a department of the Department of Labor, to come in and attempt to reconcile items on which the two teams have been unable to reach agreement.

C.J. Ford, mediator for this area, has been contacted relative to setting a date for a first mediation session.

Meantime, Chippewa Hills teachers again are teaching without a working agreement with the Board of Education.

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Weidman Messenger

BETTER THAN A LETTER

SENIORS TRAVEL CLUB PLANS TRIPS

The Senior Citizens Travel Club is planning a trip to the Upjohn Pharmaceutical Company in Portage, Mich., and the Kellogg Company at Battle Creek Sept. 23.

The bus will leave the KC Hall parking lot in Beal City at 6.30 a.m. and return about 5.30 p.m. Lunch will be at the Kellogg Company cafeteria.

There is a \$5.00 bus fee per person.

Next month the club is planning a color tour through Northwestern Michigan. Members will take a picnic lunch.

Next month's meeting will be Oct. 14 at 2 p.m.

The Mercury Bus Line is offering a 14-day Florida vacation trip for Senior Citizens, starting on Thanksgiving Day or the day after. Stops will be made at Mammoth Cave, Grand Ole Opry, St. Petersburg and Tampa, and then the members may enjoy five days at Miami.

Cost is \$250 for lodging and entry to Mammoth Cave, the Opry, etc.

Any interested Senior person may contact Mrs. Leon Schafer at tel. 644-3501.

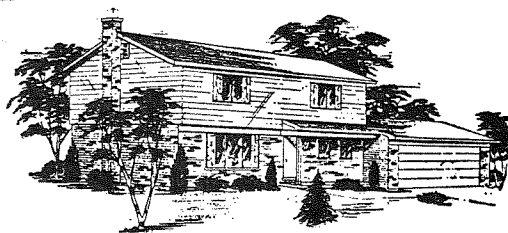
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Mr. and Mrs. Ed Boerema of Wyoming spent Wednesday with her mother, Mrs. Ina Gillett.

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