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Editor's Column

By Connie

ONE LAST OLD FASHIONED WEIDMAN DAY THIS SUMMER?

Shall we have one last good old fashioned Weidman Day this summer in observance of the national Bicentennial Year?

The answer will be determined, largely, at a public meeting scheduled for next Thursday evening, March 4, at the Weidman School cafeteria at 7 p.m.

There will be no one organization in overall charge of the event, as presently planned.

(The Weidman Business Association was official putter-omner of Weidman Day, in the old days).

Now there are interested citizens wishing we could have one last old-time fling at an old-time Weidman Day, with all ages participating in the planning and work of putting on the celebration.

Next Thursday night's meeting will be merely a feeling-out of area folks, young and old and in-between, as to whether we should attempt it.

There will have to be an overall Chairman, who will appoint various committees to work on various details of entertainment and events for the day. This will be the main purpose of next Thursday night's meeting--to get together, talk about it, decide if we want to do it, and then elect a Chairman to oversee and organize for the celebration.

C'mon on out and yak with us all next Thursday night. Maybe we could see just one more good old-fashioned Weidman Day.

It would mean a lot to many oldsters and middle-agers, to say nothing of young folks pitching in and having a ball doing their thing in the day's program of entertainments and eating facilities. (Oh, yes, the visiting folks would have to eat, too!)

It's a last chance for the young and old to work together on one last Weidman Day, a tradition gone with so many of our old-time enjoyments.

HOME PAPER FOR THE WEST HALF OF ISABELLA COUNTY



GREGORY ALLEN

Gregory Allen, son of Mrs. Rowena and the late Ivan Allen, is one of a team of young Bible students taking part in a Teen Quiz on the Book of Matthew in Mt. Pleasant Feb. 28. The quiz will take place at the Mt. Pleasant Nazarene Church.

The five-man team consists of two teenagers from Clare, two from Alma, and Greg, represent-

ing Weidman. They will compete in knowledge of the Book of Matthew against a team from the Saginaw area. The quiz will cover the complete Book of Matthew, and the contestants really have to know Matthew.

Rev. Wm. F. Hurt of the Weidman Church of the Nazarene is coaching the area team. The team practices each week at the Mt. Pleasant church, it being centrally located to the students.

The five highest-scoring members of both teams will go on to national competitions.

Kevin Hurt, son of Rev. and Mrs. Hurt of the Weidman Nazarene Church, was top Junior quizzer in our zone in January. He has now completed work on the local Junior team.

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PLEADS GUILTY TO ATTEMPTED BREAKIN

Steven A. Miller pleaded guilty in Judge Paul O'Connell's Circuit Court last week to attempted breaking and entering. He will be sentenced March 16. Two other charges of breaking and entering and receiving or aiding in the concealment of stolen property will be dismissed.

WEIDMAN DAY FOR OUR BICENTENNIAL CELEBRATION?

There will be a public meeting next Thursday, March 4, at 7 p.m. in the cafeteria of the Weidman School, to determine if the area wants to put on an old-fashioned Weidman Day as our observance of the national Bicentennial.

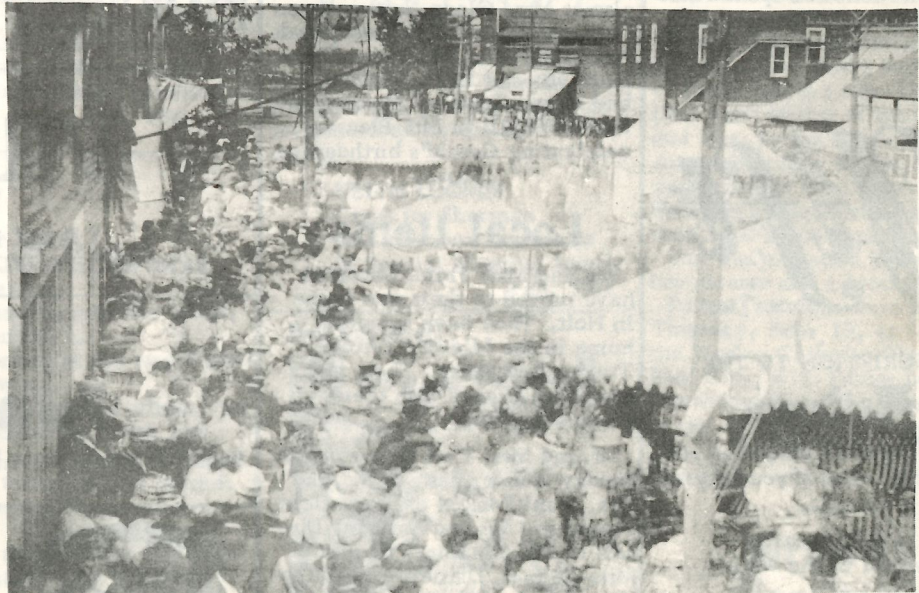
Representatives from any and all organizations hereabouts, as well as all individuals in the area, are urged to attend this meeting, which will merely determine if we want to put on an old-fashioned Weidman Day this summer.

All ages will be asked to participate: The adult organizations of every sort, the Girl Scouts, FFA, FHA, any groups that want to help put it on (and perhaps operate food booths for benefit of their organizations), and everyone, the general public, interested in seeing one more Weidman Day this summer.

Be at the Weidman School at 7 p.m. next week Thursday, March 4, and help with initial planning.

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SHALL WE HAVE ONE LAST WEIDMAN DAY?--Interested citizens of the area are planning a public meeting at the Weidman School next Thursday night, March 4, to talk over whether Weidman people want one last Weidman Day fling as our National Bicentennial effort. If you're interested, be there next Thursday evening, 7 o'clock, cafeteria, Weidman School

S. W. Sherman
Goldie Dutcher, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher, Sr., and Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher, Jr., attended the funeral of Patrick Cain in Grand Rapids Friday. He was the husband of Lois Dutcher.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Remington and children of Saginaw spent Sunday with the Ervin Dutchers, Sr.

Monroe Beckwith of Otisville came up Sunday to the Ervin Dutchers' to spend a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Dutcher and boys had dinner with us Sunday. They spent the afternoon and had supper with the Robert Dutchers. Our other callers during the week were our children, Robert and Julia, Garry and David, and Richard and Jim.

Barry Babcock spent Tuesday with Steve Dutcher. Bob Hogg of Remus visited him Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Sisco and family spent Sunday with the Brian Dutchers. Mr. and Mrs. Ed Wernette and Mr. and Mrs. Calhoun, all of Greenville, and Mr. and Mrs. Larry Neiper of Ohio were Friday evening visitors. Mr. and Mrs. Greg Nelson of Lake Isabella visited one evening.

Sandy Dutcher and Eddie Oplinger visited the Dan Lantendresses of Barryton Sunday evening. Laura Van der Sys spent Monday evening with Sandra Dutcher.

Claribel Beutler had Sunday dinner with the Carl Beutlers.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Beutler attended a Farm Bureau Bicentennial meeting Friday at the home of the Lyle Walkingtons of Blanchard. The ladies invited their husbands to their pot-luck dinner.

The Dale Dutcher family visited the Jim Dutchers Thursday evening.

Roderick Nicholson spent Thursday evening with Harry and Bea Gatehouse.

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Around Horr

Jessie Rosencrantz, Reporter

Mrs. Nettie Lawrence went to the Mt. Pleasant Hospital Friday to see her sister-in-law, Mrs. Ed Graber.

Jim Strong was a Friday supper guest at the Jim Thompson home.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Martin were Sunday dinner guests at the home of Mrs. Lena Martin, celebrating Brenda's birthday.

Norman Miller has been spending a few days here at his mobile home. His son, Randy, and a bunch of Boy Scouts came here Saturday. They only stayed one night--it was too cold to sleep in tents.

Mr. and Mrs. Theron Merrihew and Harold Losey were Saturday callers at the Charlie Losey home. Monroe Beckwith was a Sunday caller.

Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Owens of Lake were Saturday guests at the Elwood Miller home.

Mrs. Mabel Allen of Lansing was a Wednesday overnight guest of the Millers.

Mike Wood, son of Mr. and Mrs. Pete Wood, finished in fourth place in a 200-mile snowmobile race at Houghton Lake Sunday. He lives at Grayling.

Mrs. Pete Wood called on Mrs. Flora Wood and her mother, Mrs. Isabel Peletier, at the Riverside Apartments in Mt. Pleasant, Thursday.

Mrs. Mabel Dent came home Tuesday evening from a five-day stay at Blodgett Hospital in Grand Rapids.

Mr. and Mrs. Dent visited her mother, Emily Wood, at Alma, Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Pat Dillenbeck were Wednesday supper guests at the Dent home.

Mabel and Gerald called at the Russell Sides home Sunday, and also at Mrs. Cleda Navarre's.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Losey and Patti, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Chapman, Mr. and Mrs. Al Cochran had supper Saturday evening at the VFW Hall in Mt. Pleasant, celebrating Gerald's birthday.

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Local Items

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Goodrich have moved to their new home in Holt. They have a mobile home in the Midway Terrace Trailer Park there. Their many Weidman friends wish them every happiness.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Embrey were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Maxon of Broomfield Township. Mr. and Mrs. Jay Darnell of Mt. Pleasant, Mr. and Mrs. W.E.B. Darnell of Big Rapids, and Mr. and Mrs. George Darnell and family of Stanton were also guests. George and Frank had birthdays Feb. 25, and the family gathered to observe them.

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 Feb. 12tf

LIONS CLUB FISH FRY--The Weidman Lions Club will hold another of their famous fish fries Friday, March 12, with serving from 5.30 to 7.30, at the Weidman School cafeteria. Adults \$3.00, children under 12 \$1.50.
 Feb. 26t3

THE BEAL CITY CENTENNIAL Committee is compiling a magazine of pictures and events of our 1975 Beal City Area Centennial, and is soliciting pictures (snapshots) of the events. If you desire to enter any, please leave them at Rau's Grocery in Beal City or at Vera Kavanaugh's, one mile south and one mile west of Beal City. Please write your name on the backs of the pictures. Your pictures will be returned.
 Feb. 26t1

In the Editor's Mail

Hi, Connie:
 I don't want to miss the paper, so here is my \$11.
 I am surprised at the way Weidman is growing.
 We have had a mild winter, no zero weather as yet, with lots of rain and snow. It was 59 degrees here today, a new record.
 I miss Lena's column when it isn't in.
 We hope to get home this summer or winter.
 Mr. and Mrs. Theron Hamilton
 Yakima, Washington
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KEITH LOOMIS
 Clerk for Sherman
 And Nottawa Townships
 In Special Meeting Jointly
 Feb. 19t2

Smokey Says:



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Notice

BOARD OF REVIEW MEETING
 Notice is hereby given, that the Board of Review for the Township of Nottawa will be in session Monday, March 8, and Tuesday, March 9, from 9 a.m. to 12 noon and from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., for the purpose of reviewing the tax-roll assessments. in said Township.
 ERNEST SCHMIDT
 Supervisor, Nottawa Twp.
 Feb. 26t2

LEGAL

Notice

BOARD OF REVIEW MEETING
 Notice is hereby given, that the Board of Review for the Township of Sherman will be in session March 8 and 9, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., at the Township Hall, for the purpose of reviewing tax assessments in said Township.

EARL OPLINGER
 Supervisor, Sherman Twp.
 Feb. 26t2

Obituary

EILEEN FABER

Eileen Faber died Feb. 17 at St. Joseph's Hospital in Ann Arbor. She was 53.

She was born June 19, 1922, and was a resident of the Beal City area most of her life.

She is survived by her husband, Walter; daughters Diane Benaske and Mrs. Leo (Judy) Battle both of Paris, Mich.; Mrs. Duane (Sue Ann) Miller of Beal City, and Mrs. James (Joyce) Davy of Ann Arbor; sons Joseph, Steven and James of Beal City, and Paul, at home; and 12 grandchildren, and nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents and a brother, James.

Funeral services were held last Thursday, Feb. 19, at St. Joseph the Worker Catholic Church in Beal City, with Father Donald Dueweke officiating. Burial was in the church cemetery.

She had many, many friends here who will miss her greatly.

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BETTER THAN A LETTER

Students study Weidman area

Students in an urban politics class at Central Michigan University are learning first hand by assisting Weidman area business and civic leaders in researching their growing community's problems as well as its potential.

This semester 20 graduate and undergraduate students enrolled in Politics and Policy in Urban Communities, a political science course, will describe and define concerns in the Weidman area.

Comparing the students to a research team which studies urban problems, William Browne, instructor of the course, says the project is "one of the most valuable services (the university) can offer a community."

The project is a result of request for assistance from business people such as the Weidman Business Association and government officials in the area including school board members.

Students in the class, primarily public administration and public government majors, will attempt to define the community, its boundaries and population, as well as study the growth and decay of certain forces.

The team will conduct public opinion survey research, ex-

plore opportunities for federal grants and set up operations research. They will also study the legal mechanisms and the political process of the community.

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WEIDMAN TEENAGERS WIN IN ENSEMBLE CONTEST AT FERRIS STATE COLLEGE

In the District Solo and Ensemble contest at Ferris State College Feb. 7, several Weidman youngsters won honors for their musical achievements.

Jodi Sprague won a First playing an alto saxophone solo. Nancy Hogg won a First for a French horn solo; Robin Doerr, Marc Hassen, Chris Hawkins and Jodi Sprague won a First as a sax quartet.

Karen Dutcher won second for a horn solo; and Karen Dutcher, Connie Helms and Leanna Gilbert for a French horn trio.

Steffanie Vaughn, Bob Hansen, Connie Helms, Dave Connelly, Wayne Karcher and Chris Embrey won second honors for a brass ensemble.

The kids are doing all right in music. Congratulations!

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Mr. and Mrs. John Falyers of Warren and Kathy Lord of Mt. Pleasant, and Loretta Lorenz spent last Monday afternoon with Mrs. Edna Bowein.

FFA students win awards

Several area students won awards at a recent regional FFA leadership contest in Shelby.

The contest was open to 20 schools in this region. Four teams competed in each contest area.

Beal City student Bob Engler took a gold award in the public speaking category. Another Beal City student, Marty C. Fox, along with a Chippewa Hills student, were awarded a silver medal in the greenhand public speaking contest.

Chippewa Hills' team won a gold in agricultural forum, with Beal City getting the silver. Beal City's Frank Engler won a gold in the job interview contest and Mount Pleasant's Ken Norton took the silver.

The parliamentary procedure contest saw Beal City's team take a silver. The demonstration contest was won by the Lakeview team.

In addition, Building our American Community regional trophies were awarded to Chippewa Hills, Beal City and Evart schools.

All winners will go to the state competition at Michigan State University March 25. The competition will take place in conjunction with the state convention.

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Mrs. Claribel Beutler was a Sunday dinner guest of the Carl Beutler family. Her daughter, Mrs. Forrest Johnston, of Rosebush, called on her in the evening.

North Weidman

Elvah Gott, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Burdette of Owosso and Mrs. Irene Fisher of Lansing called at the Rush Funeral Home last Wednesday evening to pay respects to their cousin, Eileen Faber. Rusty Alwood and his mother, Helen Alwood, attended the funeral of Mrs. Faber Thursday morning at St. Joseph the Worker Church in Beal City. Mrs. Faber was very well known and loved by old and young people. We will miss her very much.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Gott of Winn were our Sunday visitors.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Gott and family spent the weekend with Wanda and Debbie Graham.

Shirley Gott's mother passed away in Florida last Thursday, following a heart attack. Her name was Mrs. Emma Evezlier, and she lived near Clare.

Wanda and I attended her funeral in Midland Monday of this week. We brought Rodney Gott home with us.

Dick Gott visited his father, John, Monday of this week.

Delbert Abbott of Middleton died Saturday night. His funeral was held Tuesday in Middleton. He was a brother of Don and Norman Abbott and Mrs. Grace Swanson.

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Mr. and Mrs. Gary McArthur and family and Mr. and Mrs. Steve Fussman and Bryce were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell McArthur.

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Beal City

Dora Smith, Reporter

Martha Gross and Leon Pung of Portland spent Monday with Matie Pung and Jack Schafer.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Grinzinger spent Sunday with friends in Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Schafer of Winn spent Sunday with Tillie Schafer.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Schafer spent the past two weeks in Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Schafer returned home last Tuesday, after spending two weeks in Las Vegas.

Mrs. Ruth Klumpp and Tillie Schafer spent Thursday afternoon at the Bob Tatro home in Winn.

Mrs. Walter Faber died and was buried last Thursday from St. Joseph the Worker's Church.

Tillie and Louise Schafer spent Sunday at the Milo Eldred home in Winn.

Among 11 area students to be initiated into the Epsilon Eta Chapter of Kappa Delta Pi, the national co-educational honor society in education, was Denise Yuncker. Linda and Rita Schmidt, Seniors at CMU, were also among those honored.

Dyana L. Recker of the Beal City High School was among three contestants named Betty Crocker Family Leaders of Tomorrow, and will receive a certificate from General Mills. She is eligible for state and national competition.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Jo Schafer of Vernon spent Friday evening with Tillie Schafer.

Brandi Leigh Trowbridge was baptized Sunday, Feb. 22, at Sanford. The godparents are Ginny Rau and Paul Smith. Among those attending were Mrs. Paul Smith and children, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Blasen and Theresa, Shirley Head and daughter, Lisa, and Shirley's mother.

Mrs. Harold Smith of Lansing

spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Bob Blasen and Theresa Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Smith entertained company from Lansing over the weekend.

Bernard Smith had surgery at CMC Hospital in Mt. Pleasant.

Dora Smith called on Mr. and Mrs. Harold Block Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Bierschbach and family called on Mr. and Mrs. Julius Bierschbach and family Monday evening.

Tony Vogel was an afternoon caller. Mr. and Mrs. Ed Wawersik were Friday evening visitors. Mrs. Tom Schumacher and family called Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Schumacher and family had Sunday supper with Mr. and Mrs. Gary Schumacher.

Sherry Marie Zeien, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Zeien, was baptized in St. Joseph the Worker Church Sunday.

Tony Marhofer of Belding died Saturday at his home, and was buried Tuesday in Belding. He was a member of the Marhofer family living south and west of Beal City, and was well known here.

Albert Kessler, a former resident of the Beal City area, passed away Saturday, Feb. 21, at his home in Big Rapids, and was buried Wednesday morning in Big Rapids. He was a well-known resident of the Beal City area. His wife is the former Philomena Andres.

Mrs. Lavina Elias spent Sunday with Mrs. Wendel Simmer and son, John.

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NEWS NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Timmann and Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell McArthur attended an Open House for the new bank in Remus Friday evening.

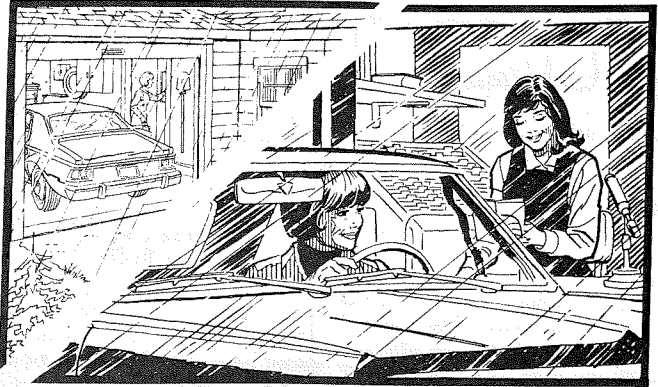
Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Smith attended a Senior Citizens meeting at Barryton last Thursday, and also attended Open House at the new bank in Barryton.



**Debbijo Hoffman
& Timothy Pung**

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hoffman, Weidman, wish to announce the engagement of their daughter, Debbijo to Timothy Lee Pung, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Pung, also of Weidman. The bride-elect, a 1974 graduate of Brandon High School, Ortonville, is working as a dental assistant. Her fiancé is employed by Card Construction Co., Mount Pleasant. A June 5 wedding is being planned.

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Card of Thanks

We wish to express our thanks to everyone who helped us out during Eileen's sickness and funeral.

To all those who gave flowers, Masses and food, or called to see her at the funeral home, we thank you.

A special Thanks to the staff of St. Joseph's School, and the wonderful children who attend school there. They are just grand.

The people of the Beal City area, which includes many whom we know in the Weidman area, to me are the most wonderful people in the world. Their generosity just cannot be outdone.

Eileen had a special gift of remembering everyone she ever met, and could usually speak their first names, so even though she was not born and raised in this area, she accumulated many friends.

So to all her friends we say Many, many thanks.

Walter Faber
And the Family

Obituary

ALMEDA McCOMB

Almeda McComb of Barryton died Feb. 17 at the Green Ridge Nursing Home at Big Rapids. She was 80.

She was born April 1, 1895, in Mecosta County, where she was a lifelong resident. She was a member of the Barryton Church of God and also of several civic organizations.

She is survived by two sons, Doyle of Ypsilanti, and William of Marion; two daughters, Mrs. Ray (Mildred) Kirvan of Big Rapids and Mrs. Vance (Barbara) Gatehouse of Remus; and 12 grandchildren, 11 great-grandchildren, and nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held Thursday, Feb. 19, at the Daggett Funeral Home in Barryton, with Ercil Williams officiating. Burial was in the Flake Cemetery at Remus.

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NEWS NOTES

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Titus Sanford, a son, Titus Duane II, at CMC Hospital Feb. 16. Titus II has a little sister, Wendy, at home.

Pami Sprague spent Friday and Saturday nights with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Sprague.

Coldwater Lake

Gladys Brown, Reporter

Mrs. Frank Dorr's brother, who is staying with them while recuperating, had his nephew and wife from Iowa visit him over the weekend.

Mrs. Scott Frear came home last Wednesday night from St. Mary's Hospital in Saginaw, where she had back surgery. She was there 10 days, and she reports she's feeling much better.

Jo Allen took her daughter-in-law and grandchildren to Metropolitan Airport in Detroit to catch their flight to Germany, where they'll be staying for the next four years. Her son is in service, and is stationed in Germany.

The ice cutting bee was called off Sunday on Coldwater Lake on account of the storm and condition of the ice.

Russell Lafrienier, Rod Hall and Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Brown attended a standard-bred horse sale in Delaware, Ohio, last week, where they purchased some horses. After the sale, Rod Hall brought the horses back and they continued on to Florida for a vacation.

Mrs. Frank Huguelet has returned to her home after a lengthy stay in the Mt. Pleasant Hospital. She's able to be about with the aid of a walker and wheel chair.

Mr. and Mrs. Andy Beck have purchased a mobile home in California, where they will be spending their winters from now on.

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Brinton News

Frances Beck, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Laverne Forbes and family spent the weekend with his sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Leiter, and family, of near Flint.

Eunice La Londe and I were in Clare Thursday, and we called on Connie Fletcher and her new daughter, at Lake Thirteen.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Wilson and Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Bowen attended a lodge meeting at Barryton Saturday afternoon.

Linda La Londe entertained with a birthday dinner in honor of Wayne La Londe Sunday. Guests included his mother, Eunice La Londe, Mr. and Mrs. Berl Denslow, and Mr. and Mrs. Laverne Forbes.

Irene Bowen spent from Thursday till Saturday with her daughter, Connie Fletcher, of Lake Thirteen. Mr. and Mrs. Darrel Haenke and boys called on her parents, Lewis and Irene Bowen, Sunday afternoon.

Bud Longton received word of the death of his brother-in-law, Frank Gute, of Owosso, who passed away recently.

Mr. and Calvin Spiece of Carson City were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Roberts. They enjoyed a birth-

day dinner in honor of Laura and sister Lorna.

Joyce Geasler was in Mr. Pleasant Thursday.

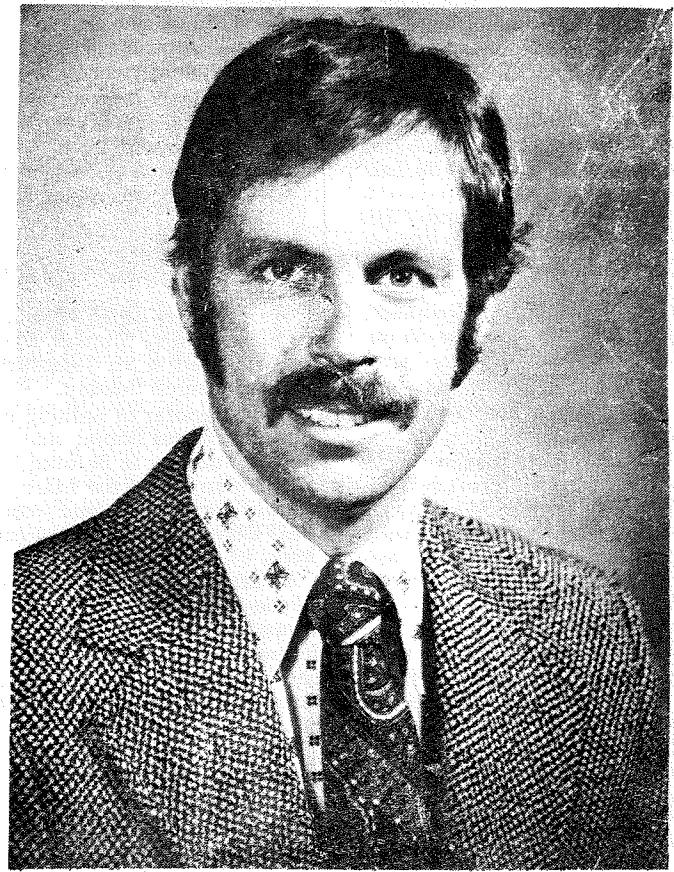
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Mrs. Claribel Beutler spent Monday afternoon with Flora Wood at Riverview Apartments in Mt. Pleasant.

NEWS NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Pitts and family were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Neil Brickner at Rosebush.

Mr. and Mrs. Emil Phillips visited the Clare Nursing Home to see her sister, Etta Bristol, Friday.



Colin Stutesman

New manager

Colin Stutesman of Owosso has been named customer service manager for General Telephone Company at Mount Pleasant, succeeding Dave Alger, according to Bill Buschle, division manager for the company.

Alger has been promoted to the Southern Area as public affairs manager in Three Rivers.

As customer service manager, Stutesman will represent the division manager in public affairs and other community contact activities. His responsibilities will include the exchange communities of Mount Pleasant, Barryton, Remus, Shepherd and Weidman.

Stutesman joined General Telephone Company as an equipment installer in O-

wosso in 1967 and became a PBX repairman in 1969. His most recent position has been communications consultant which he was appointed to in 1972.

Colin, his wife, Margaret, and two daughters, Stacy, 6, and Marcy, 1, will be moving to Mount Pleasant.

In his new position Alger will have the administrative responsibility of the company's Southern Area. His responsibilities include the public information program, local advertising and community affairs for the Area.

The company's Southern Area is composed of the Adrian, South Haven and Three Rivers Divisions which contain 148 communities served by over 182,000 telephones.

SOME DETAILS OF THE PUBLIC MEETING ON ORDINANCES

(Editor's Note: Following are some details of the meeting held Feb. 12 to discuss pros and cons of a curfew and loitering ordinance both for Sherman and Nottawa Townships.

(Space last week did not allow for our printing of this report.)

Nottawa Township Supervisor Ernest Schmidt called the meeting to order, and acted as chairman for the Township Boards. Keith Loomis acted as Clerk for both townships.

A question of the softball games at Mitchell Memorial Park was brought up, with the information that games sometimes lasted till after midnight, when curfews would forbid all minors to be off the streets and out of any public place. It was brought out that the softball games are an exception "Like the Shepherd Maple Syrup Festival," as Sheriff Gillis pointed out. Another viewpoint was stressed, that the games very seldom go beyond 10 or 11 o'clock at night.

Lou Fiorillo, one of three members of a committee appointed by the Weidman Business Association to devise and bring before the Township Boards the ordinance, asked Sheriff Gillis if he thought that Weidman needs the ordinance. The answer was an emphatic "Yes."

Prosecuting Attorney Kennett said that there are state statutes

covering most of the situations contained in the ordinance, but that local ordinances strengthen the hands of law enforcement officers. He pointed out that 50 percent of all crimes are committed by juveniles.

Sheriff Gillis remarked, "I feel it's good (the ordinance), especially for young children. I think it will help the younger kids."

He added, "You're giving us more support" (in enforcing law and order).

Prosecutor Kennett suggested that the townspeople work through and with the local school for obtaining awareness of the ordinance and the consequences of unlimited freedom for juveniles at all hours of night. School Principal Harry Howard, in a conversation with the Messenger next day, said the suggestion was a good one, and the school will work to help parents and the community get understanding through to parents who might otherwise allow kids to be out late at night.

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In the Editor's Mail

Dear Connie,

It's time for our paper to run out, so I had better send you a check so we can keep up with the home-town news.

You folks sure have been having the snow storms. We got the tail-end of your last one, and it

was the most snow we have had all winter (six inches).

Do hope you are getting around much better, and that spring will be much better to you.

Hi to Frances Howard and Olive Johnson Fremont, Ohio

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THEY WON IN A SNOW SCULPTURE CONTEST--At the Beal City Parochial School recently. The First Graders did a marvelous job of snow sculpting, under guidance of their teacher, Sister Marjorie Ann. They worked on their sculptures during their noon hours. Winners are in the front row of the photo above: Dick Simon, first place, winning a Liberty Bell; Robbie Faber, second place, a tooth; and Janice Tilmann, third place, a sail boat. Sister Mary Ellen is principal of the school

SCHOOL TO ASK FOR THREE MILLS IN JUNE ELECTION

The Chippewa Hills Board of Education, at its last meeting, voted to ask three mills added for three years at the annual June election.

At the same meeting, the Board gave Superintendent Lavern Alward a hefty \$2,000-a-year raise in salary, bringing his annual pay to \$28,000.

Other administrators received about an eight percent raise, in line with what the teachers got after their strike last fall.

Business manager Jim McLean will get \$20,000 for 48 weeks' work; high school principal Warren Spragg will get \$20,000 for 46 weeks; Barryton principal Darryl Soper will get \$20,000 for 45 weeks; Weidman principal and title program co-ordinator Harry Howard will get \$20,500 for 48 weeks; Remus elementary principal Michael Smith, \$17,280 for 41 weeks; Mecosta elementary principal Gene Houghton, \$17,280 for 41 weeks; and Community (Adult) Education director Mike Behnke, \$19,500 for 48 weeks.

Pat Arsenault, assistant high school principal, offered his resignation, which was accepted. Board members wisely indicated they will eliminate that position for the present.

The Board optimistically expects to wring another three mills in taxes from Chippewa Hills District land owners. Millage requests have not fared well

in area school districts over the past several years.

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MID MICHIGAN COLLEGE OFFERS NURSING COURSE

Mid Michgian College at Harrison will conduct a Nurse Assistant class at the Clare Nursing Home beginning Monday, March 15, to run till Friday, April 9.

The class is for persons interested in becoming Nurses' Aides or Orderlies. Those completing the class will be issued a certificate as a Nurse Assistant.

Training will be in techniques and skills of basic patient care and will prepare persons for employment in hospitals and nursing homes.

Classes will be held Mondays through Fridays, 8 a.m. to 3.30 p.m., in the conference room at the Clare Nursing Home. Nina Sprayman, R.N., is instructor.

Registration and purchasing of textbooks for the class will be at Mid Michigan Community College, Harrison, any weekday prior to Monday, March 15. For additional information, phone the College, Health Occupations Dept., ph. 517-386-7792, Ext. No. 68.

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HONORED

Jack Fussman, owner of the Mt. Pleasant Speedway race track, received this year's recognition from the Michigan Speedway Promoters' Association.

Jim Clark, of Clark's Market in Weidman, has posted a new sign to announce coming events in this area.

GOOD TURNOUT OF CONCERNED PARENTS AT BEAL CITY SCHOOL MEETING

A good turnout of concerned parents was reported, at a public meeting at the Beal City High School last Wednesday evening, to discuss a drug awareness program and inform parents and interested people in the community of the drug abuses, and to make them aware of problems that do exist.

Another meeting is planned, at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Beal City, for March 2, which will be open to K. C. members and the public.

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In the Editor's Mail

Dear Connie--

Enclosed is a check for the Messenger. Can never remember when the paper runs out, but just don't want to miss any copy.

Thank you so much. Please keep up the good work. I just love the paper.

Yours,
Mrs. Milo Eldred
Blanchard

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