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Editor's Column

By Connie

THE MESSENGER IS DOING ALL RIGHT

We like getting out this little weekly newspaper. It makes no pretentions. It does not attempt to "grow". It does not spread out into any other territory than the Weidman and Beal City areas. It is a weekly record of the joys and sorrows and achievements of the people in these areas.

That's all.

It's real nice not to have to pretend, or to drive headlong for a bigger status.

Apparently a lot of other people feel the same way, for we receive new subscriptions, unsolicited, nearly every week. And that with our subscription rate probably the highest in the nation for a newspaper of our size.

We don't have to cater to the teenagers, or the school teachers, or schools themselves; we don't have to cater to old folks, as they know better than to be catered to; we don't cater to anyone, in fact. We're just ourselves, the Messenger and its elderly editor, Connie, and we offer you our record, week by week, of this area's doings and sayings and happenings, along with mayhap some deathless prose in this column on some political issue.

Apparently people like that. We like it, too.

And here we offer a Thank You to the June and July subscribers who started with us in 1964 and have renewed promptly every

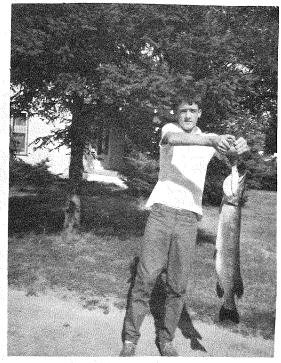
year.

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(Did you know that your expiration date for your subscription appears every week on your paper, just to the right of your name?)

Anyhow, thanks, all you wonderful people who read and like the Messenger. We like to get it out to you.

And don't forget, next Sunday (Continued on Back Page)



ANOTHER BIG ONE FROM LAKE OF THE HILLS--Dick Watts, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Watts (Marilyn Beutler) of Howard City, got this 10 3/4-pound, 34 1/2-inch Northern pike on a live minnow last Wednesday afternoon. Dick is 15, and this fish was a real thrill for him to bring in.

Messenger photo

He was fishing at the northern end of the lake, about the same place where Ivan Allen hauled in a big one a couple of weeks

Dick was using his Grandfather George Beutler's old casting rod, and reel, same as in the old days but Dick brought the big fish in in about five minutes of tussling, he said.

"I've tried a lot of times to get this fish," Dick said, "and lost him. But this time I finally got him."

Dick has sent in a claim for entering the Sports Afield State. Fishing Awards Program. Good luck on that, too, Dick!

The Wayne Watts family were among the first buyers of lots on Lake of the Hills, and they have a cottage on Lot 48, where they enjoy many weekends of fishing and boating.

Wayne is basketball and track coach at Morley-Stanwood High School.

HOME PAPER FOR THE WEST HALF OF ISABELLA COUNTY GILBERT WRIGHT PASSES AWAY IN PONTIAC HOSPITAL

Gilbert Wright passed away at Pontiac General Hospital Tuesday night, Aug. 25, after suffering from pneumonia. He was 86 on Monday last week, and died the next day.

He was born and raised in Weidman, a son of the Silas Wrights. He and Fey Middlesworth went to Pontiac together as young men, and Gilbert made that city his home.

He leaves his wife, Zolah, and one brother, Charlie, of Florida and Colorado.

Funeral services were held Saturday, Aug. 29, in Pontiac.

Many here will remember the

Many here will remember the Wrights as one of our oldest pioneer families of Weidman.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Owens of Gibraltar, Mich., were spending a few days with Mrs. Lela Whearett and Don Clark.

Mildred Tompkins of Barryton spent a couple of days this week with Blanche Cliff and Emma Middlesworth.

Men in Uniform

THE SPERRY TWINS

HAVE NEW BOY, NEW GIRL
The twin sons of Mr. and Mrs.
Lloy Sperry, who have spent the
past 11 years in the U.S. Navy,
are the proud fathers of a son
and daughter, respectively, the
babies being born a day apart.

Mr. and Mrs. Gary Sperry are the parents of a new son, born Aug. 24. (They had said they wanted a boy.)

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Sperry have a baby girl, born Aug. 25. (They said they wanted a girl.)

Both families are living at Pensacola, Florida, where the men are stationed.

Ernest Kennedy, Jr., of the U.S. Air Force was leaving last Friday for duty in Thailand.

He has been in the Air Force since last October. He is an electronics technician, servicing electrical units on planes.

He will be stationed at a base about 80 miles north of Bangkok, and probably will spend a year there.

He enlisted in the Air Force last October on a three-year hitch.

Steve Faber returned to Fort Carson, Colo., last Monday to complete his time in the service. He has put in his time in Vietnam, and returned home safely. We're glad, Steve!

Harry Hardenburgh, Jr. (Butch) left Aug. 23 for boot camp at Great Lakes, Ill.

---0---ERNEST WABINAW

Ernest Wabinaw of west Weidman (Airline Road) died at CMC Tuesday, Sept. 1, after suffering a heart condition.

He was born in the Weidman area Aug. 9, 1900. For many years he had been a crane operator in Detroit, and was retired.

Funeral services will be held Thursday, Sept. 3, at 1 o'clock p.m. from the Stinson Funeral Home in Mt. Pleasant.

He was a veteran of World War I. He is survived by three cousins, Melvin and Chelsie Leaureaux, and James Strong, all of Mt. Pleasant.

He was highly respected and liked by all who knew him. He was a good citizen and good neighbor.

S. W. Sherman Goldie Dutcher, Reporter

Mrs. Opal Hardenburgh and Linda were Sunday dinner guests of Mrs. Leward Smith and fam-

Mrs. Patricia Ransom and sons and her sister-in-law, Laura Jo, of Flint, spent Tuesday with the Harry Hardenburghs. Billy spent the rest of the week, and Harry and Opal took him home Satur-

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Dutcher and Mr. and Mrs. Larry Dutcher and Gena spent the past week camping in the Upper Peninsula. They enjoyed a boat ride to the Pictured Rocks and to Mackinac Island. They stayed at several state parks, one at Grand Marais on Lake Superior, and they stopped at Hartwick Pines, and stayed their last night at Higgins Lake, returning home Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Remington and sons of Saginaw were recent overnight guests of the Ervin Dutchers.

Mr. and Mrs. Garry Dutcher and children were on a Northern Michigan trip from Wednesday, Aug. 19, to Saturday night. They spent Wednesday over night with her sister and family, the Jim Hissongs, at Blue Lake, and visited Mackinac Island on Friday.

Bonnie spent Monday morning with me, canning sweet pickles. Vicki Martin visited her folks while Garry's were on their trip.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dutcher and Rex and Dawn spent Saturday with the Garry Dutchers. They called on the Richard Dutchers. Rex spent Saturday over night with David. They spent Saturday over night and had Sunday dinner with the Clayton Dutchers. Jim Dutcher was also a dinner guest.

Theron Merrihew visited recently with the George Merrihews. The Roland Merrihew family of Taylor spent Sunday afternoon with them. The Dewey Kirvans of Pontiac were Sunday evening visitors. Florence Hoffman and Mrs. Hibberd were Tuesday afternoon call-

Mrs. Ervin Dutcher, Lucile and Edna Merrihew and Marion Beutler attended a party for Mrs. Hibberd Wednesday afternoon at the home of Claribel Beutler in Weidman.

Mr. and Mrs. Chris Comstock of rural Blanchard were Wednesday evening callers of the George Merrihews.

Russell Merrihew and three daughters of Pontiac were Sunday callers. They came up Saturday and spent over night with his folks, the Orrie Merrihews.

Mr. and Mrs. Orrie Merrihew and Orval attended the funeral of K. P. Martin at Mt. Pleasant Friday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Dutcher and Chris and Jon and Gail's sisters, Linda and Terri Owen, and Linda's friend and a niece were Sunday callers of the Clayton Dutchers. Floyd Dutcher was a morn-

The Clayton Dutchers called on the Jim Dutchers, Walter Howes and Percy and George Secord, Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Evalena Hibberd was a recent guest of the Ervin Dutchers. Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Dutcher called on Mrs. Minnie Strauch at CMC Hospital Monday evening. They visited the Jim Dutchers on the way home.

Catherine McDaniel and girls visited in Lansing Thursday. She took her nephew, Kevin Van Nocker, and his sister, Kim, home. Kevin had spent the summer here. They also took Robert Tabor home after a visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Beutler and children visited her folks, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Sanderson, of St. Charles, Saturday. Her mother had just come home from the hospital after having surgery on her foot.

Rev. and Mrs. Lynch were Thursday evening callers of the Howard Beutlers.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Schultheiss of St. Johns spent Sunday with the Carl Beutlers.

Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher, Jr., and Steve and Sandra attended the wedding Saturday in Lansing of Miss Debbie Harshman and Mike Schafer.

The Don Harshmans visited the Ervin Dutchers Sunday afternoon.

Duane and Kim Thren and David Gatehouse have been having the flu.

Coldwater Lake Marjorie Schafer, Reporter

Well, it's beginning to feel like fall weather again. Where did the summer go?

Had a nice visit with Aunt Effie Schafer and Al and Kathleen Clevenger Wednesday evening, when Ed went to look at Ragolt Hauck's house to paint. We also called on Bob and Mary Pung and Mother Schafer. Terry Klumpp and Don, Judy and Josette Schafer called Thursday afternoon.

The Beal City School started Friday afternoon.

Saturday morning Ed and I took a little trip and saw some places in Michigan we had never seen before. We drove around 400 miles, and returned home Sunday noon.

Sunday evening we called on our new neighbors, the Vic Eismans. They have a beautiful trailer home here.

Jerry Schafer attended the wedding of Linda Bader and Craig Kandaris at St. Henry's Church at Rosebush Saturday afternoon. Guess that's it for this week.

BETTER THAN A LETTER

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Local Items

Mr. and Mrs. George Neebes of Davison called at the Clyde Beutler home Friday morning, on their way home from their summer place at Charlevoix.

Connie Skinner was hostess at a shrimp dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Barney Tranbarger Friday evening. The delicious and complete dinners were purchased at the D&R Drive In in Weidman, and served at the Tranbarger home.

Sandy Koprivich of West Virginia spent last Tuesday with her grandmother, Mrs. Vera Hagerman. Mr. and Mrs. Everett Hagerman of Mt. Pleasant and Mr. and Mrs. Pat Swift and son, Sean, of Saginaw, were Sunday dinner guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Embrey attended a reception at the Grange Hall in Broomfield Sunday for their niece, Ann Root, who was married recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Brien of Ithaca were Sunday afternoon callers of his mother, Mrs. Nina Forbes. Violet Wright of Brinton did some papering for Mrs. Forbes last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Kniffen and family of Lansing spent from Thursday till Saturday with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Goodrich.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Johnson of Fremont, O., spent from Saturday till Sunday afternoon with his mother, Mrs. Kit Johnson. They also visited the Fey Johnsons while here.

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Aug. 27t2p

SEPTIC TANKS CLEANED -- Also tanks for sale. Electric tape to clean out tile lines. Back hoe. Griffith Sanitary Service, Blan-chard, ph. 561-4521, or call Don Smith, Weidman, phone 644-2224.

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Sept. 3tf

FOR SALE--Small trailer house. Sleeps four. North Woodruff Rd. to Coleman Rd., 1/2 mile east. Mrs. P. Cole, tel. 644-2088.

Aug 27tf

FOR SALE--Truck axle wheels and tires, \$20, with wagon frame. Edw. Schafer, Coldwater Lake.

Aug. 27tf

THESE LITTLE WANT ADS--Really pay. They're cheap, too, 50¢ for one week. Try it. CHICKEN--Barbecue and annual Festival at KC Hall in Beal City Sunday, Sept. 6. Fun for the whole family. Sept. 3t1

FOR SALE--Iron bed, springs, and mattress, \$10. Table and buffet, \$15. Kitchen cabinet \$10. Other articles. Blanche Carr, Weidman.

Aug. 20tf

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Aug. 6tf

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Aug. 27tf

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CHICKEN BARBECUE--Ninth annual dinner and Festival of Beal City Knights of Columbus next Sunday, Sept. 6, at KC Hall in Beal City. Don't miss this big event.

Sept.3t1

FOR SALE--Two-story income bungalow on outskirts of Weidman village. Close to school. Full basement, attached garage, double floor chicken coop, two stories; with one acre of land. Ph. 644-3486. Sept. 3t2

FOR SALE--Fan Master electric fan; cabinet electric sewing machine; new black steel footlocker; children's large size red wagon; brand new Monopoly game. Ph. 644-3651. Sept. 3t1p

FESTIVAL--And Chicken Barbecue Sunday, Sept. 6, at KC Hall in Beal City. Fun and games and big dinner for the whole family.

Sept.3t1

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Sept. 3t1

FOR SALE--Coleman fuel oil furnace, model No. 700. In good condition. Will sell reasonable. Mrs. Ida Bazaire, Ph. 644-2143. Sept. 3t2

GIRLS' RECREATION BAKE SALE--and White Elephant Sale Sept. 12 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., between Abbott's Furniture Store and the Barber Shop in Weidman.

Sept. 3t1p

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 Sunday, 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 second and third Sundays, 7 p.m. At Coomer Church: Six miles west, two and a half south of Mt. Pleasant.

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

WEIDMAN BAPTIST CHURCH Rev. Marvin Eldridge, Pastor

Phone No. 644-3504. Sunday School, 10 a.m. Preaching, 11 a.m. Choir practice 6.45 p.m. Evening Bible Study, 7.30 p.

Prayer meeting Wednesday, 7.30 p.m. (Fellowship time in church basement.) Sept. 6, Marj MacMillan, missionary to Mexico, will be with us all day. Here is her schedule:

10 a.m., she will talk to all classes.

11 a.m., 15-minute talk. 12.30, pot-luck dinner. 6 p.m., she will speak to voung people.

7.30 p.m., she will show

BRINTON CHAPEL Norman Brines, Pastor Sunday School, 10 a.m. Church, 11 a.m. Thursday, youth meeting, 5.30 p.m. Choir practice, 7 p. m. Prayer meeting, 7.30 p.m. Second Sunday of each month, evening services at 7.30 p.m. ****

BROOMFIELD ZION LUTHERAN Located six miles south of Weidman 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.

GILMORE CHURCH OF CHRIST George Getchel, Minister Located six miles south of Far-

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North Weidman

Mrs. Joe Ptak of Royal Oak was in Weidman last Thursday. She spent the night with her uncle and aunt in Evart, returning home Friday. Joe was in the hospital in May for surgery, and was off work two months.

Mr. and Mrs. John Gott and Debbie Graham and Cathy Alwood called on Mr. and Mrs. Richard Gott one evening last week. Mr. and Mrs. Albert Gott of Winn called on the John Gotts Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Chaffee and granddaughter of Grand Rapids visited Laura Latham Sunday.

David Abbott spent the weekend with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Abbott.

Donald and Brenda Embrey of Farwell spent Friday night with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy S. Adams. Their mother came Saturday for lunch and took them home. Mr. and Mrs. Harold Adams and Jack were Sunday callers at the home of his parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy S. Adams called on Mr. and Mrs. John Downey of Lake Sunday even-

BETTER THAN A LETTER

Around Horr Jessie Rosencrantz, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Eddie McDonald and family were Sunday afternoon callers at the Earl Oplinger home. Mrs. Arlene Weiferich and daughter were Friday guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Alva Cummins spent Wednesday in Stanton with his sister, Mrs. Nora Jones. Another sister, Mrs. Alice Thacker, of Long Beach. Calif., was

also a guest.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Gates of Piqua, O., were Saturday guests at the Cummins home. The gentleman is a cousin of Mrs. Cummins. Mr. and Mrs. Gates took Mrs. Cummins and Mrs. Tracy White to Lake Isabella.

Mrs. Margaret Denslow, Mrs. Cleda Navarre, Mrs. Pearl Loomis and Mrs. Mabel Sides spent Thursday afternoon with Mrs.

Harry Hoffman.

Mrs. Denslow spent Friday and Saturday with the Keith Baker family in Grand Rapids. Mrs. Denslow started her school again

Monday.

Mrs. Eva Denslow enjoyed a vacation last week with Mrs. Nina Green and Terry in Grand Rapids and Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Denslow and family in Lan-

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Losey and I went to Mt. Pleasant Monday to visit our aunt, Liza Losey, on her 102nd birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Thompson and boys and Jack Thompson were Saturday dinner guests of the John Thompsons in Drayton Plains, and they all attended the funeral of Gilbert Wright.

Mr. and Mrs. Chuck Wilson and family were Sunday dinner guests of her father, Jack Thompson, celebrating his birthday. The Jim Thompson family were also dinner guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Mack Denslow took her sister home to Grand

Rapids last Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Kilborn of Arizona were Monday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Miller.

Callers at the Charlie Losey home last week were Dick Dutcher, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Lutz and Mrs. Evalena Hibberd. Floyd Dutcher was a Friday dinner guest. Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher were Sunday evening callers.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Potter and Karen and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Bergquist and Kristen were Sunday dinner guests of their grandmother, Mrs. Flora Wood. Mr. and Mrs. Paul Miller were afternoon callers.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Losey and family were Sunday dinner guests of the Charlie Gross family.

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Chapman were Sunday dinner guests of the Charlie Loseys. Mr. and Mrs. Chapman and Nancy, Patti, Gary and Beth Losey attended the Fair at Mt. Pleasant Wednesday.

Mrs. Herman Martin and Mrs.

Glenn Smiley called on me Sunday afternoon.

A niece and nephew of the Tracy Whites have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. White recently.

Mr. and Mrs. John Graber of Lansing were Friday callers of Mrs. Nettie Lawrence.

Central Gilmore Lola Fordyce, Reporter

Miss Sharon Pitts of Big Rapids was in Gilmore Tuesday, calling on her friends and relatives before she returned to college in Milligan, Tenn., where she is taking a teaching course. She had supper with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Egbert Fordyce. Her brother, Terry, has spent most of the summer helping his grandfather, and he returned home with Sharon Tuesday evening, as his school started this Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Pitts and Mr. . and Mrs. Egbert Fordyce went to Goose Lake, near Cadillac, Sunday, to the home of Hugh Markell, to attend a gathering of WWI men and women. Mrs. Markell is a pretty good fisherman. Everyone had all the fish he could eat, with some left. There were also two gallons of home made ice cream to enjoy. A very enjoyable time was had by all.

Lorraine Lautzenheizer has been visiting her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed McAlvey, the past week. Their grandson, Dennis Lautzenheizer, came Wednesday. He will stay and attend college at Mt. Pleasant.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Badgley took their aunt back to Fenton Sunday, and spent the night with her, returning Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Buchel went to Lansing Friday to see his father.

Sunday afternoon Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Seymour entertained Mr. and Mrs. Paul Brown and Neil, Mrs. Emma Phipps, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Brown of Grand Rapids, and Mr. and Mrs. Gary Seymour, Mr. and Mrs. Don Seymour, and Mr. and Mrs. Elam Seymour, and they all enjoyed ice cream and cake. Later, Mr. and Mrs. Byron Smith of Maryland were callers.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Rhode went to Midland Friday evening Thursday, September 3, 1970 to help their daughter, Ruth, move to a new apartment. ---0---

NEWS NOTES

Cheryl and Larry Cummins and Judy and Garth Lawrence were Sunday afternoon callers of their aunt, Vera Smith, near Remus. Monday, Helen Smith and Ula Cummins and Nettie Lawrence and Pamela called on Vera.

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Beal City Dora Smith, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Keiffer attended the Schneider and Huhn wedding in Pewamo Saturday. They also visited Mr. and Mrs. Mike Schneider while there, and her son, Tom Schafer, and fam-

ily.
Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Gross had the Vogel relatives as guests Sunday, Aug. 9, with 67 present. They came from Muskegon, Illinois, Coleman, Midland, and Weidman. All had a nice time.

Mr. and Mrs. Rudy Dickson and three children of Lansing spent a couple of days with Coletta

Gross and Mike.

Minnie Schafer, Gertie Stewart, Coletta Gross, Annie Gross and Gertie Gross drove to Grand Rapids to visit two of Minnie's cousins fom Cleveland, Ohio, Sr. Rosaline and Sr. Eva Marie, at Good Shepherd Home. They also visited the grave of Sr. Salvatore (Rosina Gross) and also Sr. Genevieve's grave (Anna Schnitzler). Then they visited all the shopping centers they could find, had lunch at the home of Gert's daughter, Margaret Frodl, and got home at 10.30, tired but happy.

Wayne Egbert spent a couple of days with his father, Larry Egbert.

Johnny Fedewa is vacationing in Canada this week.

Fred Yuncker is recovering nicely after his operation.

Mrs. Tony Schafer and Mrs. Joe Hauck of Mt. Pleasant spent Tuesday afternoon with Louise Smith. Mr. and Mrs. Walter Rau also called. Wednesday, Debbie Rau, Joan Barz and Mrs. Ida Tilmann were callers. Mr. and Mrs. Paul Vercoe and children of Saginaw were Sunday visitors.

Mrs. Joe Hauck of Mt. Pleasant spent Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. Tony Schafer and Mrs. Lou-

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Grinzinger and family of Detroit spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Herman Grinzinger.

Mrs. Ruth Klumpp took Mrs. Tony Schafer to see her brotherin-law, Peter Schafer, at the Medical Facility Wednesday.

Mrs. Kate Martin spent Thursday with Mrs. Tillie Schafer.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernie Bradshaw of Detroit called on Mrs. Effie Schafer, Tillie Schafer and the Ed Kavanaugh family recently.

Mrs. Milo Eldred of Blanchard spent Sunday with Mrs. Tony Schafer.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Pung and Mr. and Mrs. Howard Breuer spent the past week vacationing at Houghton Lake.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Smith of Portland called on Jack Schafer and family Saturday.

Joseph Schueller and daughter, Ruth, and Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Schueller spent the weekend at Coldwater Lake.

Terry Powell, Tommy Tilmann, Mike Kavanaugh and Bill Rau left Monday morning for Colorado on a vacation trip, with a camper. They planned to visit some in Chicago on the

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Pung and Mr. and Mrs. Louis Pung of Portland called on Mrs. Joe Pung Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Simmer, Mr. and Mrs. John Smith and Mrs. Albert Simmer spent Thursday evening with Mrs. Joe Pung, and enjoyed cards.

Quite a number from here attended the Fair at Mt. Pleasant last week.

Don't forget the annual chicken barbecue and festival at the KC Hall Sunday.

Ginny Rau and girl friends of Bay City visited Mr. and Mrs. Walter Rau and family Thursday.

Bernard Smith entered CMC Hospital Aug. 28. Louise Riley was admitted Aug. 30.

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Two Rivers

Blanche Carr, Reporter Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hines of Remus were Friday evening visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Oral Bunting. Elton Bunting and children visited his folks Sunday after-

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Flaugher and family of Lake Thirteen were Saturday evening guests of the Ray Flaughers. Their granddaughters, Penny, of Midland, spent a few days last week, and

Denise was a Tuesday guest. Mrs. Lydia Lieder and Mrs. Lovica Krueger visited Mrs. Nettie Crowley Sunday afternoon. They also visited Mrs. Nettie Baker.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Larson and children were Tuesday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Chris Larson. The Louis Larsons of Tuscola were Sunday visitors.

Blanche Carr visited her daughter, Mrs. Ruth Simmer, and Mrs. Minnie Strauch in CMC Hospital, and Mrs. Bessie Teall and Mrs. Delia Green at Pleasant Manor in Mt. Pleasant Tuesday.

Mrs. Flora Wood called on Blanche Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Einar Sandelius took their son, Donald, to Mackinac Island, where he will work at the Grand Hotel between his college terms.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Lieder and Mr. and Mrs. Herman Lieder spent Friday fishing at Canadian Lakes.

Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Plank and sons of rural Wheeler were Sunday supper guests of Blanche Carr.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Myers of Mt. Pleasant were Monday evening visitors of Mrs. Vern Foster. Roderick Nicholson called Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Fiorello and family moved into their new house Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Johnson and

family of Newberry were weekend guests at the Basil Rogers and Fred Swan homes. They left their son, Danny, who will enter CMU as a student. Other visitors were Mr. and Mrs. Mike Colosky of Mt. Pleasant.

Mrs. Herman Martin spent Wednesday with Mrs. Tillie Schafer. Mr. and Mrs. John Schupbach of Mt. Pleasant were Sunday guests of Mrs. Mar-

Mr. and Mrs. Alan Ward of Ovid were Sunday guests of the Oliver Wards.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Krueger and family spent Sunday with the Singleton Moses family of Flushing.

Mrs. Leona Courser and Mrs. Phyllis Morey visited Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Zettle of Gladwin

Tuesday. The Zettles and Mrs. Courser attended the Golden Wedding reception for Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Woodruff, at the Deerfield Town Hall. The Zettles were Sunday supper guests of Leona.

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NEWS NOTES Callers of Helen Smith last week were Evalena Hibberd and Fern Beutler, Nettie Lawrence and granddaughter, Pamela Lawrence, Larry and Cheryl Cummins of Ithaca, Judy and Garth Lawrence of Midland, Florence Hadder of Six Lakes, and son, William, and wife, Ruth, of Charlotte, and Nila Cummins of Mt. Pleasant.

Ula Cummins and Helen Smith were business callers in Evart last Tuesday.

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Walker Creek News

Esther Stanley, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Keith Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. Craig Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Denslow and Mr. and Mrs. Micky Dargitz of rural Remus enjoyed supper at Wyman Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Keith Thompson and Mr. and Mrs. Burdette Reed and family went to Heffel, U. P., Saturday, and spent over night, returning home Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Thompson attended the Golden Wedding anniversary party for her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Woodruff, Sunday.

Mrs. Thompson reported that her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Janice Thompson, will teach sixth and seventh grade English at Lakeview the coming year. She and her husband, Craig, will move to Roger Heights, Big Rapids, this week, where he will continue his studies at Ferris State College.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Oliver of Lansing were Wednesday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Emmons and Eddie John. Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Fifield of Lansing visited Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. James Bowman and Jamie and John and Mr. and Mrs. Homer Teeter of Big Rapids were Sunday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Schrock and Philip.

Mr. and Mrs. Ronald DeVries and Rhonda and Richard visited Mr. and Mrs. Leo Denslow and Denise Thursday. Mr. and Mrs. Willis Finney and Scott and Michael were Sunday guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Sowle of Barryton called Sunday afternoon at the Denslow home.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Peeper of Lansing were weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Keith Loomis and daughters. Their sons, James and Randy, who had spent the week at the Loomis home, returned home with them. Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Keith of Lansing visited Mr. and Mrs. Loomis and daughters Thursday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Monroe and Blane visited Mr. and Mrs. Tracy Bywater Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Wiergo of Mt. Pleasant visited Mr. and Mrs. Gary Portenga and family Thursday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Lou Gray were in Mt. Pleasant Monday, visiting Mr. and Mrs. Duane Gray and family and Mr. and Mrs. Loren Gray and family before returning home.

Mr. and Mrs. Lou Gray and his father, Ernest Gray, and Mr. and Mrs. Ward Loomis attended the Elliot reunion at St. Louis Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Sisco of the White School District also attended the reunion.

Mr. and Mrs. Gray visited Mr. and Mrs. Lee Navarre recently.

They called on Mrs. Vera Moore Sunday evening.

Mrs. Lyle Denslow visited her sister, Mrs. Wyona Risdon, of Blanchard, recently. She reported her improving in health, but very lonesome, as she lives alone with only her dog for company. (Sorry we reported she had a companion to stay with her.)

Mrs. Micky Dargitz and children and Mrs. Robert Corwin and children called on their mother, Mrs. Denslow, where she works at the Reservation Union Building at CMU, Thursday evening. Robert Corwin and sister, Bonnie, of Flint came up for the weekend. Mrs. Corwin and Robert, Jr., and Kyle returned to Lennon with them Sunday.

Ronald Stanley of Weidman is spending a few days with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Stanley. He was a Saturday overnight guest of Timothy Leiter.

Mr. and Mrs. James Leiter of Flint visited Mr. and Mrs. Warren Leiter and family Sunday. Mrs. Leiter reported her brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Loomis, were the proud parents of a bouncing baby girl, but didn't know what they had named her yet.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Dillenbeck visited Mr. and Mrs. Austin Dent Saturday evening. They were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Louisell and Patrick and Jill at their cottage at Crooked Lake Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Zill are on vacation, visiting relatives in Saginaw and the St. Charles area.

Miss Cheryl Leiter was a Sunday guest of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Voss and sons. Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Voss Sunday evening. Stacey Voss reports that he is the proud owner of a new puppy. We wish you good luck, Stacey! (Several of his puppies have been run over on the highway.)

Sorry we missed the item last week that Miss Mary Beutler reported a wonderful and educational vacation at Interlochen Music Camp the previous week.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Beutler and Mary and Mrs. Lena St. John drove to Frankenmuth Sunday, enjoying the smorgasbord at the Bavarian Inn. Mrs. St. John reported the flowers and scenery were truly beautiful.

Floyd Sowle was a weekend guest of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Pratt of Flint, and other members of the Pratt family, at their lovely cottage at Rose Lake.

Mr. and Mrs. Otis Conley and Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Gorby of Lake Thirteen left Friday morning to spend two or three weeks in the wilds of Canada, where they catch the big fish and have huckleberries growing

around their trailer home. The former's daughter and Terri are caring for her parents' home while they are gone.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Showers and Mrs. Kate Darnell of Barryton and Mrs. and Mrs. Ward Loomis of Sherman City visited Mr. and Mrs. Otto Skalitzky Saturday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Skalitzky visited Mr. and Mrs. Micky Dargitz of rural Remus Sunday evening. Mrs. Skalitzky reported the Dargitz home is really beautiful since they remodeled it.

Mr. and Mrs. David Moore and family of Lake Thirteen visited at the Stanley home Sunday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Bud Shepherd and Mrs. Doris Mitchell of Clare and her granddaughters, Carolyn, Lori Jo and Jeanine Pilon, of Midland, were Sunday evening callers.

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Brinton News Frances Beck, Reporter

MARRIED IN WEIDMAN BAPTIST CHURCH

Patricia Jones and Larry Wiggins were united in marriage Aug. 22 in the Weidman Baptist Church in a double-ring ceremony with Rev. Marvin Eldridge officiating. Nancy and Martin Jones, sister and brother of the bride, were their attendants.

The bride is the daughter of Irene Jones and the late Clifford (Jerry) Jones. The bridegroom's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Orval

Wiggins.

The newlyweds were honored with a reception at the Garfield Hall in Lake. They received many lovely gifts.

Mrs. Whaley and daughter, Margaret Sisco, attended the funeral of her sister-in-law at Birch Run Saturday, Aug. 22. Irene Bowen and Wanda Haen-

Irene Bowen and Wanda Haenke called on Mr. and Mrs. Earl Blodgett Friday.

Joyce Geasler was in Mt. Pleasant Saturday.

Anyone having news, would you please call me at 644-3937. Frances Beck and Bud Longtin

called on their cousin, Elsie
Wellingham, at her cabin on
the Muskegon River, Sunday.
Emily Geasler of Grand Rapids spent last Monday with her
parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Geas-

Mr. and Mrs. Harley Teeter and family spent Sunday with their mother, Edna Teeter.

Word comes from Ypsilanti that Arthur Pridgeon, an oldtime Weidman resident, is back at his home at 16 S. Washington, Ypsilanti, after being a patient in Beyer Memorial Hospital there for three weeks. Hope you're feeling much better, Art!

Ula Cummins and Helen Smith had lunch and spent the afternoon with Larry and Cheryl Cummins of Ithaca, Wednesday.



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Local Items

Earnest Gross returned from CMC Hospital last Monday, after spending a week there with a respiratory ailment.

Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Johnston and Grant and Nancy and Mark were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Beutler.

Don Clark and Lela Whearett were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Bartlett of East Lan-

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

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Louisell spent Sunday afternoon and had lunch with Mr. and Mrs. Mike Handy in Harrison.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Papesh of Quincy were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Garold St. John and family.

Visitors of Mrs. Emily Wood during last week were 'Mr. and Mrs. Bill Cooper from Florida, Mrs. Virginia Lee and children and Lillie Mick of Dowagiac, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Kirvan of Grand Rapids and her sister from Indiana, Ray Kirvan of Big Rapids, and Linda Krueger and children.

Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Geitman were Mr. and Mrs. C.A. Sanders and family of Ithaca. They went to Harrison

during the day.

Mr. and Mrs. R.D. Sprague returned Saturday after spending 12 days camping at Brower Park, on the Muskegon River near Stanwood. Mr. and Mrs. Clare Oberlin spent from Friday till Sunday with them a week ago.

Jodi and Pami Sprague went with their grandparents camping at Brower Park, spending several days. Their folks, Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Sprague, also joined them

for a couple of days.

Mr. and Mrs. Nellis of Rodney and Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Bazaire of Chippewa Lake were Sunday visitors of Mrs. Ida Bazaire. Mr. Nellis put in a new gas furnace for Mrs. Bazaire.

Mrs. F.B. Stevens of Sanford and son, Harley, of Flint, were Saturday evening guests of Mrs. Ina Gillett.

MARRIED IN CHURCH CEREMONY IN AUGUST

Joyce Elaine Gray, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Duane Gray of Mt. Pleasant, and Randall Lee Brownell, son of Mr. and Mrs. Daryl Platec of Lake, were married in the First United Methodist Church in Mt. Pleasant Aug. 8.

The evening ceremony was performed by Dr. Neil F. Bintz before an altar decorated with two bouquets of white glads, purple statice and white daisies, and potted palms.

Organist Mrs. Lucille Hazekamp played traditional wedding mus-

The bride was given in marri-

age by her father. She approached the altar wearing a princess gown of white organza featuring a scooped neckline. Delicate Venetian lace with daisies accented the long puffed sleeves. Lace edged the gown, which extended into a chapel-length train. Her bridal veil of six tiers was secured by a face frame of miniature daisies. She carried a cascade bouquet of white roses, white daisies, statice and greens.

Her maid of honor was Teresa Gray, her sister, and another sister, Gloria Gray, and Jackie Davis of Alameda, Calif., were bridesmaids. Their gowns owere in shades of blue taffeta, and they wore flower garlands in their hair complementing their colonial bouquets of daisies, bachelor buttons, statice and blue streamers.

Richard Grof of Chippewa Lake served as best man. The bridegroom's other attendants were Richard Shanahan of Big Rapids and Raymond Louch of Lake.

A reception was held at the Holiday Inn, with Michael and Rosemary Gray as host and hostess. Supper was served to the guests.

The bride's mother wore a beige lace dress with brown accessories. The bridegroom's mother chose a rose knit suit with matching lace jacket, and white accessories.

Honored guests at the wedding were the grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. George Van Syckle, of Barryton; Mr. and Mrs. Lou Gray of Coldwater Township; Mr. and Mrs. Jay Denslow of Sherman Township; Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Cappock, and Mrs. Mary Cappock, of Albion.

The bride is a 1969 graduate of Mt. Pleasant High School, and attended Ferris State College the past year. Her husband graduated from Corunna High School and is presently employed by Doremire Construction Company.

After a honeymoon trip to Sandusky, O., the happy young couple now make their home in Rosebush. ---0---

In the Editor's Mail

Dear Connie:

Sorry we let our subscription lapse. Just didn't pay attention to the expiration date until the paper quit coming.

It's our link with people we knew so many years ago, and since they have stopped Homecoming in Weidman and Barryton both, we never get to see any of the old gang. But we do see some of their names mentioned in the Messenger, which to us is the next best thing.

We were up to Petoskey last week, stayed over night with Leo and Bertha (Bellows) Russell and had a real nice visit with them.

Bertha and I grew up together,

and were friends from the time we started going to the White School until we were both mar-

Enclosed is check for renewal of the Messenger. We sure have missed it the last couple of

weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Loomis (Beluah Sisco) 3000 Ingham Street Lansing ---0---

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Editor's Column

By Connie

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is the ninth annual chicken barbecue and festival put on by the Beal City Knights of Columbus at their spacious hall in Beal

Besides the delicious chicken dinner complete with homebaked pies, there are games and all sorts of amusements for young and old.

We're among the latter, but we plan to be there. You'll want to be there, too.

REBEKAH CARD PARTY HAS EIGHT TABLES IN PLAY

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

Floyd Dutcher won first prize for the men, with Elizabeth Neubecker winning first for the ladies. Will Lawens won low, Clara Fox won the pepper prize, and Beulah Riley the door prize.

The next Rebekah card party will be Sept. 8.

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Mrs. Steve Starks (Nancy Adams) and daughter, Karen, of Grand Rapids spent last week visiting her mother, Mrs. Helen

Adams, and family. HOME PAPER FOR THE WEST HALF OF ISABELLA COUNTY

N. Broomtield

The Lutheran Mission Festival was well attended, and a bountiful dinner served, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Vandemeer and children of Sparta and Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Gerwig were Sunday dinner and luncheon guests of Mrs. Nettie Crowley. Mrs. Marion Jennings of Mt. Pleasant and Mrs. Sharon Wilkins and children of Saginaw were callers of Mrs. Crowley and her brother, Jay Leinaar, recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Jon Schultz and son of Swartz Creek spent Saturday with Grandma Rhode and Harold.

Mrs. Gordon Schlegel spent a few days in Chicago.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Strong called on Mr. and Mrs. Richard

Lueder Sunday.
Mr. and Mrs. Doug Perkins and sons of Lapeer were weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Lueder.

Mr. and Mrs. Bud Hines and daughters of Winchester Dam were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hines. Mrs. E.R.Rhode attended a

welcome party honoring Mrs. Evalena Hibberd of Nevada, at the home of Mrs. Claribel Beutler in Weidman, Wednesday.
Visitors of Mrs. Maycie Cook

at Millbrook included Mrs. Net-

tie Crowley, Jay Leinaar, and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Cook.

Mrs. Carl Krueger of Mt. Pleasant and Mrs. Jack Lieder called on Mrs. Nettie Crowley Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Cook and Sandy spent Sunday with Mrs. Cleo Wiley in Pontiac.

Mr. and Mrs. Red Gilbert and Leanne called on Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hines Sunday.

Mrs. Mary Cook of Remus spent Thursday with her sister, Mrs. E.R.Rhode. Other visitors were Mr. and Mrs. Tom Jones and Mrs. Paul Lueder.

Miss Mary Richardson is now a patient at the Medical Facility in Mt. Pleasant.

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BUSY BEES MEET TO HONOR MRS. HIBBERD

Mrs. Clyde Beutler honored Mrs. Evalena Hibberd of Las Vegas, who is spending the summer with her daughter, Mrs. Earl Forbes, of Detroit, with a meeting of the Busy Bees last Wednesday afternoon.

Guests were members of the Drew Busy Bees, a group which Mrs. Hibberd helped organize shortly after World War I, when the ladies met and rolled bandages for the American Red Cross.

Charter members were the Mrs. Baker, Bartlett, Beutler, Boucher, Doyle, Terry, Merrihew, Latham, Smith, Embrey, and

others. Until a few years ago the organization owned the Drew Hall, which was the scene of social gatherings, school entertainments.

suppers, dances, and other meetings in the old days.

Only three members of the original group are now living: Mrs. Hibberd, Mrs. Orrie Merrihew, and Mrs. Clyde Beutler. Members still meet the second Thursday of each month, with 12 to 14 present.

At one time there was a similar group in North Broomfield, called the Sunshine Club. The ladies frequently visited each others' club, at which times the attendance might run to 50.

The Sherman Township Board has taken ownership of the Drew Hall. The Busy Bees has younger members now, and is a lively club.

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NEWS NOTES

Dr. Dan Munoz and family of East Lansing were Monday afternoon and supper guests of their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Barney Tranbarger. The family are traveling in a living-van with camper on top on a leisurely route to San Diego, Calif., where Dr. Munoz will take up duties as a psychologist on the faculty of the University of California.

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