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## Editor's Column

By Connie

### NO COLUMN THIS WEEK: WE HAVE A DEATH IN THE FAMILY

So we're tossing out our column we had written for this week, as we attend the funeral of our brother-in-law, Barney Tranbarger, Wednesday afternoon at Remus.

Barney had been very ill for some time, and had spent a little less than two weeks in CMC Hospital. He had been in failing health since he suffered a fall early last summer at the corner of the greenhouse. (The Smiths, Clayton and Jerry, came running to help him in the house).

Following that it was all down hill for Barney, and he was ill at home nearly two weeks before going to the hospital by ambulance on our first and worst icy roads Jan. 25.

At the hospital his condition did not improve; and he passed away peacefully early Sunday morning, Feb. 6.

Your Messenger will be a day late again this week, as we attend his funeral Wednesday afternoon, as we pointed out at the start.

We hope our readers will bear with us this time which we hope to be our last on late mailing.

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### SENIOR CITIZENS HAVE TWELVE TABLES IN PLAY

The Senior Citizens' party of Feb. 3 at the K. C. Hall in Beal City was well attended, considering the weather. There were 12 tables of pepper in play, and a jolly crowd.

First prize was won by Lillian Zeien, second by Clara Fox, with the first prize for men going to Jerome Young and second to Isadore Schafer.

Monica Grininger won the pepper prize. The door prize went to John Cotter.

A lovely time was had by all. The next party will be Feb. 17. Everyone welcome.

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Mr. and Mrs. George Looman of Cedar Springa were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Sprague. Mr. and Mrs. Sprague called on Mr. and Mrs. Jib Hall of Barryton in the evening.



**BARNEY TRANBARGER DIED SUNDAY--**At CMC Hospital, where he had been a patient since Jan. 25. He had been in failing health for some time. He and Frances owned and operated The Flower Shop' on West Airline Road for the past 19 years.

Up to the past summer, Barney was an active gardener, always raising big amounts of vegetables and strawberries. He helped on the preparation of wedding and funeral flowers in the Flower Shop business.

He was one of the original little group of Weidman business men who founded the Weidman Business Association back in 1948, and tied with Ed Fox in the vote for first president. A coin was tossed, and Ed Fox became president and Barney Tranbarger vice-president.

The old WBA got us our Nottawa and Sherman Township Volunteer Fire Department, among other things, and the Mitchell Memorial Park.

So far as we know, Ed Fox is now the only remaining business man in Weidman who was part of that original small group who worked so hard to establish the WBA and get the first benefits for the town of Weidman.

Byron Hirschel Tranbarger was born Jan. 9, 1890, in Cicero, Ind., and spent his life as an accountant, mainly in Kokomo,

Ind., before coming to Weidman.

Nov. 25, 1937, he married Frances Roe in the Roe home in Weidman and the couple made their home in Kokomo.

He was a life member of the Masonic Lodge, and a member of the Elks Club of Kokomo; also a member of the Methodist Church in Tipton, Ind.

When failing eyesight made his work as accountant impossible, they came to Weidman. They established The Flower Shop in September of 1953.

Survivors, besides his wife, include a son and daughter by a previous marriage, John of Los Gatos, Calif., and Mary Wilson of Portland, Ore.; four grandchildren, Tammy and Timmy Tranbarger of Los Gatos, Calif., William Wilson, Jr., of Grand Rapids, and Kathy Munoz of Encinitas, Calif.; and three great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon at 1 o'clock from the Crittenden Funeral Home in Remus, with Rev. Marvin Eldridge officiating.

### TAXPAYERS TO MEET WEDNESDAY, FEB. 23

The Isabella County Taxpayers Association will meet Wednesday evening, Feb. 23, at 8 o'clock in the cafeteria of the West Intermediate School (Junior High) on North Bradley Street in Mt. Pleasant.

Note the time and day--there have been changes.

The meeting is open to any of the public interested in better government.

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### SOUP SUPPER BY METHODIST MEN FEB. 19

The Methodist Men of Weidman will serve another of their delicious soup suppers Saturday evening, Feb. 19, in the dining room of the Weidman United Methodist Church.

We have attended these suppers and we can vouch for their being downright gourmet.

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## Local Items

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Knipfer and daughter of Lansing spent the weekend with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Goodrich.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Allen and family of Grand Ledge were Sunday guests of his aunt, Mrs. Wanda Graham, and girls.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Vanness and son, Dick, of Lindsay, O., spent from Friday till Sunday with Mrs. Vanness' mother, Mrs. Kit Johnson.

Mr. and Mrs. Gary Agle of Farwell were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Pitts and family. Gary and his wife flew their plane over and landed on skis on Lake of the Hills. Gary took Bernard for a ride back to Farwell and home, an enjoyable experience.

Carl and Paul Snider will be playing at Farwell at the hotel there Friday and Saturday nights.

Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Spice of Carson City were Sunday dinner and supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Sprague and girls. Mr. and Mrs. James Sutton and family of Ashley were Saturday dinner guests. Kevin Roberts is spending the week with Mrs. Sprague while his mother, Mrs. Laura Roberts, is in CMC Hospital.

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# Walker Creek News

Esther Stanley, Reporter

Our deepest sympathy to Mrs. Thomas Pasch and children, and the parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Pasch, and other relatives, in the loss of their loved one.

Our sympathy also goes out to the family of Barney Tranbarger, who died Sunday morning at CMC Hospital.

Mrs. Arthur Schrock reported that their granddaughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Michael Wyson, of Harrison, had lost their infant son, Timothy Ray, who was born prematurely Monday, and they attended his funeral at the Coker Funeral Home in Harrison Tuesday. We extend our sympathy.

Mr. and Mrs. Dean Smith of Riverdale were Sunday supper guests at the home of his sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Schrock. Mr. and Mrs. Schrock were supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Schrock and Philip one evening during the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Voss and Stacey visited Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Wilmot Saturday evening.

Mrs. Ruby Douglas was a Friday afternoon caller of Mr. and Mrs. Otto Skalitzky.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Dillenbeck visited Mr. and Mrs. Howard Haskins at Barryton Tuesday evening. They visited Mr. and Mrs. Austin Dent Wednesday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Dent were Sunday evening guests at the Dillenbeck home.

Mrs. Donald Zill attended a bridal shower for her niece, Miss Candy Bazaire, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Bazaire, at the home of her sister, Mrs. Edward Gilman, of northwest Brinton, Sunday afternoon.

Donald Zill and sons were snowmobiling Sunday afternoon, and called at the Stanley home.

Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Owens and Mr. and Mrs. Jacques Coon visited Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Schrock and Philip during the week and weekend, all enjoying snowmobiling.

Mr. and Mrs. Fay Forbes of northwest Coldwater visited Mr. and Mrs. Keith Thompson and Roddy Sunday afternoon.

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

Mr. and Mrs. Gary Portenga and family except Lee Ann spent the weekend in Conklin, visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Ley, and other relatives. Lee Ann stayed with her great-grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Lou Gray.

Wayne and Edward Shook of Barryton visited Mr. and Mrs. Howard Monroe and Blane Saturday.

and Mrs. Harry Dosenberry

visited Mr. and Mrs. Ray Patterson of Marion Saturday evening. She took a birthday cake for her sister, Mrs. Patterson, who had a birthday Friday, and they spent an enjoyable evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Loomis and family of south Weidman visited Mr. and Mrs. Keith Loomis and daughters Saturday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Loomis and family were Sunday supper guests. We were glad to hear that little Marsha Loomis came home from the hospital last Wednesday, improved in health. She had a checkup at the doctor's office Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Kirvan called on Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Emmons and Eddie John Saturday. Mrs. Lewis Bobroski of Lansing was a Saturday overnight guest.

Scott and Michael Finney of the Coldwater oil field were Saturday overnight and Sunday guests of their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Denslow, while their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Willis Finney, went to Lakeview Hospital to visit his father, Harold Finney of Barryton, who had a heart attack Saturday. His condition was not too serious, Mrs. Denslow reported.

Mr. and Mrs. Denslow and Scott and Michael visited her mother, Mrs. Mabel Cummings, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Sowle and Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Cornell Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Denslow were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Packer and family of Deerfield Center. The occasion was honoring Darla Packer on her 12th birthday. Other guests were Mrs. Juanita Struble and Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Struble and Douglas, Jr.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Pung of Beal City and Mr. and Mrs. Donald Stanley of Weidman visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Stanley, Wednesday evening. Ronald and Michael Stanley visited Thursday night. Mr. and Mrs. Stanley spent Friday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Edward Marshall. Gilbert Schrock plowed out the driveway for us Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. David Moore and family of Lake Thirteen and Ronald Stanley were supper guests Saturday.

Donald Pung and the little "Dees" came over Sunday, the granddaughters helping prepare dinner. Mr. and Mrs. Donald Stanley and family were visitors in the afternoon.

Donna Pung will be nine years old Saturday, so all enjoyed birthday cake, and the children sang "Happy Birthday," to her. We wish you Happy Birthday, too, Donna!

Joseph Pung and Mark Elias of Beal City were also here Sunday, guests of Dennis Pung at his grandparents'. We were extended Happy Anniversary greetings

also. Forty-eight years, come Sunday!!

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Mr. and Mrs. Austin Dent spent last Tuesday afternoon with Mrs.

Ethel Bywater. They are old neighbors of Mrs. Bywater's youth.

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We would like to express our sincere thanks to everyone for the kindness and understanding shown us during the illness and loss of my husband and our father. Your sympathy and consideration was deeply appreciated.

Also a sincere thank you to Rev. Father S.A. Bur and Rev. Father Amman for the Rosary services; the organist and choir; the pallbearers, the Beal City Knights of Columbus for the use of the hall, the ladies who served the dinner, and friends and neighbors who donated the food.

All the people who gave Masses and donations for the family; those who sent flowers and sympathy cards; Central Michigan Community Hospital and nurses; Dr. Wickert and Dr. Nagler, and the Crittenden Funeral Home.

Words cannot express how much our relatives and friends have done for us in our time of sorrow.

Our sincere thanks again to each of you for being such a great source of consolation at this time.

May God bless you all.

Sincerely,  
Mrs. Edward Gross  
Jimmy, Betty, Karen, Rusty,  
Eddie, Richie, and Patty.

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# Beal City Honor Roll

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Margie Block, Ken Steffke, Mary Coughlin, Nancy Engler, Mary Ann Fox, Ann Gross, Dottie Klumpp, Dennis Pohl, Ken Pung.

Fred Schafer, Karen Simmer, Debra Yuncker, Linda Schafer, Ruth Zuker, Harry Hauck, Stan Pasch, Sharon Pung, Vern Smith, Al Straus.

### 11th Grade

Rita Schmidt, Ann Engler, Sue Gross, Joanie Gruss, Roberta Pung, Charlotte Schafer, Mark Andrew Schafer, Ruth Schmidt, Kay Smith, Pam Stevens.

Jack Woodbury, Denise Yuncker, John Zeien, Vickie Boge, Mary Clevenger, Janet McDonald, Rhonda Recker, Bill Steffke, Gail Tilmann, Ruth Zehner.

### 10th Grade

Irene Fox, Ken Gross, Kathy Pung, Lois Schafer, Jan Smith, Carla Straus, Rhoda Straus, Barb Hauck, Sandra McDonald, Sue Rau, Lynn Starr.

### 9th Grade

Theresa Britten, Marian Clark, Marianne Faber, Jeanne Gross, Leo Pasch, Chuck Schafer, Stan Schafer, Steve Schafer, Marlene Gruss, Bruce Jackson, Terri Jones, Kim Stevens, Dawn Luce, Linda Simmer, Cathy Tilmann, Phil Tilmann.

### 8th Grade

Bill Funnell, Kathy Onstott, Mark Rau, Margie Reihl, Kathy Schumacher, Jean VandenBosche, Robert Brickner, Ed Clevenger, Frank Engler, Daniel Faber.

Gary Gross, Peggy Hauck, Joe McDonald, Bruce Smith, Wayne Smith, Kathy Steffke, Marilyn Thorn, Tracie Wilson.

### 7th Grade

Sharon Block, Roseanne Clark, Debbie Coston, Tina Ball, Gail Luce, Karla Miller, Sandra Reihl, Clifton Deming, Mark Garner, Robert Gross.

Kit Henrickson, David Pung, Karen Straus, Greg Klumpp, Brenda Pohl, Pamela Simmer, Lisa Smith, Dianne Krueger, Edward McDonald, Julie Schmidt, Patty Zeien.



**BIG NORTHERN PIKE OUT OF LAKE WINDOGA**--Othel Denslow speared this big one last Thursday, at the north end of the lake "where I've fished when it was Walker Creek and I was a boy," as he put it. The big fish measured 39 1/2 inches and weighed 16 pounds. Othel used a 12-inch sucker decoy to get the big pike. He has a shanty on the lake. He has caught two seven and a half pound pike and four five-pounders there this winter. Othel and Alice Denslow have a home on Lake Windoga, and spend most of their time there. They also have an antique shop in Rosebush which they tend three days a week. Their great love is the lake and its wildlife, the birds and animals that wander around the lake's edges. Messenger photo

**Around Horr**

**PINK AND BLUE SHOWER**

Mrs. Kate Wood and Mrs. Dorothea Bergquist were co-hostesses at a pink and blue shower honoring Mrs. Kathy Taylor Sunday, at the home of Mrs. Wood.

A pot-luck dinner was served at noon.

There were 27 of the Wood family in attendance. Mrs. Taylor received lovely gifts.

Others in attendance were Mr. and Mrs. Paul Miller and Jean Martin.

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Mr. and Mrs. Howard Jackson and Mr. and Mrs. Dale Klumpp and Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Losey were snowmobiling Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Miller called on his mother Saturday afternoon at Big Rapids. Friday evening guests at the Miller home were Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Wright, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Monroe and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Kirvan. The Kirvans stayed over night. They couldn't get home as the storm was too bad. Doyle Bowen and son were Sunday callers.

Mrs. Linda Krueger and children spent Sunday with her folks, the Gerald Dents. Mr. and Mrs. Harry Dent and son spent from Wednesday till Sunday at home.

Mr. and Mrs. John Pyle and son of Flint were weekend guests.

Gerry and Mabel called on Elwood Miller, the Bob Kirvans and Francis Blodgett Sunday. Mrs. Emily Wood was a Saturday evening guest of the Dents.

Mr. and Mrs. Myrl Scott were Sunday callers of Mrs. Nettie Lawrence.

Clayton Dutcher was a caller at the Charlie Losey home one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Wood were Monday afternoon guests of Mrs. Flora Wood.

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**Local Items**

Mrs. Wm. Wilkie received word that her sister, Miss Colleen Shaner, was in CMC Hospital at Mt. Pleasant.

Danny and Elaine Bird were Saturday and Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Pitts and family. Mr. Bird will fill in as pastor of the Gilmore Church of Christ while Mr. and Mrs. George Getchel, pastor, are on vacation in Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Horstman and children enjoyed roller skating at the Din 'n Racket at Mt. Pleasant Sunday evening, with the MYF.

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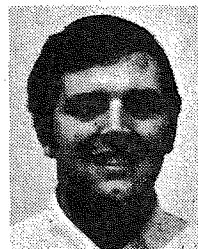
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### Beal City

Dora Smith, Reporter

The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Cyrus Hart died Jan. 29 and the funeral was Jan. 31. Among those present for the funeral were Bert and Vivian Wilson of Fort Myers, Fla., Mrs. Fay Strong and family of Vermontville and Cindy Hart of Weidman. The baby's name was Charlotte. The visitors and family were supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Bierschbach Monday.

Mrs. Tony Schafer spent Sunday with the Bob Schafer family. Mr. and Mrs. Norman Tilmann went to Saginaw Sunday to visit Miss Philomena Tilmann.

The Tom Pasch family have the sympathy of all in this vicinity in their bereavement.

Rev. Father Ammon left for Florida Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Schafer and Mrs. Vera Neubecker and son drove to Lake Leelanaw Thursday to visit Rev. Father Neubecker.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Moss of Mt. Pleasant are staying at the Jerry Schafer home while they are on their trip.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Gross, Mrs. Joe Pung and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Schafer drove to Portland Wednesday.

Mrs. Ruth Klumpp and son, Terry, drove to Grand Rapids last Wednesday, when Terry went into Butterworth Hospital for a checkup.

Mr. and Mrs. Milo Eldred of Blanchard and Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Schafer of Winn spent Saturday evening with Mrs. Tony Schafer.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Schafer, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Schafer and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Schafer flew to Hawaii Monday for a two weeks' vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Smith and Neoma Martin of Fowler were here Monday morning for the funeral of Edward Gross. They stopped at Louise Smith's home. Joe Keiffer and John Smith called Monday. Tillie Schafer called Wednesday. Fred Gould and Delores and Brian Rau were Thursday visitors. Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Simmer and Elaine of Reed City spent Sunday afternoon with Mrs. Smith and Ann.

Roads are clearing up after the icy conditions.

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Some buy it. A gratifying number subscribe to it. Some borrow it. Some loan it out to relatives, neighbors, friends. We don't mind a bit, because

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### Coldwater Lake

Marge Schafer, Reporter

Hi:

Well, another cold day! Guess the old ground hog saw his shadow this past week, so we will have six more weeks of winter. At least roads aren't so slippery.

Don and Judy Schafer and Terry Klumpp spent Thursday evening playing cards with Grandma Schafer in Beal City.

Jerry and Jane Schafer and son, Billy, spent Thursday evening and Saturday with us. Jerry and his dad, Ed Schafer, bought the old Broomfield church and are tearing it down. Bill Schafer is helping them.

Bill Schafer has a job for a few weeks working at the College.

The Emil Lueders left Saturday for Florida on a short vacation.

Our deepest sympathy to the family of Tom Pasch.

Kate and Ray Martin have been sick with the flu.

John and Marge Sheppard and baby and Paul and Rosie Simmer and children called at the Pete Lorenz home Saturday evening. Sunday visitors were Max and Vera Straus and children, Mary Lou Theisen and girls, Leona Perrin, Bill Lorenz, and Leo Bowen.

Lois Ritter has been in Lansing three weeks, staying with her mother, as her father suffered a heart attack.

Pete and Loretta Lorenz celebrated their 49th wedding anniversary Jan. 30. Congratulations, Pete and Loretta!

We celebrated our 35th anniversary Jan. 25.

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### West Gilmore

Lena Cole, Reporter

Tony Masachuk visited the Paul Coles last Monday. Tuesday visitors were Mr. and Mrs. Dan Kripa and Barbara and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Mahon and Missy, and Mr. and Mrs. William Swan. Dean Yates was a Tuesday caller.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Worth and Pam and Lyn and Mike visited Mr. Worth's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Worth, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Geasler and boys visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Cornell, in Gladwin, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Payton Geasler visited his sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Martin Boger, Sunday. They also visited his brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Geasler.

Raymond Geasler returned to his home in Grand Rapids after several days spent at his cabin. John Geasler and daughter, Jo Lynn, and a friend spent the weekend at their cabin.

Callers of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Geasler last week were Mr. and Mrs. David Cliff of Eight Point

Lake, Art Sherman, Martin Boger, Raymond Geasler and John Geasler.

Mrs. Vivian Hart Wilson returned to her home in Florida. She was called here due to the death of her little granddaughter, Charlotte Elaine Hart.

Breakfast guests of Mrs. Charlotte Hart Sunday were Mr. and

Mrs. Wayne Curtis, Mrs. Elaine Chapman and Amy, and Miss Roxann Hart.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Reynolds of Pontiac are visiting her brother, William Lowery.

Roxann Hart spent Sunday night with her grandmother, Mrs. Charlotte Hart.

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MR. AND MRS. WILBUR FLETCHER, JR.

Connie Ann Bowen and Wilbur Fletcher, Jr., were united in marriage in a candle-light ceremony at the Church of God in Barryton Dec. 11.

Connie is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Bowen of Brinton, and Wilbur is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Fletcher, Sr., of Farwell.

The bride approached the altar on the arm of her father. She wore a floor-length Empire waisted gown of white organza over taffeta. The gown had a mandarin collar, puff sleeves and a fingertip veil secured by a flowered headpiece with matching trim to the wedding gown's trim.

She carried a bouquet of orange roses, white carnations, pompoms and holly.

The bride's mother chose an orange lace dress with brown accessories for her daughter's wedding. The groom's mother wore a blue knit dress with silver accessories. Both mothers wore corsages of orange roses and pompoms.

Mrs. Wanda Haenke of Blanchard, sister of the bride, was matron of honor. Bridesmaids were Miss Deb Fletcher, sister of the groom; Miss Virginia Hoffman of Barryton, friend of the bride. Flower girl was Angie Inman of Lansing.

The bridesmaids and flower girl wore matching dresses of orange organza over taffeta. They were fashioned with Empire waists and puff sleeves, similar to the bride's gown. They carried baskets of assorted colors of carnations, pompoms and holly.

Eric Pitchford of Farwell serv-

ed as best man. Groomsman were Richard Rawson and Aaron Moline, all three friends of the groom.

Ring bearer was Dick Haenke, nephew of the bride.

Ushers who seated the guests were Harold Fullerton and Dan Lockwood.

Soloist was Miss Carol Darnell, who was accompanied by Mrs. Bruce Navarre, at the piano.

A reception was held at the Brinton Community Hall following the wedding. Serving the guests were Mrs. Frances Beck, Miss Ardith Hoover, and Miss Anita Smith.

The guests all enjoyed the beautiful cake, which was made by Mrs. Marion Magnus.

The bride is a 1968 graduate of Chippewa Hills High School and Mt. Pleasant Beauty School. She is now employed at Bobbie Jane's House of Beauty of Clare. Her husband is a 1968 graduate of the Farwell High School and is employed at Thayer's Dairy in Clare.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Fletcher, Jr., are making their home in their trailer in Clare.

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## North Weidman

Elvah Gott, Reporter

Our sympathy to the Tranbarger family.

Mr. and Mrs. Art Yuncker and children were Thursday dinner guests at the Max Aldrich home. Friday, Linda Aldrich and friend Ken Brown, of Mt. Pleasant, had birthday dinner with her brother, Steve Aldrich, and parents, Max and Kay, and sister, Kelly.

Mr. and Mrs. Harley Latham of Mt. Pleasant and Mr. and Mrs. Carl Latham of Blanchard called on Mrs. Laura Latham Sunday.

Visitors at the Ed Olger home last week were Mr. and Mrs. Carl Williams and Mr. and Mrs. Dave Williams, who called on Thursday. Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Allbee called Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Thayne Sides called at the Max Aldrich home Sunday morning.

Max Aldrich and family and J. C. Aldrich of Mt. Pleasant had dinner Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Thayne Sides and children.

Cathy Alwood had dinner with Mr. and Mrs. John Gott one day last week. Mr. and Mrs. Albert Gott took his parents to Clare Saturday. Debbie Graham and Cathy Alwood also went.

Mrs. Hermione Smith spent Sunday at the Don Smith home and enjoyed chicken dinner with them. Mrs. Helen Alwood called on her mother Monday. Helen and daughter and Mrs.

Elvah Gott were in Mt. Pleasant on business Monday, and Cathy had a dental appointment.

Rusty and Jim Alwood spent Friday fishing, and in the evening enjoyed supper at the Chum Methner home near Blanchard.

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## Brinton News

Frances Beck, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Durkee of near Beaverton called on his mother, Mrs. Whaley, in Brinton, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Darrel Haenke and boys spent Sunday with her parents, Lewis and Irene Bowen. The event was a birthday dinner for their little son, Eric, who was a year old. Irene spent last Thursday evening with her mother, Mrs. Blodgett.

Nora Geasler called on her aunt, Caroline Alston, at Clare, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Beutler spent the weekend in Detroit with relatives.

Buck Sowle spent Saturday night with his nephew, Wayne La Londe, and family.

Don and Grace Seymour called on me Tuesday evening.

Elizabeth Conley's sisters, Josephine and Minnie, called on her last Thursday.

Fern Verette and daughter, Echo, were Mt. Pleasant shoppers one day last week.

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FOUR NEW MEMBERS were installed in the Beal City chapter of the National Honor Society. The formal installation was held at the P.T.A. open house held recently. The new members are (left to right) Paul Gross, son of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Gross, Rt. 1 Weidman; Roberta Pung, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Pung, Rt. 1 Weidman; Rita Schmidt, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Schmidt, Rt. 1 Mount Pleasant and Vern Smith, son of Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Smith, Rt. 1 Weidman.

**Local Items**

Bud Richardson spent the weekend with his parents in Muskegon. John Tranbarger of Los Gatos, Calif., and William Wilson, Jr., (Whitt) of Grand Rapids arrived Monday at the home of

Mrs. Barney Tranbarger. John stayed on to attend his father's funeral Wednesday. Whitt and his wife drove up Wednesday from Grand Rapids for the services.

Mr. and Mrs. John Pyle and son, Kevin, of Flint, and Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Dent were visitors of Mrs. Emily Wood last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Gary St. John and children spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Orville Bates of Clare.

*the Churches*

**WEIDMAN BAPTIST CHURCH**  
1 mile west of Weidman. Pastor, Marvin Eldridge, phone 644-3504.

Sunday School, 10 a.m.  
Morning Service, 11 a.m.  
Evening Service, 7.30 p.m.  
Choir practice Thursday, 6.30, at the parsonage.

Youth Rally Saturday, 7 p.m. at First Baptist Church of Clare. A group from Cedarville College in Ohio will present the program.

Our Association meeting in Mt. Pleasant was very profitable. The weather held down the attendance, but the services were worth facing the harsh weather.  
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**CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE**  
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Rev. John A. Wright, Minister  
Phone 644-3604  
Sunday School, 10 a.m.  
Morning Worship, 11 a.m.

N. Y. P. S., 7 p. m.  
Evening Service, 7.30 p. m.  
Prayer Service Wednesday, 7.30 p. m.

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**ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
Broomfield: Located six miles south of Weidman on Coldwater Road.

Rev. Edwin Schmelzer, Pastor  
Sunday School, 9.15 a. m.  
Worship Service, 10.45 a. m.  
Ladies' Aid meets on second Wednesday of each month.

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**GILMORE CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
George Getchel, Pastor  
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## Two Rivers

Blanche Carr, Reporter

Dean Chaffee spent the weekend with his family, and returned to his base Sunday at Fort Knox, Ky.

Mrs. Dorothy Breuer of Winn was a Sunday dinner guest of her sister, Mrs. Leona Courser.

Mr. and Mrs. Elton Bunting and children, Theresa, Matthew, Beth and Danny, of Belding, spent Sunday with the Oral Buntings.

Mr. and Mrs. Lachlan MacGregor, Jr., of Milford were Saturday overnight guests of the Charles Garretts. They all went Sunday to a birthday party in honor of Lachlan MacGregor, Sr., of Mt. Pleasant.

Mr. and Mrs. Terry Martin were Saturday visitors of the Charles Garretts.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Carr and

Melissa called on Blanche Carr and at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Steve Simmer, Saturday evening.

Mrs. Ray Flaucher called on Mrs. Herbert Hochrein Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Bud Blodgett were Sunday evening visitors of the Flauchers.

Debbie and Diane Flaucher had a skating party Friday evening, in honor of Debbie's birthday. Nine of their schoolmates attended, and spent the night, after skating and refreshments.

Paul Lueder, Roderick Nicholson and Sandra Cook called on Mrs. Nettie Crowley and Jay Leinaar.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Hogg and children were Sunday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hines.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Onstott spent Sunday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Chris Larson.

Mrs. E. R. Rhode called on

Mrs. Dorothy Rhode one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Cook are the proud parents of a baby boy, Christopher John, who weighed 10 pounds, two ounces when he was born Saturday, Feb. 5, at CMC Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Cook visited her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Gale Strong, of Elwell. They found Mr. Strong was in the Alma Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Orves Cook attended the wedding of Miss Vicki Cook and Arthur Hamilton at the First Methodist Church in Mt. Pleasant, and the reception at the VFW Hall in Shepherd, Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Orves Cook were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Emerson Borders of Marion.

Mr. and Mrs. Rudy Nagy of Mt. Pleasant were Friday evening guests at the Orves Cook home.

Sunday guests of Mrs. Kate Martin and Ray were Mrs. Ed Martin and children, Mrs. Edith Passariello of Saginaw, and Mr.

and Mrs. Philip Meade and Chris and Karen.

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## Local Items

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Pitts and family plan to leave Feb. 18 for two weeks in Florida. They will attend a church meeting in Fort Pierce and then cross over the state and visit Leon McArthur and other relatives and friends down there.

Mr. and Mrs. R.D. Sprague were Thursday supper guests of the Ronnie Sprague family.

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