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Editor's Column

By Connie

THE CHRISTMAS SEASON IS HERE--ALREADY!

Suddenly it's Christmas-season time, with stores bulging with everything imaginable to please the holiday shoppers, and home-folks planning last details for the big day and dinner.

Weidman has a lot to offer Christmas shoppers this year. From the Bank's Christmas Saving Plan for next year to Baumann's food market, where you can find everything, to the last minute detail, you'll want or need for your Christmas dinner; to Fox Hardware, with scrumptious gift offerings; to Bud's Party Store, loaded with gifts things; and on to the Weidman Pharmacy, where you can find just the right gift for that just-right person.

Weidman stores, all of them, from Clark's Market on the first downtown corner, to Abbott's big new furniture store, to the Allen Lumber showplace. We've got a lot to offer Christmas shoppers.

Seems as though the Christmas season came on us suddenly, after those golden days of November when we really had our Indian Summer and lovely autumn weather.

Suddenly it's holiday time, and don't forget the out-of-the-way places, like Maeders' Discount Store out on Coldwater Road (south of town) and a few other nearby spots you'll want to look over before driving 15 miles in any direction to shop.

We all can do a lot of shopping right here in Weidman, for the first time, perhaps, on a wide-angle scale; which is to say, we now have just about everything to offer holiday shoppers.

Oh yes; The Flower Shop, next door to the Messenger, still carries in its traditional supply of hand-made and personally-designed cemetery wreaths and beautiful door swags for homes. (Frances' door swags are areally something else, as we can testify--she brings one over for the Messenger's front door every holiday time.)

WEIDMAN BUSINESS ASSOCIATION

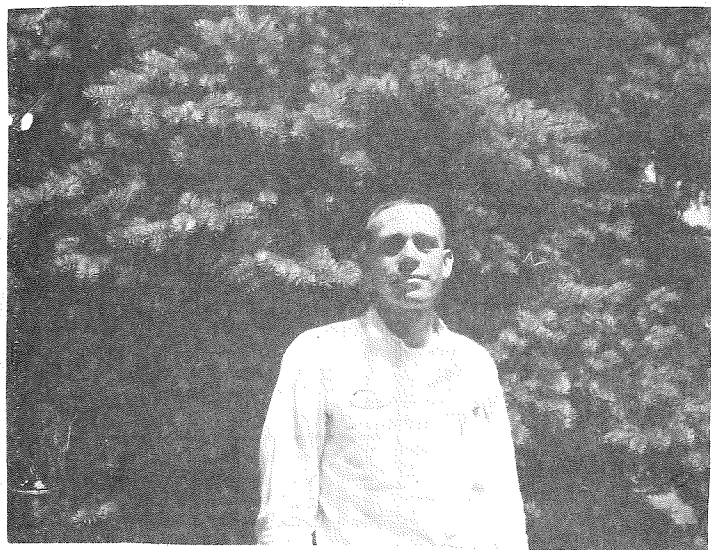
MEETING THURSDAY, 7.30 p.m.

The regular meeting of the Weidman Business Association will be held this week Thursday, Dec. 4, at the old Bank Building at 7.30 p.m.

Very important matters are to

be discussed, including the possible \$75,000 HUD grant for village improvements and a possible community center building.

All WBA members are urged to attend this important meeting.



IVAN ALLEN

Ivan Allen died early Tuesday morning, Dec. 2, at CMC Hospital, after an illness of six months. He was 43.

He came to Weidman from Alma 18 years ago, and his father, Alton Allen, came in 1960. Alton Allen died in January, 1974.

When he came here, Ivan took a job as manager of Bernard Woodruff's Lumber Yard.

Subsequently the Allens built a new office building across the street, now part of the grounds site of Isabella Bank and Trust. The Allens eventually bought out Woodruff's interest in the lumber business here, and proceeded to build a great many projects locally and in Mt. Pleasant.

They personally did the steel and crucial cement work on the dam at Lake of the Hills, in No-

vember, 1965.

They were builders. They put up, and subsequently sold, 50 to 60 residential homes in this area and Mt. Pleasant. They also built several apartment buildings, one in Weidman, which they sold.

We might say that the Allens personally created Lake of the Hills, doing a great deal of hard labor on the project themselves.

Both father and son built beautiful homes for their own families here.

Ivan laid the steel work for the new dam on Lake Weidman, in its resurrection from ruin after the Weidman Mill Pond drained during a flood period. Allen machinery did heavy earth-moving work on Lake Weidman's shores.

The Allen Lumber Company is

FIRE DESTROYS COBBLESTONE HOUSE NORTH OF BRINTON

Fire starting in a chimney totally destroyed the former Clyde Forbes cobblestone house on the Rolland Road north of Brinton early Monday morning. The house was occupied by the Lester Olstrum family.

Firemen from the Nottawa and Sherman Volunteer Fire Department battled the blaze against high winds from 4 a.m. until 8.30. Their wives took them hot coffee and bean soup, the usual duties of Firemen's wives in a bad fire fight.

The Lake Fire Department was called in on an assist, but the fire was uncontrollable and the house was destroyed.

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LITTLE MAC ASSOCIATION MEETS JAN. 4 TO BEGIN PLANNING FOR THE BIG EVENT

The Little Mac Association will hold its first preparation meeting Sunday afternoon, Jan. 4, at 2 o'clock, at the Fire Hall, to begin planning for the big event of the year, the Little Mac Pig Roast and snowmobile celebration on the Elwood Miller farm.

The Association is composed of the Nottawa and Sherman Volunteer Fire Department personnel, the Weidman Business Association, and the Beal City Business Association.

Help of any kind will be appreciated, from donated time and work to donated items and money.

New ideas and suggestions for improvements in the programs for the big day will be welcomed at the meeting.

The public is cordially invited to attend.

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George Miller of Mt. Pleasant and Harrison was a Sunday caller at the home of his brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Touchinski, and girls.

now housed in its own new building, built in 1973, supplying building materials to this entire area.

Ivan and Alton built the new Church of the Nazarene south of the Weidman school in Weidman. Ivan personally did much of the labor on the church.

Walker Creek News

Ollie Denslow, Reporter

Visitors for Thanksgiving supper at the Lyle Denslow home Thursday evening were Mr. and Mrs. Micky Dargitz and children, Brian, Jill and Kathy, Kristy Ann and Ryan; Mr. and Mrs. Dale Denslow, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Corwin and Robbie and Kyle. Little Kristie has done it again. This time she's cracked her elbow. She is wearing a semi-cast on the same arm that was broken before.

On the first day of deer hunting, there were some hunters not reported in the Messenger. Lyle Denslow got a six-point 15 minutes after 8 a. m., and his brother Leo got a spikehorn.

This reporter received a nice letter from Pearl Loomis. She likes the place real well, where she lives. She says it's a grand merry-go-round, with always something going on most of the time. Her address is: Pearl Loomis, Woodward Nursing Home, 1309 South Bailey, Romeo, Mich., 18065.

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Wysong had Thanksgiving dinner Sunday with his mother, Mrs. Edna Wysong, of Harrison.

Mr. and Mrs. Art Schrock and grandchildren and great-grandchildren, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Wysong and boys called on her brother, Elton Dean Smith. Mr. and Mrs. Art Schrock also called on his mother, Mrs. Nellie Schrock.

Mr. and Mrs. Blane Monroe had Thanksgiving dinner with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Monroe.

Ethel Mae Monroe returned

from the hospital last week.

Visitors at the Harry Dosenberry home for Thanksgiving were Clyde Dosenberry and friend, Keith Dosenberry, and Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Dosenberry. Mr. and Mrs. Paul Dosenberry and two children of Rochester, Indiana, also were guests. Paul's family stayed until Sunday.

Lillian Wonsey called on Ollie Denslow Saturday afternoon.

The Harry Dosenberrys received word from his sister that their son was in a serious snowmobile accident near Rodney. He was traveling along the side of the road and ran into a parked car. Mr. Cluchey was in a Grand Rapids hospital. His condition was not known at this writing.

Cathy Dargitz was an overnight guest Thursday at Sue and Dale Denslow's. Sue and Dale had a dinner in honor of Juanita Struble's birthday. Doug Struble and family, and the Ray Packer family were also guests. Sue and Dale were guests of the Micky Dargitz family Friday evening.

Ralph Thompson, Mrs. Minnie Reed and daughter, Edith, of Lansing, returned home last week from a two weeks' trip to Texas (where they visited Bruce Reed), and also traversed 10 states, visiting Baton Rouge, La., Monterrey, Mexico, and returned by way of Kentucky and Tennessee. They escaped the heavy snowstorms prevalent throughout the Western states during that period.

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Local Items

A group of Weidman folks enjoyed Thanksgiving dinner at The Embers in Mt. Pleasant. Present were Mr. and Mrs. William Louisell of Weidman, Mr. and Mrs. Pat Dillenbeck, and Mr. and Mrs. William Louisell,

Jr., and two children and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Louisell and daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. Gary McArthur

and Linda Fussman and children were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell McArthur. HOME PAPER FOR THE WEST HALF OF ISABELLA COUNTY

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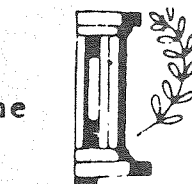
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Nov. 20th

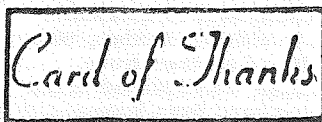
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Nov. 27th

FOR SALE--Hand made Raggedy Ann and Andy dolls. Dolls and clothing machine washable. \$12 each. To place your Christmas order before Dec. 15, call 644-2306 or 644-3316.

Nov. 27th

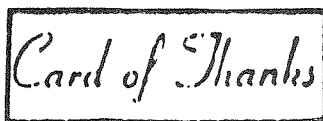
PICTURES--Lots of them, piled up at the Messenger office. Owners may pick up any time after noon Wednesday, or any days thereafter. Please!



I want to express my deep and sincere thanks to my family, relatives and friends who visited me during my long stay in the Traverse City Hospital;

I want to thank all those who sent cards and flowers, and their good wishes for my recovery.

Your concern and loving attention helped me immensely.
 Roy Adams



I wish to thank all the friends and neighbors who sent me birthday cards and gifts.

Mrs. Ina Gillett
 Sanford

NEWS NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Valentine of Midland were Friday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Emil Phillips.

Mr. and Mrs. Ken Cripps and son, Keith, of Detroit arrived Wednesday night for Thanksgiving and the weekend with their mother, Mrs. Edna Bowein. Loretta and Clarence Lorenz were Friday evening visitors of Mrs. Edna Bowein.



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BETTER THAN A LETTER

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Notice

ROAD ABANDONMENT

Commissioner House presented the following Resolution and moved its adoption:

"WHEREAS, a request has been filed with this Board by Lake Isabella Corporation for abandonment of Golden Drive between Queens Way and Bundy Drive, Lake Isabella Plat No. 4, Section Three (3), Township Fourteen North (T-14-N), Range Six West (R-6-W), Broomfield Township, Isabella County, Michigan, and

"WHEREAS, it appears to this Board that it is to the best interests of the public that said road shall be absolutely abandoned and discontinued,

"NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

1. That it is to the best interests of the public that the above described road be absolutely abandoned and discontinued.

2. That Golden Drive between Queens Way and Bundy Drive, Lake Isabella Plat No. 4, Section Three (3), Township Fourteen North (T-14-N), Range Six West (R-6-W), Broomfield Township, Isabella County, Michigan, be absolutely abandoned and discontinued.

3. That Notice of this action shall be published in the Weidman Messenger, a newspaper printed and circulated in the County, once in each week for three successive weeks.

4. That a copy of this Resolution be recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Isabella County in accordance with the provisions of the statute in such case made and provided.

5. That a copy of this Resolution be sent to the Michigan Department of State Highways and Transportation in accordance with the provisions of the statute in such case made and provided."

The Motion to adopt the Resolution was supported by Commissioner McFarlane.

The vote on the Resolution was as follows:

Commissioner Duncan - Yes.

Commissioner McFarlane - Yes.

Commissioner House - Yes.

The Resolution having been adopted by the unanimous vote of the Commissioners, same was declared carried, by Chairman Duncan.

I, Frances Murray, Secretary of the Board of County Road Commissioners of the County of Isabella, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and compared copy of the Resolution adopted at a Regular Meeting of said Board, held at the Office of the Commission November 13, 1975.

Frances Murray
 Secretary

Nov. 27, Dec. 5 & 11

Obituary

IVAN D. ALLEN

Ivan D. Allen of Weidman died early Tuesday morning, Dec. 2, at CMC Hospital, after an illness of six months. He was 43 years old.

He was born at Wheeler Nov. 17, 1932, and had been a resident of Weidman the past 18 years.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 4, in the Weidman Church of the Nazarene, with Rev. William Hurt officiating. Interment will be in Fairview Cemetery at Weidman.

He was a member of the Weidman Church of the Nazarene, and a veteran of the Korean War.

He is survived by his wife, Rowena; one daughter, Ivania Dale; two sons, Geoffrey L. and Gregory L., all at home; his mother, Mrs. Beatrice Allen, and two brothers, Alton, Jr., of St. Louis, and Rev. Carl Allen of Portage, Ind.

The family have the sympathy of their many friends.

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Brinton News

Frances Beck, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Beutler were in Detroit last week, at the home of his uncle, Oliver Bishop. Clayton's aunt passed away during their stay there. She was buried at the Weidman Cemetery Friday, with graveside services.

Sorry to hear of the fire that destroyed the former Clyde Forbes home on Rolland Road Monday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Fletcher and Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Bowen were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Darrel Haenke and boys Thanksgiving Day.

Mr. and Mrs. LaVerne Forbes were host to a family gathering including the Smith and Forbes families Thanksgiving Day.

Ruth Teeter and family of Clare and Mr. and Mrs. George Knorr and boys of Lansing spent Thanksgiving with their mother, Edna Teeter.

Eunice La Londe and Mr. and Mrs. Joe La Londe enjoyed Thanksgiving dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Wayne La Londe. Mr. and Mrs. Gary La Londe called on them and spent the evening, having lunch and playing cards.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Pitts had all their children and families home for Thanksgiving.

Mrs. Grace Pitts returned home Friday after spending a week at the home of her son, Elwyn Pitts, in Big Rapids. She spent the weekend with her daughter, Mrs. Elaine Esterline, at Farwell.

Two Rivers

Minnie Flaucher, Reporter

Pat Bunting says he was fortunate enough to get two Thanksgiving dinners. He spent Thanksgiving Day with Mr. and Mrs. Miles Bunting and family, and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Ken Bollman and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Wonesey, Linda Jones and Linda Foster of St. Louis spent Thanksgiving with Mr. and Mrs. Bud Worix and Jane.

Leona Courser had Thanksgiving dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Courser and family.

Leona Courser and Katie Courser and Ardith Thompson spent Friday in Lansing.

Nettie Baker spent Thanksgiving with Mr. and Mrs. Wally Bugbee.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Rogers and family spent Thanksgiving with Mr. and Mrs. Basil Rogers.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Cole and Brenda and Angie spent Thanksgiving with Mr. and Mrs. Fred Swan.

Visitors of the Philip Mead family for the Thanksgiving dinner were Kate and Ray Martin, Mr. and Mrs. John Schupbach and Janet and Joyce, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Sedell and son of Flint, Mr. and Mrs. Lyman Mead, Sr., and Mr. and Mrs. Lyman Mead, Jr.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Flaucher and Mr. and Mrs. Russell

Flaucher and Penny of Midland, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Flaucher and three children, Richard Flaucher, and Cora Kerry and Kathy Shurlow spent Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Flaucher and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Flaucher spent Thanksgiving with Cora Shurlow and family. Her mother, Mildred Ruegsegger, and Beulah and Ken McQueen and Richard Flaucher and three boys were also guests.

Thanksgiving guests of Nettie Crowley and Jay Leinaar were Mrs. Evalena Grant and Mr. and Mrs. Roger Knight of Carsonville, and Mr. and Mrs. Larry Grant and two sons of Roseville. Friday guests were Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Toarmina of Warren and great-grandson, Michael.

Mildred and Karen Rhode had a belated Thanksgiving dinner with Helen Hartman Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Gostola and daughters were Sunday visitors of Mrs. E. R. Rhode and Harold.

Franklin Lieder of Highland Park and grandsons, Frank and Tony, of Southfield, spent Thursday, Friday and Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Jack Lieder. Lovica Krueger was a Sunday visitor. Don and Opal Urie were Friday evening guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Hines had Thanksgiving dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Hines and family. Paul and Vida Lueder visited Mr. and Mrs. Bob Hines Tuesday afternoon.

West Gilmore

Lena Cole, Reporter

Julius Allbee remained in CMC Hospital. Mrs. Allbee was still ill in bed. Doctor's orders, at the home of her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Allbee.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Lague returned to their home Thursday, after several days spent at the home of their grand parents, the Paul Coles. Albert got a nice eight-point last Tuesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Straus are not feeling too good at this time. Larry hurt his back while lifting on a deer.

Mr. and Mrs. Sebastian Pfannes called on the Paul Coles Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Tony Masiwchuck and Debbie went to Kalamazoo Friday to visit her mother, who had suffered another stroke.

Miss Lynn Worth played in the marching band from Wayne State University, at Pontiac last Thursday. She came home after the game, spending the week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Worth.

Saturday Mr. and Mrs. Albert Geasler and Mr. and Mrs. Norman Geasler, and Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Worth were all guests for a Thanksgiving dinner at the Robert Worth home.

Several members of the Geasler and Robert Worth families gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Geasler and helped Albert and daughter, Melva

Jo, celebrate their birthdays, one evening last week.

The Paul Coles called on Mr. and Mrs. Bess Pfannes Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Richard Mahon and girls, Missie and Ronnie, visited the Pfannesses Saturday evening.

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Local Items

Bob Smith of Ypsilanti got his deer the first day of the season, near his hunting cabin at Skeels.

Leo Smith returned home last Friday from CMC Hospital after surgery. Mrs. Helen Alwood and Cathy called on him Sunday.

John Gott is home from CMC Hospital after serious surgery. He was reported as doing fine.

Mrs. Claribel Beutler spent Thanksgiving with the James Beutler family. Other guests were the Carl and Howard Beutler families, and Mengots of Mt. Pleasant, among other guests.

Roger Smith and boys of Flint called on their grandparents and great-grandparents Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Smith had Thanksgiving dinner with their son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Ted Smith, of Mt. Pleasant, Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Sprague and girls called on Mr. and Mrs. Leon Snyder of Ithaca Sunday, and were dinner guests. They also called on her sister and family, the James Suttons, of Ashley, in the afternoon.

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Dora Smith, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Keiffer had their Thanksgiving dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Albert Snider and family of Remus.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Lake of North Adams visited her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Keiffer, Friday.

Monica Grinzinger had Thanksgiving dinner with Teresa Bollman. She had supper with the Gerald Grinzingers. Friday she and Gertrude and Coletta Gross went to the home of Viola Engler and enjoyed cards and supper.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Block and family entertained Thanksgiving Day at their home. Present were Mr. and Mrs. Harold Block, Wayne Egbert, Cindy Jackson, Lester Henry, and Mr. and Mrs. John White and family.

Miss Theresa Smith spent a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Dean and Pat Schafer in Chicago. Pat Schafer brought her back, and spent the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Rau and family entertained their family at Thanksgiving dinner. Present were Mr. and Mrs. Louis Rau, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Rau and family, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gould and family, and Anna and Dora Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Yuncker en-

tertained company for Thanksgiving.

Mrs. Herman Kremsreiter called on Mrs. Julius Bierschbach last Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Latham and Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Lorenz were among those entertaining company at Thanksgiving dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Smith and family of Lansing spent Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Bob Blasen.

Dale Rau and Ginger Rau spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Walter Rau and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Lane of Grand Rapids spent Thanksgiving with Mr. and Mrs. Bob Schafer.

Mr. and Mrs. Mike McClury and Maxine and Terry Klumpp spent Sunday with the Al Klumpps.

Mr. and Mrs. Milo Eldred spent Saturday with Tillie Schafer.

Mrs. Schafer spent Sunday at the Gerry Schafer home in Mt. Pleasant.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Schafer of Shepherd and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Schafer and girls of Mt. Pleasant spent Sunday with Louise Schafer. Louise spent Thanksgiving Day at the Ron Malish's.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Schafer of Detroit spent the weekend with Effie Schafer.

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

Mr. and Mrs. Don Andrews entertained company Thanksgiving.

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BEAL CITY SENIOR CITIZENS HAVE 15 TABLES IN PLAY

At their regular card party, held Nov. 25 (Tuesday) instead of Thursday (Thanksgiving), last week, the Beal City Senior Citizens had 15 tables of pepper in play with 62 people present.

Albina Rau won high-score prize for the ladies, with Bertha Schumacher second and Eva Phillips low.

For the men, Emil Phillips won high-score prize, with Harold Schumacher second and Floyd Dutcher low.

Gertrude Gross won the pepper prize. Barney Gallagher won the door prize.

A lunch of cake, jello and coffee was enjoyed.

The next card party at the K. C. Hall in Beal City will be the annual Christmas party, with potluck dinner at noon. Take your own table service and a dish to pass.

The date is Dec. 18.

Everyone is welcome to attend.

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NEWS NOTES

Mrs. Helen Smith and Ula Cummins were Wednesday callers in Lakeview. Thanksgiving Day guests were Mr. and Mrs. Garth Lawrence and daughter, Pamela, of Laingsburg, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Cummins and two sons, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Hinch, all of St. Louis; and Mr. and Mrs. Alva Cummins and daughter, Alma White.

Local Items

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Touchinski hosted a birthday for their daughter, Terri, on her fifth anniversary, last Wednesday. A birthday dinner was enjoyed, with guests as follows: Mabel Allen, George Miller, and Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Miller, small Terri's grandparents.

Mrs. Gary McArthur, Mrs. Cecilia St. Germain and Sally Glenn and Gale St. Germain were Christmas shopping in Grand Rapids Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene McArthur and three sons had Thanksgiving dinner with Mr. and Mrs. David McArthur and family. Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Fritz of Quincy were late afternoon visitors Friday.

Mrs. Fritz is the former Amy Williams, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Tustin Willimms.

Roy Adams has been released from the hospital at Traverse City, where he was an accident patient for seven weeks. He is doing well, walking with a cane.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Maki of Escanaba were Sunday callers of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Touchinski and girls.

The Ivan Allen home was the gathering place for the Allen family for Thanksgiving dinner Friday. Present were Mrs. Alton Allen, Rev. Carl Allen and wife and son of Portage, Ind., and their daughter and husband, and

Alton Allen, Jr., and John, and the Mike Allen family.

Brenda Branson put a mobile home on her parents' property, just west of their home.

Mrs. Nina Forbes entertained Mr. and Mrs. Russell Wilson, Margaret Mullet and Russell and Diane Holt of Mt. Pleasant at Thanksgiving dinner.

Thanksgiving dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Goodrich were Mr. and Mrs. Larry Egbert, Sr., and Sherry Eberbach of Lansing.

Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell McArthur entertained all their children and their families at Thanksgiving dinner.

Stuart McArthur returned to his home in Alexandria, Va., after spending a week deer hunting with his brother, Mitchell.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Smith entertained their family at Thanksgiving dinner. Joyce, at the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor, and Mary, at CMU, at Mt. Pleasant, were also home.

Mr. and Mrs. Douglas McArthur and son enjoyed a delayed Thanksgiving dinner Sunday at the home of her sister, Mrs. Larry Updike, and family, of Rosebush. The Edward Garrett family were guests.

Mr. and Mrs. R.D. Sprague were Thanksgiving dinner guests of the Ronnie Spragues. R.D. and Jennie called on Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Dent at Farwell, on Sunday.

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Church School, 9.45 a. m.
Worship Service, 11 a. m.
Sharing and prayer, Thursday,
7.30 p. m.
Pot luck dinner third Sunday,
1 p. m.
U. M. W., 1st and 3rd Thurs-
days, 3 p. m.
Methodist Men, 4th Saturday,
6.30 p. m.

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Rev. Edwin Schmelzer, pastor.
Sunday School, 9.15 a. m.
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Rev. William Hurt, Pastor
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Sunday School, 10 a. m.
Morning Worship, 11 a. m.
Evening Service, 7.30 p. m.

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Corner Coleman and Vandecar
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George Getchel, minister.
Morning Worship, 9.30 a. m.
Bible School, 10.45 a. m.
Evening Worship, 7 p. m.

SET STRIKE VOTE DATE

Teachers at the Chippewa Hills
Schools have set Jan. 4 as a
strike-vote date.

Teachers are working without
contracts, and they are demand-
ing a 10 percent across-the-
board salary raise, along with
class-size reductions.

Around Horr

Jessie Rosencrantz, Reporter

Wilbur Wright and Elwood and
George Miller are keeping the
snowmobile trails open to the
Paul Miller home. Jim Wright
was a Sunday evening caller at
the Miller home, on his way
back to Clarkston.

Mr. and Mrs. Othel Denslow
took his mother to the Clock
Restaurant in Mt. Pleasant for
Sunday dinner.

Mrs. Flora Wood enjoyed
Thanksgiving dinner with the
Bob Bergquists. Mrs. Wood and
Mr. and Mrs. Vance Wood called
at the Riverview Apartments in
Mt. Pleasant Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Fahne-
stock attended the funeral of Mrs.
Adora Bishop (Dora Beutler) Fri-
day at Weidman. Clayton Beut-
ler and son were with Dora's
husband until they brought her
here for the funeral. Mr. and
Mrs. Clayton Beutler and Mr.
and Mrs. Ray Fahnestock and
Mr. Bishop had a farewell visit
at the Charles Fahnestock home
before he left for home.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Oplinger
spent Saturday evening with the
Dick Dutchers.

Mr. and Mrs. Garth Lawrence
and Pam were Thursday after-
noon and overnight and Friday
dinner guests of his mother, Mrs.
Nettie Lawrence.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Martin spent
Thanksgiving with her sister, Mrs.
Irene Keck. Woodrow Martin
spent Thanksgiving with the
Greg Martin family.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Gross and
Curt, Casey and Cory were Sun-
day dinner guests at the Gerald
Losey home.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Thompson
and Bill spent Thanksgiving
with the John Thompsons. John
then spent the weekend here
with the Jim Thompsons, and
did some deer hunting.

Don Snyder was a Friday eve-
ning guest at the Jim Thompson
home.

Tracy White entered the Mt.
Pleasant Hospital last Wednes-
day, and had surgery Friday.
Mr. and Mrs. Garth Lawrence
and Pam, Mr. and Mrs. Larry
Cummins and Duane and Fred

Linie were Thursday callers at
the Alva Cummins home. The
Garth Lawrences, Larry Cum-
minses, Mr. and Mrs. Alva
Cummins, and Mrs. Alma
White were Thursday dinner
guests of Mrs. Helen Smith and
Mrs. Ula Cummins in Weidman.

Gerald Dent had the misfor-
tune to fall and break his leg a
week ago Wednesday, so he and
Mabel were both in the hospital.
They came home last Wednes-
day. The children all called on
them during the weekend. Mrs.
Janet Dent and boys stayed dur-
ing last week. Other callers
were Mr. and Mrs. Austin Dent,
Mr. and Mrs. Larry Dent and
son of Lansing, Pete Thompson,
the Otis Conleys, and Elwood
Millers were Sunday evening
callers.

Mr. and Mrs. Theron Merri-
hew, Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Losey
and Nancy, Gary, Patti and
Beth, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Lo-
sey and Ron, Mr. and Mrs. Dan
Lorenz and Danny and Traci,
Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Chapman
and Chad and I were Thanksgiv-
ing dinner guests at the Charlie
Losey home. Floyd Dutcher and
Harold Losey were Sunday call-
ers.

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Mr. and Mrs. Emil Phillips en-
joyed Thanksgiving dinner with
Mr. and Mrs. Larry Williams of
Midland.

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Gladys Brown, Reporter

THE BECKS RETURN FROM THE MAYO CLINIC

Mr. and Mrs. Andy Beck returned Sunday night from Rochester, Minn., after eight days away from home.

At the Mayo Clinic, Andy passed a health test with flying colors, and the family is naturally very happy.

Gladys Brown has been doing a good job of substituting for Beryl on writing the Coldwater Lake news, and we all thank her.

Congratulations on the results of your long trip to Mayo's, Andy and Beryl!

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Marchiando and children spent Thanksgiving weekend with his aunt and uncle in Royal Oak.

Mr. and Mrs. Scott Frear traveled to Wisconsin to spend the Thanksgiving weekend with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Huguélet are both ill, and their daughter came to care for them.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Benson and daughter, Vicky, left Wednesday of last week to go to Detroit to spend the remainder of the week visiting his folks and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Brown had three of their children and their families home for Thanksgiving. They were Mr. and Mrs. Donald Brown and daughter, Debi and Susy of Mt. Pleasant, Mr. and Mrs. William Brown and sons Jeff, Roger and Charlie, of Weidman, and their daughter, Glenda Johnson and children, Cammie and Jon.

Mrs. Jo Allen had as her guests Wednesday evening and Thursday, her brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Bronzier of Grand Blanc, and her granddaughter, Tammy Merritt, who came to spend Thanksgiving week with her grandmother.

Mr. and Mrs. Tim Fleenor entertained his folks, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Fleenor, from Illinois, for Thanksgiving. Mrs. Tim Fleenor is a niece of Jo Allen, and the two families combined and had their Thanksgiving dinner at the Fleenors'.

Mrs. Betty Stacy had a letter from her sister, Esther Morford, who recently moved from Coldwater Lake to the Upper Peninsula. She said she had shot her buck. It was a six-point, and weighed about 160 pounds. Herb hadn't got his as yet.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerry Mitchell entertained his daughter and husband, Kathy and Skip DeWitt, and their two children, Anita and Jerry, and Mrs. Mitchell's sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Womack, and their three children, Tammy, Kirk and Danny, for the Thanksgiving holiday. They also stayed till Friday evening,

when all were leaving for home.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Harter and children spent Thanksgiving Day with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Todd, of Carson City.

Mr. and Mrs. William Grace were invited to the home of their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Phelps, for Thanksgiving Day dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Wischmeyer had their son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Wade Wischmeyer, and three children of Alma home for Thanksgiving dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Stacey enjoyed having their family home for Thanksgiving. Present were Mr. and Mrs. Terry Stacy of Mt. Pleasant, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Harris of Harrison, and daughter, Penny, of Ferris State College. Also visiting that day were their son-in-law's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harris, from Flint. They were also host to two CMU students who live next door in the Stomer cottage.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Lichtenfelt had Thanksgiving dinner ready for their family: Daughter Terry from Mt. Pleasant and daughter and son-in-law Mr. and Mrs. Tom Orr from Pawpaw. Mr. and Mrs. Orr are in the process of moving to Bay City, where he will be accepting the job of principal of the John Glenn High School.

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**TOP HONOR GRADUATE
IN THE MARINE CORPS**

"The competition was tough, the hours were long and the training was rigid--I am proud to have come out of it all as the class honor graduate!" Those were the words of Lance Corporal J. D. Sisco, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Russell Sisco of the Brinton area, who graduated as the top Marine from the Non-commissioned Officers Leadership School's Class 75 at Quantico, Va., last Friday.

Lance Corporal Sisco is 21, a ground radio technician at the maintenance section of the Communications Platoon, Communications Officer School.

She enlisted in the Marine Corps shortly after graduating from the Chippewa Hills High School in 1974. After completing boot camp at Parris Island, S.C., she attended the Communications Electronics School at MCB, 29 Palms, Calif.

As the honor graduate, she finished the four-week course with a 94.33 percent average. In recognition of her achievement, she was presented a Letter of Appreciation from Lieut. General J. C. Fegan, commanding general, MCDEC.

She has recently appeared before a promotion board for corporal, and will be promoted to that rank "meritoriously" for her performance while attending the NCO Leadership School.

Her class began training Oct. 14. During the four weeks of training, the students have been taught techniques of military instruction, drill, leadership, and navigation, physical training, tactics, uniform regulations, interior guard, and the code of conduct. The class average was 82, compared to Lance Corporal Sisco's 94.33.

Congratulations!

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NEWS NOTES

Mrs. Emma Middlesworth, Norma Middlesworth, K. C. Charnes and Jack Trainor and daughter, Kim, of Rosebush were Thanksgiving dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Charnes.

**COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
WILL APPLY FOR HUD MONEY
FOR WEIDMAN PROJECTS**

County Commissioners Connie Smith (east half of Weidman, west half of Nottawa and Beal City) and Wayne Lyon (west half of Weidman and Sherman Township, plus extensive other areas) said last week that the Board of County Commissioners will apply for money available from the Housing and Urban Development Corporation, which is "free" money in that it is not a loan and does not have to be repaid.

WBA President Gary McArthur prepared a statement of priority needs for the Nottawa-Sherman area and took it to the Commissioners Monday morning.

There is \$75,000 available to this community (Weidman and Beal City), the Commissioners indicated, if we can show need for it.

Monies would be used for a community building for the two townships, and possibly a fence around Mitchell Memorial Park, in Weidman but in Nottawa Township.

John Ruggles and his associates of Mt. Pleasant will do the research necessary in government grant deals, assisting small communities in applying for grants.

Local enthusiasm is badly needed to show the Commissioners and HUD that people here really do care about their communities (Weidman and Beal City).

"All we have to do," Gary McArthur told the Messenger in an interview Saturday, "is to get out and show the need here for improvement in this area."

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**TEENAGERS SAVE DEER
ON ICE AT LAKE ISABELLA**

About 4 o'clock p.m. last Friday, a doe deer and her fawn attempted to cross Lake Isabella at a channel where the ice was not solid enough to hold them.

They kept breaking through, into the water. The doe became quite damaged, suffering scratched legs and other injuries, but the two animal struggled valiantly.

A crowd of snowmobiler spectators lined the shore, watching. The deer became frantic with fright and the struggle in the water and scrambling out onto ice that broke beneath them.

Two teenage boys, Dirk and David Powell, looked over the situation, went and got out a boat, and went after the deer to save them.

They managed to get both animals into their boat, and got back safely to shore. They risked perhaps their own lives in the process.

According to last unverified reports, attempts were made to get the deer back into the woods. The teenage boys deserve some

kind of medal from the Department of Natural Resources--and from all of us in this area.

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**MID MICHIGAN COLLEGE GETS
TWO USEFUL VEHICLES**

Mid Michigan Community College recently acquired two vehicles for use in the Health Occupations Department of the college.

Dr. and Mrs. Elmer Shurlow of Clare donated a 1966 Pontiac ambulance and Wayne Bennett, owner of Templeton Parts and Sales in Clare, donated a 1964 Chevrolet auto.

The ambulance was the first one placed in service when the Clare County Ambulance Service was organized to give emergency coverage to Clare County

in January of 1966.

The vehicle will be used in training courses pertaining to many areas of emergency care and treatment, at the college. It will be used in defensive driving, extrication, and the basic training of practical skills; these are required of the Medical Emergency Technician licensed ambulance attendants when giving treatment and care of patients at the scene or en route to definitive treatment.

The Chevrolet will be used in the training of patient removal from automobiles, using the full and half backboards (for head, neck and suspected back injuries); patient survey, and treatment within the automobile prior to removal.

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