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## STEVENS HOLSTEIN DAIRY FARM SIRE LISTED GOLD MEDAL BY ASSOCIATION

The Holstein-Fresian Association of America has listed a sire from the Joseph Stevens & Son Holstein Dairy Farm as one of three Gold Medal bulls in a late listing by the association.

A Gold Medal Sire is the highest honor a bull can achieve in the Holstein-Fresian Association of America.

In the pedigreed dairy business there is more than family trees. Worth of a cow or bull is placed on performance of cows, daughters of bulls who may become, as the Stevens' bull did, a Gold Medal Sire.

The Stevens' bull is Ionia Creator Cymbol, and the Stevens herd has daughters of his which are performing so highly in milk production that they really gave the sire his Gold Medal status.

Only four Gold Medal Sires in Michigan are listed by the Holstein-Fresian Association in its current Michigan-Indiana magazine. The Stevens sire is one of the four, which is a great honor and achievement.

The Stevens family, Joe and Hulda and their son, Richard, have spent their lifetimes building the high-ranking Holstein dairy herd and the farm and buildings demanded for a prize herd of milk producers.

The Stevens Holstein Dairy Farm has been testing cows for milk production since 1938, a long and tedious road for the owners of registered herds. But their work and sizeable money investments are beginning to show now, as the farm is known throughout national Holstein-Fresian circles, and the Stevens Farm now sells only herd sires and heifers--all registered, of course, their pedigrees carefully documented.

Time was, when milk-testing was first begun in this county, that the tester would arrive at the farm in time for supper, test cows at milking time, stay over night at the farm, have breakfast with the family, and test the cows again at the morning milking.

The Stevens family went all through details such as that, and many more. Successful dairy farming today takes a lot of money, work, and time. But the Stevens Holstein Dairy Farm is com-

## Golden Anniversary



MR. AND MRS. CLYNTON SLOAN MARRIED 50 YEARS--The children and grandchildren of Mr. and Mrs. Clynton Sloan hosted an Open House Sunday, Jan. 2, from 2 to 6 p. m., at the Brinton Community Hall, honoring their parents' 50th wedding anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. Sloan have lived all their married life on the farm where he was born. They have two daughters, eight grandchildren, and 10 great-grandchildren. Their many friends gathered Sunday to congratulate them on their Golden anniversary.

### EXECUTIVE MEETING OF TAXPAYERS WEDNESDAY EVENING AT TWP. HALL

A meeting of the Executive Board of the Isabella County Taxpayers' Association was held Wednesday evening at the Union Township Hall.

Most of the officers usually attend these executive meetings.

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### BETTER THAN A LETTER

ing out a winner. No animal is sold for beef from their farm. Their cattle are too valuable for that; and their herd's records are gaining more recognition every year.

### WEIDMAN AREA HARD HIT BY FLU VIRUSES

The Weidman area appeared hard hit this week and last, by a type of flu virus, taking old and young alike, and manifesting the same qualities in both age groups: Difficulty in "shaking it off".

Many young families, as well as older people here, have been suffering from "colds" or flu, and all have complained they are "just impossible to shake off or get rid of".

Areas all over the west half of Isabella County are reporting widespread cases of flu or severe colds of flu-type nature.

## Men in Uniform

### RICHARD SMITH GETS AN EARLY DISCHARGE

Sp/4 Richard Smith surprised his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Smith, of Weidman, by coming home from Vietnam Wednesday, Dec. 29. Richard is discharged from the Army, almost six months early.

His wife, Melinda, surprised the family by flying home here from Richardson, Texas, and spending the holidays with her husband and his family.

The Richard Smiths left Monday, Jan. 3, for Richardson, Texas, where they will make their home at 613 Vernet Street for the time being.

Welcome home, Richard, and congratulations on your early honorable discharge!

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Mrs. Dean Chaffee and Miss Cindy Courser took Dean back to his base at Fort Knox, Ky., Sunday.

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Bruce Chapman was home the past 10 days on a holiday leave from the Navy. He is stationed at Norfolk, Virginia.

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### LIBRARY HAS MEMBERSHIP DRIVE IN PROGRESS

Canisters are prominent in Weidman business places for 50-cent donations for membership in Friends of the Gladys McArthur Memorial Library.

Winter hours for the library in Weidman are 2.30 to 5 p. m. on Monday, Tuesday, Friday and Saturday of each week.

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Canisters are also at Weidman business places for donations to the Isabella County Taxpayers' Association, to help raise money for lawyers' fees for the State's Attorney General to investigate the one and a half mills levied by the Board of County Commissioners in 1970.

Contributions to both of these worthy projects are in order.

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Mr. and Mrs. Paul Straus and family of Flushing and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Creed and children of Algonac and Mrs. Ted Smith and Jim were New Year's Day dinner guests of Mrs. Leah Scharrer. Christmas dinner guests at the Ted Smith home were Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Smith, Mrs. Leah Scharrer, and Mr. and Mrs. Roger Smith and family of Flint.

## Two Rivers

Blanche Carr, Reporter

### FORMER RESIDENT DIES IN FLORIDA

Eno Myers, a former resident of this area, died Nov. 29 in Bradenton, Florida.

He was born Nov. 23, 1892. He leaves his wife, Josephine, and two daughters, Madelyn and Beulah, and a son, Eugene, to mourn his passing. His wife and sister accompanied the body to Portland for burial.

His family have the sympathy of this community in their loss.

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Lieut. and Mrs. Tom Bunting of Portsmouth, N.H., and Mr. and Mrs. John Bunting were Wednesday evening supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Oral Bunting.

Mr. and Mrs. Singleton Moses and family of Flushing spent from Wednesday till Saturday at the Harold Krueger home. Mrs. Lovica Krueger was also a guest.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Courser and Cindy and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Krueger spent New Year's Eve with the Phil Cahill family.

Mrs. Ella Cox was a New Year's Day guest of Mrs. Leona Courser.

Kathy and Clay McCreight were Friday overnight guests of their great-grandmother, Mrs. Leona Courser.

Mrs. Edith Urie was admitted to CMC Hospital again Saturday.

Mrs. Isal Johnson was taken to the hospital as a result of an accident in her home.

Chris Larson came home Saturday after an illness which confined him to CMC Hospital for several days. Mr. and Mrs. Louis Larson of Tuscola visited him Sunday.

Mrs. Lovica Krueger spent Thursday evening with Blanche Carr. Mr. and Mrs. Norman Carr and Melissa and Mrs. Elizabeth Billsby of Merrill were Sunday dinner guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Johnson and daughter, Chris, of Rockford, Ill., were house guests the past week of the Louis Fiorillo family.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Montgomery of Morris and Mr. and Mrs. Tom Jones of Evert were recent guests of Mrs. E. R. Rhode and Harold. Mrs. Rhode and Harold visited Mr. and Mrs. Emil Lueder of Coldwater Lake Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Lueder of rural Remus were Sunday evening guests of the Rhodes.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Kormexl and son, Jeff, of Pontiac spent Wednesday with Mrs. Herman Martin and Ray.

We extend sincere sympathy to the family of Mrs. Richard Lueder in their recent bereavement.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Caukins of Secord Lake, Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Dent, Lawrence Lovell and Bob and Sandra Cook were callers during the week at the

Nettie Crowley and Jay Leinaar home.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Flaughter and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Wilmot spent New Year's Eve with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Voss and Stacey.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Flaughter were Wednesday evening guests of the Ronald Flaughers, to celebrate Jeff's birthday. Mrs. Richard Flaughter and children and the Ron Flaughers called Saturday on the Ray Flaughers. Ray and Minnie were dinner guests of the Russ Flaughers Sunday. Minnie called on Mrs. Basil Rogers Saturday.

Connie Foster went to Detroit Monday and spent till Friday with her folks, the Ernest Fosters, and some friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hines were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Flachs of Remus Sunday.

Mrs. Gale Krueger came home from the hospital Saturday, after having surgery on her knee. She was getting along nicely.

Mr. and Mrs. Emerson Borders were New Year's Day guests of Mr. and Mrs. Orves Cook. Mr. and Mrs. Carl Cook were Monday evening visitors.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Swan and boys of Drayton Plains spent the weekend with the Fred Swans.

Miss Donna Kennedy returned Monday to Philadelphia, Pa., where she is working with VISTA, after a week's visit with her folks, the Ernest Kennedys.

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## West Gilmore

Lena Cole, Reporter

The Paul Coles and Velma made a trip to South Bend, Ind., last Wednesday, where they had a belated Christmas at the home of their daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Mossell, and boys. Mr. and Mrs. Ganser and three daughters, Jackie, Mary and Jennifer, and Mr. and Mrs. John Balent and Amy and Mrs. Mary Lou Markin and Sp/4 Charles Mossell arrived home last Tuesday night from Fort Lewis, Wash. All were at the belated Christmas party.

Velma Cole spent a few days in South Bend with the Joe Ganser family.

Paul and Lena Cole returned home Thursday night. They visited their friends, Mr. and Mrs. John Hauck of Galene, and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Bawkey, of Muskegon. The Bawkeys reported that Mrs. Roscoe Bawkey was in the hospital, very ill. The Bawkeys were former residents of this area.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ganser and daughter spent Friday night with Mr. and Mrs. Richard Mahon.

Tony Masichuck has been laid off work and is staying for some time at his farm.

Paul Cole called Sunday on the Kenneth Allens at Littlefield Lake.

Mr. and Mrs. Julius Allbee, Mrs. Helen Wardwell, Mrs. Coranna

Shaner and Lester Shaner, and Wm. Wilkie and the Paul Coles all helped Hilda Sampson and Patty welcome in the New Year Friday evening.

Gaylord Hart has been on the sick list.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Geasler, Mrs. Maggie Boger and Mrs. Etta Skalitzky attended the 50th anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Clynton Sloan Sunday at Brinton.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Worth and family were in Cadillac Sunday.

Miss Cindy Hart returned home to her Grandma Hart's Sunday evening after a trip to Fort My-

ers, Fla., visiting her mother. Mrs. Vivian Wilson.

A well attended New Year's party was held Friday evening at the Albert Geasler home.

Velma Cole returned home Thursday after several days spent with her nephew and niece, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ganser, of Mishawaka, Ind.

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Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Sprague were Sunday callers at the Truman Hinton home near Remus. Mr. and Mrs. George Looman of Cedar Springs and Mr. and Mrs. Keith Holton and children of Sault Ste. Marie were also guests.

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LOFTY pile, free from soil is the carpet cleaned with Blue Lustre. Rent electric shampooer \$1 at Fox Hardware, Weidman.  
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HOME PAPER FOR THE WEST HALF OF ISABELLA COUNTY

### Legal Notice

STATE OF MICHIGAN  
 Probate Court for the County of Isabella.  
 Estate of EARNEST A. GROSS, Deceased.

It is Ordered that on April 5th, 1972, at 9:30 A.M., in the Probate Courtroom, Mt. Pleasant, Michigan, a hearing be held at which all creditors of said deceased are required to prove their claims. Creditors must file sworn claims with the court and serve a copy on Bonnie Sprague, 3060 N. School Rd., Weidman, Michigan, prior to said hearing.

Publication and service shall be made as provided by Statute and Court Rule.

Dated December 30th, 1971.  
 BURKE McCLINTIC  
 Judge of Probate

Stephen W. Fox  
 102 Hersee Bldg.  
 Mt. Pleasant, Michigan  
 Attorney Jan. 6-13-20

## Obituary

MRS. LYDA LUEDER

Mrs. Lyda (Strong) Lueder died Tuesday, Dec. 28, at CMC Hospital in Mt. Pleasant. She was 77.

She was born Dec. 29, 1894, in Broomfield Township, where she was a lifelong resident.

Mrs. Lueder is survived by her husband, Richard; one son, Rudolph, of Mt. Pleasant; four grandchildren and four great-grandchildren; four brothers, Gail Strong of Alma, Roy and Ralph Strong of Remus, and Lloyd Strong of Lansing; and three sisters, Mrs. Walter Sanderson (Ethel) of Blanchard, Mrs. Ellis Ray (Edna) of Nokomis, Florida, and Mrs. Emil Lueder (Edith) of Coldwater Lake.

Funeral services were held Friday, Dec. 31, at 2 p.m. at the Zion Lutheran Church in Mt. Pleasant, with burial in the Broomfield Cemetery.

The family has the sympathy of its many friends.

IMPORTANT K.C. MEETING--Tuesday evening, Jan. 11, at K.C. Hall in Beal City. Boysville chairman will be present. All members urged to attend.  
 Jan. 6t1

K. of C. EUCHRE TOURNAMENT Starts Monday evening, Jan. 10 at K.C. Hall in Beal City. All members are urged to participate in this annual event.  
 Jan. 6t1

## Obituary

JANE LORENZ

Little Jane Lorenz died Sunday at CMC Hospital after a short illness. She was four years old.

She was born in Mt. Pleasant Sept. 4, 1967.

Surviving are her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Lorenz; two brothers, Terry and Dennis, and a sister, Brenda, all at home; paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Lorenz, and maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Zeien.

Funeral services were held at 10 a.m. Tuesday in St. Joseph the Worker Church at Beal City with Father S. A. Bur officiating. Burial was in the church cemetery.

The family and all relatives have the deep sympathy of all.

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## Brinton News

Frances Beck, Reporter  
**CELEBRATE GOLDEN WEDDING**  
 Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Clynton Sloan, who celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary Sunday at the Community Hall in Brinton.

A large crowd of friends and relatives attended to help them celebrate the eventful 50 years together.

Congratulations again, Clynton and Violet!

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Nora Geasler and I were in Evart Monday, where Nora called on her doctor.

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. Russell Wright over the holidays were their son, Veryl, and family, and daughter, Evelyn, and family, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Slupe. Mr. and Mrs. Joe Wright and Kim were Wednesday supper guests. Joe called on his uncle, Tony Bartley.

Everyone was disappointed in our Green Christmas, but Thursday made amends by bringing in a real old-fashioned blizzard, thus making the people with snowmobiles happy.

Just a reminder that the Merry Go Round Club meets this month on Thursday, Jan. 14, at the hall in Brinton, with Jeanne Smith and Loretta Blevins as hostesses.

Helen Strang and Amy came Sunday and got her daughter, Lori, who had spent the week with her grandmother, Eunice La Londe.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Bowen and some friends attended a New Year's party at the VFW Hall in Farwell New Year's Eve.  
 Mrs. Whaley's son, Leonard

Durkin, and family called on her New Year's Day.

Deanna Dunbar and children of Grand Rapids spent some time with her parents, George and Cora Beers, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Conley called on their aunt, Elizabeth Conley, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Geasler called on Mr. and Mrs. Eldon McNeilly near Barryton Wednesday evening. They found Eldon had returned home from the Mt. Pleasant hospital, where he had eye surgery to remove a piece of steel from his eye. They report him gaining.

Callers of Mr. and Mrs. Ken Baker over the weekend were their son, Larry, and family, and Boyd Cheadle and son.

James Bowen of Saginaw, a cousin of Lewis Bowen, died Friday night in a Saginaw hospital. Funeral services were held Tuesday morning in Saginaw, with graveside services and burial in the North Brinton Cemetery.

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**JIM CARRICK AMONG AWARD WINNERS AT STATE HOME & TRAINING**

Jim Carrick was among four area residents to receive cash awards by the Department of Mental Health at the State Home and Training School at Mt. Pleasant.

Jim is an attendant nurse, and he suggested elevating patients' beds by using pipe extensions. Labor and cost of equipment saved up to \$1,815 a year, and Jim was awarded \$182 for his idea.

Other awards winners were Mabel Graham of Rosebush, a nursing service supervisor at the Department of Mental Health in Mt. Pleasant, and Jean Gaudard, an attendant nurse, who split an \$818 award. Carol M. Goffnett of Shepherd was the fourth winner, with a \$212 award.

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## Local Items

Edna Schultz returned Sunday after spending a week with her son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Ike Hampton, at Benton Harbor.

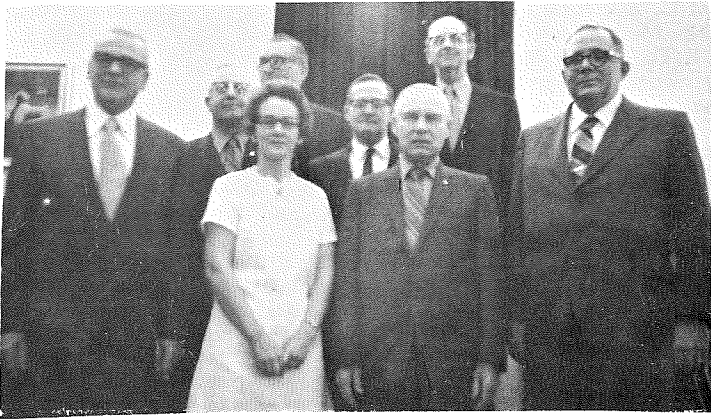
Mr. and Mrs. Fred Beutler and Mr. and Mrs. David McArthur were New Year's Day dinner guests of their folks, Mr. and Mrs. Gene McArthur, and family.

All of the Schafer family enjoyed a get-together Dec. 27 at the home of Mrs. Rose Schafer, in Beal City.

Mr. and Mrs. Harland Snider were Sunday dinner guests of his sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Keiser, of Belding. Sunday of this week they entertained Mrs. Bertha Zuke and family of Big Rapids.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald McArthur of Wixson spent New Year's Day with his father, Leon McArthur.

HOME PAPER FOR THE WEST HALF OF ISABELLA COUNTY



**METHODIST CHURCH DEDICATES BEAUTIFUL DONATIONS--**  
At its Dec. 19 Sunday service, the Weidman United Methodist Church dedicated several gifts of great value to the church, offered in memory of loved ones by church members. Above are the donors, with visiting clergy and dignitaries.

Above, left to right, back row: Rev. Athel J. Lynch, Dist. Supt. Wm. T. Wiltse; middle row: Albert Myers, Fred Rescoe; front row, Kenneth Saunders, Mrs. Gale Krueger, Leon McArthur, Orval Merrihew.

classrooms and rest rooms, new entrances at front and south side, a new heating plant, and a nursery in the basement.

He told how he enjoyed his ministry here during the nearly eight years of his leadership of the church; saying that he, his wife, Doris, and their children will always cherish memories of the many friends they had here.

The District Superintendent, Rev. William Wiltse, gave a short talk, telling of his appreciation of the work that has been accomplished here.

Memorials presented included Kenneth Saunders, presenting the new fireplace in memory of his wife, Virginia; Orval Merrihew, presenting a new sound system in memory of his parents, Orrie and Lucile Merrihew;

Judy Krueger making the presentation for her mother, Mrs. Leila Shook, who was unable to be present. Mrs. Shook's memorial is a bulletin board with planter base and cross above, in front of the church, in memory of Raymond Shook;

Leon McArthur presenting a new piano, a beautiful walnut finish spinet from Grinnell's; a fireplace gas log, and a cabinet, beautifully done, for the sound system, all in memory of his wife, Gladys.

All presentations were in both a physical and spiritual capacity. In the words of one of the donors, it is hoped that the people of the community will be inclined to make use of these facilities by being present at the many services being offered.

BETTER THAN A LETTER

# Real Estate Transfers

(Furnished this Newspaper By Courtesy of Donald R. Sandbrook, Register of Deeds.)

Lake Isabella Corp. to William H. Fanson and wife, Lot 47, Lake Isabella Golf Ests. No. 1, Sherman.

Lake Isabella Corp. to Donald F. Johnson and wife, Lot 131, Lake Isabella Plat No. 2, Sherman.

Vanness C. Cook and wife to Richard A. Thompson I et al, n 1/2 sw ne sec. 24, Gilmore.

C. E. Utterback and wife to Norval K. Morey, pt. ent. se 1/4 sec. 28, pt sw sw sec. 27, Sherman.

Edward N. Zeien and wife to Fred Zeien and wife, nw ne sec. 23, Nottawa.

Iva Keller to Harry Keller and wife, pt. sw nw sec. 22, Deerfield.

Lake Isabella Corp. to Marcus J. Schoenith and wife, Lot 518, Lake Isabella Golf Estates No. 2, Broomfield.

Lake Isabella Corp. to Estel R. Gladding and wife, Lot 78, Lake Isabella Woods No. 1, Sherman.

Lake Isabella Corp. to Dale D. Dyer and wife, Lot 109, Lake Isabella Woods No. 1, Sherman.



THE BEAUTIFUL CUT-STONE FIREPLACE AT THE CHURCH, presented by Kenneth Saunders in memory of his wife. A gas log burns realistically, in appearance of real logs really burning. Messenger photo



A BEAUTIFUL NEW SPINET PIANO FOR THE AUDITORIUM was presented, among other things, by Leon McArthur, in memory of his wife, Gladys. Leon and Gladys spent their lives working in and for the Weidman church, and Leon is still very active in all kinds of church work, spiritual and practical. Messenger photo

Rev. Arlo Vandlen, a former minister of the Weidman church, gave a short talk on memories of his ministry at Weidman, telling of changes that took place while he was here: The remodeling of the parsonage, additions to the church building consisting of

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## Beal City

Dora Smith, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Yuncker entertained 56 members of their family Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Egbert spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Larry Egbert, Sr.

The banns of matrimony were announced at St. Joseph the Worker Church Sunday for Paul L. Donakowski, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Donakowski, and Patricia A. Trussell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Trussell.

Banns were also announced for Randahl Leo Andres, son of Mrs. Elvin Andres, and Charlotte Schafer, daughter of Mrs. La Verne Schafer.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Bierschbach and family returned Thursday from their Florida vacation. All had a good trip, and everything went well. Paul and Mike Kavanaugh returned from their Florida trip also on Thursday.

Mrs. Howard Blasen and family, Jerry and girl friend Debbie, and Mrs. James Henry spent New Year's afternoon with Louise Smith and family. They are from St. Johns and Mecosta.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Smith of Mt. Pleasant called on his mother, Louise Smith, and Dora, Wednesday. Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Schafer and Leona Faber were also callers. Fronia Tilmann and June Blasen were last week visitors. Mr. and Mrs. Bernie Smith spent Monday morning with Mrs. Smith. Tillie Schafer was a New Year's Day caller.

The Harry Hauck family had their Christmas party Sunday, Dec. 26, at the K. C. Hall. The Fussman family had their Christmas party at the hall Christmas Day.

Mrs. Milo Eldred and Mrs. Alice Tatro and children of Warren spent Sunday afternoon with Mrs. Tony Schafer.

Mrs. Ella Tilmann returned home after spending a few days last week here.

Sister Marie Alexander and Sister Herman Joseph of Grand Rapids spent a few days last week with relatives here.

Mrs. Louise Schafer had her family reunion and Christmas

party at the hall Sunday. All had a good time.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Schafer of Mt. Pleasant spent Sunday with Mrs. Tony Schafer.

Rev. Father Ammon left last Tuesday for New York, to visit his sister.

Rev. Father Neubecker of Lake Leelanau spent the holidays with Rev. Father Bur.

Word on the condition of Mrs. Ida Tilmann is that she was in a hospital at Tucson, Ariz, after spending a short time in a rest home. She was expected to be in the hospital for some time.

Six ladies helped Mrs. Clara Fox celebrate New Year's Day, with dinner and an afternoon of cards. They were Mrs. Joe Gruss, Mrs. Evelyn Engler, Mrs. Frank Engler, Mrs. Leo Gross, and Mrs. Gertrude Gross and Mrs. Henry Grinzing. The ladies enjoyed a wonderful dinner and day.

Philomena Tilmann entered CMC Hospital Dec. 28.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis Schafer went to Ann Arbor last Thursday to get their son, Douglas. He comes home for weekends, after taking treatments at the University Hospital. He is improving.

Mrs. Ann Eldred, Mrs. Oscar Schafer, and Mrs. Al Klumpp spent Tuesday evening with Mrs. Tony Schafer, while their husbands attended K. C. meeting.

Mrs. Tony Schafer spent New Year's Day with the Bob Schafer family.

Maxine Klumpp is in CMC Hospital.

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### NEWS NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. Orville Bates of Clare were Sunday guests of the Garold St. John family.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Schafer were among a group of snowmobilers enjoying the snow trails Saturday evening. They spent Sunday with his brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Schafer, at Winn.

WEIDMAN BAPTIST CHURCH  
Choir practice Thursday, 6.30 p. m., at the parsonage.

Youth Rally Saturday 10 a. m. at Gilman Springs Baptist Camp at Gladwin.

This will be our winter "Snowflake Advance."

## In the Editor's Mail

Dear Connie:

My sister, Clara Grewett, sent me the Messenger of Dec. 19 with the article about Ambrose Harris.

To me it was most interesting, as on my 11th birthday Mr. Harris gave me a small cream pitcher from his little variety store.

Along with this one and a pitcher my mother, Bessie Kirvan, had been brought to her as a small child, I have added many more--in fact I have about 380 in my collection now.

There are many shapes and sizes, and they are a most interesting hobby for me.

Just thought you might like to know how some of his memory lives on.

Sincerely yours,  
Mrs. Wendel C. Patterson  
(Mildred E. Kirvan)  
Wyoming, Mich.

A very Happy New Year.

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Dear Editor:

Not knowing whether you are Miss or Mrs., I just didn't know how to address you. Maybe it should have been "Dear Connie," as Floyd Dutcher referred to you as "Connie".

I visited him at his son's home in Seattle. I sure want to thank you for printing my letter in your paper. Floyd and I had a wonderful visit together, talking about some of the old-timers

around Weidman. So sorry to hear that Tip Johnson, and some others of my old kid-friends had passed on.

I got four responses from your putting my letter in your paper: Floyd Dutcher, Vina Bailey, Leo Neubecker, and Carl Grewett in Mt. Pleasant.

The wife and I had planned on coming back there this fall, but our hot-water tank went bad and we had to invest in a new one. That put quite a big hole in the pocketbook. We have hopes of driving back there next June.

Thanks again.

Sincerely,  
Harley and Mamie McClenathan  
Route 3, Box 20, Port Orchard,  
Wash. 98366.

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## Real Estate Transfers

Alberta J. H. Strong to Glen E. Stiff, ne ne sec. 13, Broomfield.

William Nelson Wixson to George Scheer and wife, nw sec. 7, Gilmore.

Jay A. Moon and wife to Elmer O. Downs and wife, pt. ne se sec. 32, Sherman.

Gary Ruckle and wife to Henry C. Mathews and wife, pt. w 1/2 ne sec. 9, Gilmore.

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## Walker Creek News

Esther Stanley, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Keith Thompson were Wednesday overnight guests of Mr. and Mrs. Kennoah Henning at Rochester. They went to Toledo, O., Thursday morning, where they visited their cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Roberts, returning home Thursday night. Mr. and Mrs. Craig Thompson and Jon Barry of Roger Heights, Big Rapids, stayed with Roddy while they were gone, helping with milking and farm chores. They returned home Friday. Mr. and Mrs. Thompson and Roddy were Saturday supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Vetke and family of Detroit, at the latter's trailer at Lake Manitonka, across the road from the Thompson home.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Denslow entertained the following New Year's Eve: Mr. and Mrs. Vance Wood, Mr. and Mrs. Keith Loomis, Mr. and Mrs. Keith Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. Barry Conley and Mr. and Mrs. Willis Finney.

Mr. and Mrs. Denslow and Denise were dinner guests New Year's Day of Mr. and Mrs. Finney and sons.

Mrs. Mabel Cummings of Barryton was also a dinner guest. Mrs. Denslow attended a bridal shower for Miss Vicki Sowle at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Sowle, at Barryton, Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Theisen and family of Mt. Pleasant visited Mr. and Mrs. Keith Loomis and daughters Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Max Gray of Midland visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lou Gray, the previous Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Gary Portenga and family were dinner guests New Year's Day. Mr. and Mrs. Gray attended the 50th wedding anniversary party for Mr. and Mrs. Clynton Sloan at the Brinton Community Hall Sunday afternoon, reporting a large crowd and a lovely event. Congratulations, Clynton and Violet!

Mr. and Mrs. Max Kimball and family of Barryton visited Mr. and Mrs. Warren Leiter and family Sunday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Loomis and family visited Sunday night. Misses Linda and Kathy Loomis were Saturday overnight guests of Valerie. Mr. and Mrs. Gregory Leiter and Melissa and Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Stebelton and Renee of Mt. Pleasant, and Mr. and Mrs. Steven Voss and Steven, Jr., of Lake Windoga visited their parents during the holiday weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Louisell and Heather of Spring Lake returned home Thursday after spending a few days of holiday vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Dillenbeck. Mr. and Mrs. Austin Dent visited

Mr. and Mrs. Dillenbeck Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Otis Conley and grandson, Kurt, were New Year's Day dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Otto Skalitzky. Mr. and Mrs. Ward Loomis visited in the afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Skalitzky attended the anniversary party for Mr. and Mrs. Sloan at the Brinton Hall Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Otis Conley were New Year's Eve guests of Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Rodman at Crooked Lake.

Mr. and Mrs. Dalton Shook and family of Barryton visited Mr. and Mrs. Howard Monroe and Blane the previous Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Shook visited their doctors in Mt. Pleasant Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Dosenberry of Lansing visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Dosenberry, and Keith, over the weekend. Clyde Dosenberry of Coldwater Lake was also a visitor.

We are glad to report Mrs. Lyle Denslow improving in health. She visited her sister, Mrs. Wyona Risdon, of Blanchard, Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Denslow spent New Year's Eve with Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Struble of rural Mt. Pleasant. They were dinner guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Struble and Douglas, Jr., the latter being honored on his second birthday. Mrs. Juanita Struble and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Packer and family of Deerfield Center were also guests to celebrate the occasion of Douglas' birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Veryl Wright of Flat Rock visited Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Schrock and Philip during the week, enjoying snowmobiling with them. Mr. and Mrs. Schrock and Philip were dinner guests New Year's Day of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Schrock. They were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Owens of Lake.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Schrock enjoyed having their grandchildren, Eddie, Debbie and Susan Schrock of Coleman, as guests for the New Year's weekend. While Mr. and Mrs. Schrock were attending the anniversary party for Mr. and Mrs. Sloan at Brinton Sunday, they got word that his mother, Mrs. Nella Schrock, of Riverdale, had fallen in her house, breaking both her arms and nose. They took their grandchildren home to Coleman and visited his mother at the Alma Hospital. She is 87 years old, and will be in the hospital a week or so.

We extend belated sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Schrock and other relatives in the loss of Mrs. Schrock's nephew, Douglas Smith, who died in an auto accident Dec. 23.

Mr. and Mrs. Adelbert Pung of St. Johns spent the fore part of the week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Stanley. Susan and Sandra were visiting their cousins, Mr. and Mrs. David

Moore, and family, of Lake Thirteen. Mr. and Mrs. Pung went there Tuesday noon to get the girls (the roads were a glare of ice), but they were able to return to St. Johns in the afternoon.

Robert Abendroth and our son, Donald, came out and sanded the icy driveway--and then the big snow came. Gilbert Schrock plowed the driveway Thursday. Ronald Stanley came out from Weidman and shoveled snow off the porch. We appreciate this very much, as Mr. Stanley has been fighting the "ole flu bug".

Mrs. Gilbert Schrock and Philip called Thursday afternoon. Donald Pung and daughters, Debbie and Darlene, came over Saturday morning on their snowmobile. Debbie spent the New Year's Day with us, and over night. Her father came for her Sunday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. David Moore and Debbie, Pam and David, Jr., of Lake Thirteen, Ronald Stanley and John Pick of Weidman were dinner guests Sunday.

My sister, Mrs. Doris Mitchell, called us at noon Monday, reporting our brother-in-law, Mr. Bud Shepherd, of Clare, was seriously ill with pneumonia at the Mt. Pleasant Hospital. We are grieved to report that he died early Tuesday morning. He was the husband of my youngest sister. They had a summer place at Stevenson Lake.

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### Around Horr

Jessie Rosencranz, Reporter  
**MRS. LYDIA HANEY PASSES AWAY**

Mrs. Opal Denslow received word that her sister, Mrs. Lydia Haney, of St. Johns, died Sunday morning of a stroke.

Mrs. Denslow expected to attend the funeral Wednesday at Goflin-Runciman Funeral Home at Lansing.

Mrs. Denslow expected to attend the funeral of her great-aunt, Mrs. Flossie Ralston, at the Rush Funeral Home in Mt. Pleasant, at 10 a. m. Tuesday.

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Sunday afternoon callers at the Charlie Losey home were Mr. and Mrs. Harold Losey, Mr. and Mrs. Don Lorenz, Mr. and Mrs. Don Merrihew and Greg and Brenda.

Mr. and Mrs. Mack Denslow had all their children and grandchildren home over Sunday.

Mrs. Carol Benn is in CMC Hospital, entering last Friday. She was being treated for an ulcer.

Mr. Leo Bahr of Copemish was a weekend guest at the Joe Martin home. Mr. and Mrs. Bob Byron and family of Mt. Pleasant were Saturday dinner guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Dent and Michael of Lansing spent last week with his folks, the Gerald Dents. Mr. and Mrs. Chuck Rob-

erts and family of Lansing spent from Thursday till Sunday with her folks.

The Gerald Dents had all of their children and their families home for Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Pyle and son of Flint spent from Thursday night till Sunday with the Dents. Mr. and Mrs. Ralph McCreight and family were Sunday guests.

Mrs. Alma White was my Friday afternoon caller.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Bergquist were Sunday dinner guests of her mother, Mrs. Flora Wood.

Bob and Bill Thompson spent Sunday with Tim Workman.

Jim Wright spent last week with his folks, the Wilbur Wrights. Her mother, Katie Smith, will be spending a few days with her daughter and husband. Other callers during the week were Mr. and Mrs. Bob Kirvan, Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Bains of Port Huron, and Mr. and Mrs. Norman Miller.

Several around this neighborhood have been or are suffering from flu.

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### NEWS NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Morey of Flint spent Christmas with his brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Smith, and Barb. New Year's dinner guests of the Smiths were Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Smith and family and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Smith, and Blaine Block.

Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Cook and Blair of Amelia, O., spent last Wednesday and Thursday with the Bernard Pitts family.

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Goldie Dutcher, Reporter

**ENTERTAINS AT BIRTHDAY PARTY**

Mrs. Edna Merrihew entertained at a birthday party Dec. 26 for George on his 87th birthday. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Small and children of Smith Creek were dinner guests. Callers were Theron Merrihew, Don Merrihew and children, Charles Tiedeman, Russell Merrihew and three daughters, and Orval Merrihew. Evening callers were Rev. and Mrs. Russell Stanley and children of Mt. Morris.

**RETURN FROM TEXAS AND FLORIDA TRIP**

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Gatehouse and Mr. and Mrs. Don Swan came home Sunday from their trip to Texas and Florida. They visited the Frank Esch family of Lake Jackson in Texas and had Christmas dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Walter Howe in Bradenton, Florida. They took in a lot of sights, and visited the Keys and the Cypress Gardens, and had a wonderful trip, Bea said.

A Happy New Year, everyone! Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Dutcher and children spent the past week with the Ervin Dutchers, Sr., and the George Merrihews. Gregg, Randy, Tim, Keith and Scott Yuncker spent New Year's Day and over night with the Garry Dutchers.

The Bill Remingtons of Saginaw spent Sunday with the Ervin Dutchers, Sr. The Carl Beutlers are the proud parents of a baby daughter, Brenda Lyn, born Friday morning, Dec. 31, weighing eight pounds, eight ounces. Carl and the children had Sunday dinner with his mother. Diane spent over night and a couple of nights with her cousin, Laurel.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dutcher and family visited the Garry Dutchers Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Garry Dutcher had all her folks as guests Sunday after Christmas, for their holiday get-together.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Dutcher and sons and Becky Dutcher had Sunday dinner with us. Afternoon callers were the Robert Dutchers of Midland and Jim Dutcher and Walter Howe and son.

Callers of the Clayton Dutchers during the week were Monroe Dutcher and Karen and Kevin of Clarkston, Brian Dutcher, the Garry Dutchers, and Kevin Van Nocker. The Dale Dutchers and Terri Owen and Lisa had Sunday dinner with us a week ago.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Dutcher and girls of Flint spent Tuesday over night with us. They were unable to come up for Christmas, as the girls were having the flu. Barbara and Patti Dutcher were having the flu this past week.

Walter Howe and son and Jim Dutcher had New Year's Day dinner with us.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Chaffee and Nancy had Sunday dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Alan Marshall and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Chaffee visited Mr. and Mrs. Ken Baker Sunday evening.

A lot of the folks around here have been having the flu.

Mr. and Mrs. John Cook and Amiee spent Christmas vacation with her folks, Mr. and Mrs. Dewitt Miller, of Hampton, Va. They visited her grandfather, Rev. Miller, of Roanoke, and his folks, Mr. and Mrs. James Cook, at Dearborn.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Remington and family had Sunday supper with the Ervin Dutchers, Jr.

Mr. and Mrs. Willard Ransom and sons of Flint spent Sunday with her folks, the Harry Hardenburghs.

Carl Beutler and children and Claribel Beutler were New Year's Day dinner guests of the Howard Beutlers.

Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher, Jr., visited Steve at Grand Rapids New Year's Day. Ervin called on the Pat Cains while there. Sandra spent the day with the Brian Dutchers.

Mr. and Mrs. Brian Dutcher, Dick Dutcher, and Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Dutcher and Karen and Kevin spent New Year's Eve with the Ervin Dutchers, Jr. The Monroe Dutchers spent Wednesday over night with them.

Mr. and Mrs. Loyal Nation and daughter, Martha, of Saline called on his grandparents, the Geo. Merrihews, on George's birthday.

Florence Fitzgerald of Lansing spent the weekend with her folks, the Carl Fitzgeralds. They all spent New Year's Day with Grace's uncle and aunt, the Lawrence Stadfelds, of Remus.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Baker and children of White Pine, U.P., and Mr. and Mrs. Alan Marshall and children and Mr. and Mrs. Dean Chaffee and baby spent Christmas Day with the Clarence Chaffees and Nancy. Fern and Larry and children were down for the week. Dean left Sunday for Fort Knox, Ky.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Beutler and family entertained her folks for their Christmas get-together Sunday, Jan. 2. Present were Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Sanderson of St. Charles, Mr. and Mrs. Neal McKellar and family and Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Ratajczak and family, all of Midland; and Mr. and Mrs. Dale Schuring and family of Chapel Hill, N.C.

**NEWS NOTES**

Mr. and Mrs. Milo Handy of Harrison spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Louisell.

Ron Apple of Great Lakes Bible College in Lansing spent the weekend with the Bernard Pitts family.

**North Weidman**  
Elvah Gott, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Wiley Knollenberg had lunch Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Micky Abbott and boys. The Muriel Miller family also were guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Wood called on Mr. and Mrs. Ed Olger last Friday, and cleaned out snow around their mail box.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Gott and family of Stanton visited Mr. and Mrs. John Gott Sunday, and had a late Christmas with the

family. Albert Gott of Winn was a caller. Mr. and Mrs. John Gott spent New Year's Day with Mrs. Wanda Graham and girls.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Aldrich and family of Mt. Pleasant and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Baublitz of Remus called on Mr. and Mrs. Max Aldrich one day last week. Mr. and Mrs. Max Aldrich spent New Year's Eve with Mr. and Mrs. Thayne Sides of Lake of the Hills.

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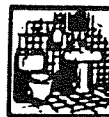
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## A TRIP TO THE HOLY LAND

(Continued)

Editor's Note: In our last issue two weeks ago, we had to cut Flora Wood's delightful account of a trip to the Holy Land made by 10 area people. We here-with take up Flora's story of the entire journey.

By Flora Wood

Our first stop on the sightseeing tour was at the Garden Tomb where Jesus was buried. I went inside the tomb. We had a Communion service here, with nearly 300 people present. We had a group picture taken there.

We went on to the Garden of Gethesame, went into the crypt where Jesus taught his Disciples the Lord's Prayer. Here we all repeated the Lord's Prayer. It is written in 60 languages there.

The group all went on a walking tour in the afternoon. They climbed the hill of Calvary. I was not able go, for swollen feet. They walked from 1.30 to 5 p.m.

Thursday we went to the Upper Room on top of Mt. Zion, where Jesus ate his last supper. We had Communion service there. David was supposed to have been buried there. There was much singing and laughing, and many tears shed while we were there. One could not partake of Communion in the Garden Upper Room and other places and not shed tears.

Friday we were in Jericho, seeing many orange groves, poinsettias tall as trees, and many other beautiful flowers. Had come through the Wilderness Desert.

Saw the Mount of Temptation, drove over the Jericho Road where the wounded man lay by the wayside. Saw the Dead Sea, the lowest spot on earth.

Most everyone took pictures of the sycamore tree where Zacheus climbed to see Jesus as He passed by. Most everyone walked up so many steps to see the ruins of Jericho. Again, I stayed in the bus.

We had a banquet in the evening. Next day had lunch at Nazareth, stopped at Jacob's well, also visited Mary's well, where the water still flows as it did the day Mary met Jesus there and he told her of the living water she might receive.

Nazareth was a very busy city. Went on to Cana, where Jesus turned the water into wine. This was a fertile valley, and the place where they plucked the corn and ate on the Sabbath Day.

We went on to Tiberus, where there were flocks of goats and sheep, shepherds watching them.

On to the Sea of Galilee, where Jesus commanded the wind to stand still. We all boarded three boats, crossed the Sea of Galilee. Half way across the American flag was raised and we all sang "God Bless America." Had a service while the three boats lined

up at anchor in the sea. It was impressive.

We had lunch on the shore. A large fish was served each one, which they called Peter's fish. We were to have been served on the ground, as Jesus served the men the loaves and fishes. Weather did not permit.

We saw the Mount of Beatitudes. At Tiberus we saw the old wall. Everything was closed, as it was the Sabbath Day.

Jordan River was next, the first river after reaching the Holy Land. There was a baptismal service in the Jordan River. Fourteen were baptized.

Sunday morning at 8 o'clock we were on our way to Bathsheba, to visit the synagogue where Jesus preached. Were riding along the Sea of Galilee, a very fertile valley, green beans and cucumbers, fruit and palm trees, banana plantations. Here is where Jesus gave the Beatitudes. We had another Communion service here. At 2.15 we were leaving for Haifa, came to the village of Nein, where Jesus raised the widow's son from death.

Haifa is not mentioned in the Bible, so the guide said.

We visited the Cave of Elijah on top of Mt. Carmel. Such a ride, straight up. Everyone got out to take pictures of the Mediterranean Sea harbor.

We ate supper at the Aviation Hotel, and left for Athens at 7 in the morning.

Monday, Dec. 6, found us on

a plane leaving Tel Aviv for Athens. While on the plane, saw a beautiful rainbow while flying over the Mediterranean.

There were 15 different demonstrations on the tour. Four of us hired a taxi and drove about the city of Athens to see it by night. Tuesday morning at 20 to 8 we were in the bus, ready to tour the city. I sat in the bus while others climbed the million and one steps to see the ruins of the Acropolis. Several explored the ruins of old Corinth, where Paul preach one and a half years.

We crossed the Isthmus Canal both going and coming on this morning's tour. We visited Mars Hill.

Wednesday morning at 7 o'clock we were in the lobby of the Ambassador Hotel in Athens, waiting for our bus to take us to the plane for Amsterdam. We went by way of Zurich.

My seat mates were from Cass City and Oil City. One works at the college in Mt. Pleasant.

We arrived home at 1.30 Thursday morning, a very tired group of people, but so happy to have had the privilege of walking where Jesus walked.

We visited Lazarus' and Rachel's tombs, and many others I failed to get down in my notes. We had a service on the hills where shepherds were watching their flocks at night when they saw and followed the star that took them to Bethlehem. We visited the

Church of the Nativity, saw the manger where the Baby Jesus lay.

Saw a cow hitched up with a donkey plowing. Many people carrying large packages and water on their heads.

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## Local Items

Mrs. Clyde Beutler spent New Year's Day calling on her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Carl Beutler, and new baby, at CMC Hospital. She had supper New Year's Eve with the Howard Beutlers.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Holt and family of Mt. Pleasant were Sunday afternoon and supper guests of his mother, Mrs. Nina Forbes.

Mr. and Mrs. Arlen Frantz of Mt. Morris were Sunday guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Frantz. They had just returned from a Christmas season trip to Kentucky to visit her folks.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Pitts and family had New Year's Day luncheon with the George Getchel family of Gilmore. The Pitts family attended Watch Night party at the Gilmore Church of Christ New Year's Eve.

Mr. and Mrs. R.D. Sprague were Sunday callers of Mr. and Mrs. Jib Hall of Barryton.

Mr. and Mrs. Bennett Skinner of Swartz Creek were last Tuesday luncheon guests of Connie Skinner (they brought most of it). They spent the afternoon visiting.

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