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## Editor's Column

By Connie

### SO WE'RE GOING TO HAVE WEIDMAN DAY THIS YEAR!

For the first time since 1965, there will be Weidman Day this summer, scheduled for Saturday, July 10.

Public meetings have been held with fruitful results, and an executive committee named to get the ball rolling.

So come on home, all you folks out there, from Beal City and Barryton and Remus, to Pontiac and Detroit and all over.

Surrounding lake folks are taking a healthy interest in the day, and it should be a good old home day for all.

It's being planned with slant toward the old-time things, and old-timers especially are being recognized.

That's not to say the kids won't have a big day, too. They sure will, with plans for their entertainment in good hands.

Mark your calendar for Saturday, July 10, and come on home; or come on in to town and enjoy an old-fashioned day.

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Beal City's Bicentennial observance is scheduled for a three-day event, July 23, 24 and 25.

That's on an old-time theme, too, so we're in for some grand times hereabouts this summer.

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### WE TOOK THE PHARMACY AD--AND RAN TO SIGN UP

So Lou Fiorillo put in an advertisement for Senior Citizens this week, offering special rates especially on prescriptions.

When we learned that it doesn't cost anything, and we just had to make out an application form, we ran down there and signed up in a hurry.

Older folks use a lot of prescriptions. We sure can use special rates, and the Weidman Pharmacy is offering them.

Lou says that the prescriptions aren't the only break Seniors get from signing up; but we won't go into that. We'll let Lou tell you about it when you go in to get special rates on your next prescriptions.

BETTER THAN A LETTER



### THEY'LL PUT PLANS TOGETHER FOR WEIDMAN DAY--

An executive committee was chosen during the recent public meetings on plans for Weidman Day (July 10, Saturday, this year), and the three are beginning their hard work of organizing the work to be done. Above, left to right, are Bud Fredrickson (Bud's Party Store), Ed Fox (first president, Weidman Business Association and long-time member until retirement, retired Fire Chief, Nottawa and Sherman Volunteer Fire Department;) and Dick Touchinski, member, Nottawa and Sherman Volunteer Fire Department.

Messenger photo

### WEIDMAN FOLKS WORKING ON WEIDMAN DAY PLANS

At last week's Thursday night public meeting, many valuable suggestions were offered, and some volunteered their time and efforts at specific events.

Benn and Carol Johnson, for instance, volunteered to organize and supervise children's games; A children's fish-pond also was suggested, with 10-cent tickets to play.

Other suggested features included attempting to get Art Schrock's old-time threshing machine, clowns on the street, a dunking machine, music to be a jam session by non-professional bands, with special invitation to the old-time dance bands no longer active. Anyone interested in this act may call Bud's Store in Weidman to register band's name and sponsor.

Little League ball games will go on at Mitchell Memorial Park, as will also adult games.

Also suggested was a fortune-telling booth, a tug o' war, and a 50-50 raffle or some other sort

of raffle.

Also suggested was to the purchase, for resale, of Bicentennial Weidman Day buttons.

Folks from the Ojibwa Recreation Area offered plenty of picnic tables for a proposed dinner put on by committees.

Jim Damitio was named chairman for a barbecue chicken dinner, and Thayne Sides was put in charge of publicity.

The Weidman Business Association will provide an especially spectacular display of fireworks after dark that night.

The barbecue dinner committee is completely organized, with Jim Damitio chairman and Mick Schmalbach co-chairman.

Also on the coommittee are Harry Pung, Bud Fredrickson, Dallas McClain, Dan Wernette, Bob Bleise, Leon Schafer, Lee Schafer, Steve Straus, Dick Curtiss, Lou Fiorillo, Vern Miller, Dick Sexton, Doug McArthur, Warren Sprague, Pat Arsenault, Jim Radey, Whitey McCreight, and Bernie Riley.

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### DNR THREATENS TO DRAIN LAKE WEIDMAN IF SPILLWAY IS NOT COMPLETED EARLY

The Department of Natural Resources has notified land owners around Lake Weidman (the old Millpond) that it will drain the lake if the spillway, part of the original blueprints for the new dam, is not completed by July of this year.

The spillway, on the east shore, was definitely a part of the dam blueprint, but some steelwork was stolen from the site and the project was dropped at the time the dam was put in.

About \$5,000 is needed to put in the spillway, admittedly long overdue in construction; but nevertheless, there are many who would grieve to see the old pond (now a beautiful lake) a wasteland again as it once was.

The spillway must have 37 feet of eight-foot steel piling and 75 feet of four-inch, which is in now.

The spillway must have a total of 150 feet of available length for overflow of high waters in the lake.

Canisters have been placed in Weidman stores, in hopes that fishermen who still enjoy casting a line on the old Millpond may wish to contribute to the building of the spillway. Lake Weidman is in fact a private lake; but the land owners cheerfully allow fishermen from all over to use it for their accustomed sport of hauling in the big ones "from the Pond".

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### SWANS REST BRIEFLY ON AREA WATERS

Flocks of beautiful swans were sighted over the weekend on area waters, Thelma Simmer reporting the first, a hundred or so on one of her farm ponds.

Ruth Momany reported 150 or more swans on Lake Weidman Monday morning.

Flocks of swans also were sighted in Section 1 of Nottawa Township, and an egret was thought to be among the birds.

The big white birds were also reported at Coldwater Lake.

All the swans rested only briefly hereabouts, however, and were gone before noon Monday.

BETTER THAN A LETTER

**S. W. Sherman**  
Goldie Dutcher, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Dutcher and boys visited the Jim Dutchers Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher, Jr., and Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher, Sr., attended the wedding of Martha Blough and Daniel Cain of Grand Rapids Saturday afternoon at Saranac, and the reception afterward.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Remington and family of Saginaw spent Sunday afternoon with the Ervin Dutchers, Sr. They called on the Ervin Dutcher, Jr., family.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dutcher spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Owen of Midland.

Diane and Laurel Beutler attended a Church of God retreat with friends at Midland Friday afternoon and Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Beutler attended an Eastern Star reception at Fenton Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Dutcher and Patti, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dutcher and Rex and Dawn and Brian Dutcher visited the Jim Dutchers Sunday evening, helping Michael celebrate his second birthday.

The Dale Gatehouse family has been having the flu.

Harry Gatehouse saw his doctor last Monday, and had a shot.

Walter and Sally Howe spent Wednesday afternoon with us. Thursday Bob and Julia Dutcher

and Garry Dutcher had lunch with us. Joyce and Richard Yuncker were Friday visitors, and lunched with us. Friday evening Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dutcher and Mr. and Mrs. Garry Dutcher were callers. They enjoyed dinner in Wyman, celebrating Garry and Bonnie's anniversary.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Fitzgerald visited Mr. and Mrs. Harold Moose of Torch Lake and Kate Kuhlman of Traverse City last Tuesday. Wednesday, Carl and Grace and Dorothy Minkel of Mecosta visited Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Heckert of West Branch. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Decker of Barryton were Saturday visitors of the Fitzgeralds.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Howe and Joyce and Bobby spent Saturday evening with us. The Dale Dutchers were Saturday evening callers.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Dutcher and children had Sunday dinner with us. Mr. and Mrs. Roy Dutcher of Cadillac called on the Ervin and Clayton Dutchers last Monday afternoon.

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**Local Items**

Mr. and Mrs. Levi Brown of Farwell were Sunday dinner guests of the Bernard Pitts family. Mr. and Mrs. George Getchell and family were Monday evening supper guests. Darrel Pitts was home from Great Lakes Bible College in Lansing for the

weekend.

Ula Cummins and Helen Smith attended George and Peggy McClain's 50th Wedding Anniver-

sary party at Barryton a week ago Sunday.

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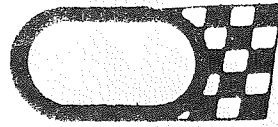
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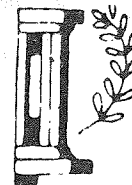
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March 25t3

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Mar. 25t3 p

WEIDMAN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
Last week Fr. Goodrow of Mt. Pleasant was speaker, and he discussed the relationship between the Episcopal and Methodist Churches, explaining also the meaning of Lent according to the Anglican Church.

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Floyd Hauck  
Ph. 644-2268  
Mar. 18t3p

COFFEE HOUR--The public is cordially invited to attend a coffee hour April 3, from 3.30 to 4.30 at the Mutual Savings Community Room, 319 East Broadway in Mt. Pleasant, in the building basement.  
THE COFFEE HOUR--Will be in honor of Thomas E. Brennan, Republican candidate for the office of United States Senator from this district, replacing Sen. Philip Hart. The hour is sponsored by Citizens for Tom Brennan. You're all welcome!

## Card of Thanks

We wish to express our deepest thanks to our children and their families, and to the great number of friends, neighbors and relatives who came to our Golden Anniversary party.  
The many gifts, cards and letters made the event one that we will never forget.  
Thanks so much, from both of us.  
George and Peggy McClain

WEIDMAN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
Rev. Athel Lynch, Pastor  
Next Sunday's special speaker at our church will be T. Allen Nichols, Dean of Students at Mid Michigan Community College at Harrison.  
Dedication of the renovated Sanctuary of the church will take place April 25.  
Attendance was up Sunday, to 97, from the usual winter low and the recent bad weather.  
BETTER THAN A LETTER

### LEGAL

## Notice

ANNUAL TOWNSHIP MEETING  
Notice is Hereby Given, that the Annual Township Meeting of the electors of the Township of Nottawa, County of Isabella, will be held at the Township Hall beginning at 1 o'clock p. m. Saturday, April 3, 1976.  
BERNARD RAU  
Nottawa Township Clerk  
Mar. 25-Apr. 1

### LEGAL

## Notice

ANNUAL TOWNSHIP MEETING  
Notice is Hereby Given, that the Annual Township Meeting of the electors of the Township of Sherman, County of Isabella, will be held at the Township Hall beginning at 2 o'clock p. m. Saturday, April 3, 1976.  
KEITH LOOMIS  
Sherman Township Clerk  
Apr. 1t1

Mr. and Mrs. George Neebes of Davison were Wednesday visitors of Mrs. Claribel Beutler. Mrs. Nina Forbes and Mrs. Dorothy Brien of Ithaca were Sunday afternoon callers.

## Card of Thanks

Words cannot say how we feel about the wonderful tributes paid to our Mom and Dad, George and Peggy, on their 50th Wedding Anniversary Open House.  
Many, many thanks to the friends, neighbors and relatives for the cards, money, gifts, and flowers, and for coming to visit with them on their "Special Day".

Thanks also to those who could not attend but called or had Mom and Dad in their thoughts and prayers, and to anyone who helped in any way.  
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OLD TIME MUSICIANS  
TO PLAY FOR WEIDMAN DAY  
Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Sprague and Mr. and Mrs. Spike Branson spent Sunday afternoon contacting old-time musicians for entertainment for Weidman Day. Among those contacted and promised for entertaining were Mr. and Mrs. Fay Forbes, Mr. and Mrs. Warren Leiter, George Beers, and Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Chaffee. All said they would be happy to play. Others will be contacted in the near future.

# THANK YOU

We at Weidman's Western Auto want to express our heartfelt thanks and appreciation for the wonderful participation by the public at our Grand Opening Days, and many, many thanks for the lovely plants and flowers from fellow merchants, and friends and relatives. You made our days. You made our Grand Opening a great success.

Here's a list of winners during our Grand Opening Days:  
Evelyn Denslow guessed the exact number of pennies in the crock, 8,226--and she won a 15.3-cubit foot freezer. Sandra Jackson won the bike.  
Other winners:  
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**BEAL CITY FFA TAKES HONORS AT STATE CONVENTION**

The Beal City FFA Chapter took significant honors at the State Convention on the campus of MSU March 24 through the 26th.

Nine students from the Beal City High School attended the convention, with six receiving their State FFA Degree.

They are Bob Engler, Tom Fox, Joe McDonald, Leo Pasch, Frank Engler, and Steve Gross.

Of that group, Bob Engler received his state degree as a Silver Award.

In contests in state finals, Bob Engler won the Silver Award in public speaking, Frank Engler won a Gold Award in Job Interview contests.

Delegates to the convention were efficient: Pete Gross and Geoff Brickner. Alternate was Kirk Hadley, who received recognition for his Chapter which

donated for the third year to the FFA Scholarship Fund.

The Chapter also received a certificate for 100% membership, and regional recognition in Building Our American Communities.

The Chippewa Hills High School Chapter, FFA, received First Place recognition in the latter category.

Students had a chance to meet Miss Michigan and also baseball great Al Kaline, and they toured the Farmers Week displays.

**WE HAD HAIL, NO TORNADOES**

Tuesday afternoon's storm front that sent two tornadoes down in the West Branch area only gave the west-northwest part of our area high winds and hail as big as quarters.

Hail hit the Chippewa Hills High School building, and many students thought it was a tornado. Hail as big as quarters pelted Coldwater Township and areas west. ---0---

**Brinton News**

Frances Beck, Reporter

Wanda Haenke spent last week Tuesday with her mother, Irene Bowen. Irene, Joyce Geasler, Eunice La Londe and I helped her tie a comforter during the

day.

Fern Verette and Eathel Beers were in Remus Friday, where Eathel called on her doctor.

Mr. and Mrs. Ken Baker did some shopping and called on their son, John Baker, and family, in Grand Rapids Thursday.

Fern Verette and Echo Godwin were in Big Rapids Wednesday. Fern and her mother, Eathel Beers, called on her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Doug Godwin, Sunday, and found their young son, Nick, entertaining the chicken pox.

Lewis Bowen attended a Federal Land Bank meeting at Clare one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Bailer were in Coleman Saturday evening.

A large crowd attended the wedding shower for Mr. and Mrs. Tom Loomis at the Brinton Hall Saturday evening.

Ruth Teeter and family of Clare spent Sunday with Grandma Teeter. ---0---

Mr. and Mrs. Spike Branson and family spent Sunday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Bill Wilcox and family.

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## Beal City

Dora Smith, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Schafer of Shepherd spent Sunday afternoon with Louise Schafer. Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Schafer and family of Mt. Pleasant were callers. John and Gertrude Schafer were also callers.

Tillie Schafer spent Sunday with the Ed Schafers at Coldwater Lake.

Jo Ann Schafer is in CMC Hospital.

Albert Tilmann also is in the Mt. Pleasant Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Tilmann and Mr. and Mrs. Donald Tilmann drove to Cadillac Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Gross, Jack Schafer, Mike Gross and Matie Pung went to Portland Thursday.

Mr. O'Neil is building a new house on West Beal City Road.

Mrs. Frances Geholz and Mrs. Leroy Geholz of Lansing visited Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Keiffer one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Keiffer made a trip to Westphalia, stopping in Hubbardston to see Al Cashen and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Hauck and daughter, Mrs. Bob Lyon and family, Mrs. Tom Schumacher and family and Mrs. Gary Schumacher and family were callers at the Julius Bierschbach home last week.

Bill and Aynne Barz returned March 14 from a week's vacation at St. Thomas in the Virgin Isles. They said they had a grand time, and enjoyed the trip immensely.

Kathy Pung and Theresa Smith spent Friday night with Dora Smith in her home.

Paul Pung was the guest of Danny Block on his birthday, March 25.

Callers of Dora Smith Sunday afternoon included Buck and Kathy Smith of Lansing, Bob Blasen, Marie Rahl, Kitty Gross, Theresa Smith, Kathy Pung, Don Gould, and Scotty Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. Allie Schumacher and Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Schafer spent Wednesday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Julius Bierschbach.

Scotty Smith, son of Mr. and Mrs. Buck Smith of Lansing, is spending the week with Mr. and Mrs. Bob Blasen and Theresa.

The Beal City High School baseball team is sponsoring their annual spaghetti supper this week Thursday, April 1, from 5 to 8 p.m. in the school cafeteria. Adults and Junior High, \$2, elementary kids \$1, and pre-schoolers free.

David Michael Pung, son of Tom and Gloria Pung, was baptized at St. Joseph the Worker's Church here Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lavern Yuncker entertained their club Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Schafer and family of Big Rapids spent Saturday and Sunday with the Lavern Yuncker family.

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## Coldwater Lake

Beryl Beck, Reporter

PLAN TO ATTEND TOWNSHIP MEETING TO GET ROAD AROUND LAKE REPAIRED

The residents of Coldwater Lake are being urged to attend the annual Township Meeting Saturday, April 3, at 1 o'clock p.m., at the Nottawa Township Hall, to vote on doing something about the road that runs from the County Park to Jordan Road. This road is very poorly maintained, and

needs to be brought to the attention of our township officials.

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Spring came to the lake this past week. We lost our ice on the lake Saturday. The previous Sunday we saw several men ice fishing. This is the first year since we've lived on the lake that the ice went out in March. Monday there were several dozen ducks floating by. Swans have been observed on the north end of the lake.

Callers at the Frank Huguélet home the past week were Mr. and Mrs. Ed Wawersik, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Ludwig, Robert Glover, Mr. and Mrs. Al Klumpp, and Mr. and Mrs. Steve Galgoci.

Mr. and Mrs. Scott Frear have returned home after flying to Florida for a two weeks' vacation in the sun.

Glenn and Gladys Brown entertained all their children and their families Sunday afternoon.

Our electric power was off for several hours Saturday afternoon after a tree limb fell on a power line on the south side of the lake. Consumers Power Company had it fixed and back on in a very short time.

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BETTER THAN A LETTER

## they're married

Mr. and Mrs. Deb Scott of Yucaipa, Calif., and Mr. and Mrs. Andy Beck of Coldwater Lake announce the marriage of their daughter and son, Sheri Scott and Jerome Beck.

The marriage took place March 29 in Yucaipa, Calif.

They were attended by Carol Westerlin of Yucaipa and Dale Wayne Sandel of Mt. Pleasant.

The newlyweds will be returning to Michigan the early part of April.

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### NEWS NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Touchinski and girls met Mrs. Edith Touchinski in Grand Rapids Monday evening. Edith flew in from Denver, Colo., where she spent the winter.

Mrs. Helen Smith's birthday was March 10, and Larry Cummins' youngest boy was a year old March 22. A week ago Sunday, Larry and wife and two boys and Judy, Garth and Pam Lawrence were birthday dinner guests of Ula Cummins and Helen Smith.

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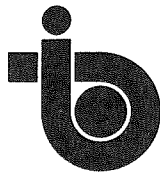
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Ruth Yabs, Reporter

It was good to get home Friday, after spending the week in Lansing again, caring for the Stephensons. My sister Faye got the flu, and invalid brother-in-law got pneumonia. We took him to the hospital. When I left, both were improving. But Saturday we both went back for the weekend, as there was a Legion dinner Saturday night and business to attend to Monday morning.

Mrs. Krauss reports Ted is slowly improving, with the help of daily therapy. Keep your chin up, Ted!

Guests at the Guerin home Saturday, March 20, were Bob Farnum's brother, Bill, and wife, Betty, from Flint. They were all delighted to have the family for a visit.

Gale and Ruth Francisco have returned from Florida, also the Myers are back, I'm told. Sorry I've not been able to get a report of their winter activities, because of being in Lansing.

Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lee VandeMark were their son and wife, Alan VandeMark, of Alma. They also visited their granddaughter and husband, Bud Petterman, and new great-grandson. The VandeMarks now have seven great-grandchildren.

Mr. and Mrs. VandeMark were dinner guests of Mrs. VandeMark's son and wife, the Marvin Dobies of St. Louis, Wednesday. It was the Dobies' 25th anniversary. Mrs. Dobie's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Leach, of Ellwell, were also dinner guests.

The VandeMarks also attended the surprise party for the Dobies Saturday evening, March 27, given by their two daughters, Phyllis Davila and Pamela Dobie of Mt. Pleasant, in honor of their 25th anniversary. They had a three-tiered wedding cake, and lots of goodies to eat. About a hundred guests were present.

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## North Weidman

Elvah Gott, Reporter

Mrs. Mercel Graham helped me tie a quilt at Wanda Graham's home last Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Gott spent Thursday with Mr. and Mrs. Dick Gott. Their girls, Linda and Ruthie, were home. We visited our doctor Friday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Gott called on us Sunday evening.

Mrs. Zena Olger spent Saturday over night with her sister, Sylvia Riggs, and husband, Sim.

Mr. and Mrs. Julius Allbee, Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Allbee and Mrs. Dora Widman and Sylvia Riggs had a birthday party Saturday for her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Agle, of Farwell.

Mrs. Laura Latham attended a birthday party for her sister, Rosie

Leiter, at Riverview Apartments in Mt. Pleasant, Saturday.

Mrs. Carol Abbott and Mrs. Muriel Miller were in Midland on business Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Wright and Mr. and Mrs. Max Aldrich were in Traverse City on business one day last week.

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## NEWS NOTES

Baby Gwen Marie Riley, granddaughter of Louise Riley and Mr. and Mrs. Spike Branson, returned home from the hospital late Saturday afternoon. She was reported doing very well.

Mrs. Dorothy Brien of Ithaca spent Sunday with Mrs. Nina Forbes. Margaret Mullett spent Thursday night with her.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene McArthur attended a party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jack McConnell Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell McArthur spent Friday evening with Mr. and Mrs. George Wilson and family at Stanton. They were Saturday evening dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Gary McArthur and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Wilson were Saturday visitors of their sister, Margaret Mullett. They visited their son-in-law and

daughter, Jim and Ilah Snyder, at St. Louis, last week. They also called on Marilyn and Jack Powers.

Lillian Johnston spent last Monday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Emil Phillips. Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Crosby and his mother of Edenville were Friday visitors. Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Brenay and Frank Durham of Bay City were

Sunday guests.

Roger Smith of Flint and his two boys called on Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Smith, grandparents and great-grandparents, Saturday morning. Mr. and Mrs. Russell Wilson, Marge Mullett and Nina Forbes spent Saturday afternoon with Clayton and Clara.

Roy Adams was back in the Cadillac Hospital this week, for tests.

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Goldie Dutcher, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Dutcher of Breckenridge, formerly of Weidman, will be celebrating their Golden Anniversary April 11, at the First Church of God in St. Louis, hosted by their children and their families.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Beutler attended the funeral of Fred Kundinger at Sebewaing Thursday afternoon.

Laura VanderSys visited Sandra Dutcher Saturday.

Dan Hines and Bob Hogg visited Steve Dutcher Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Dutcher and children visited Mr. and Mrs. Tom Fyke and baby, Mary Ann, Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hardenburgh of Pierson spent Sunday with her father, Emery Dell.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Wernette of Greenville visited the Brian Dutchers Friday, and Sunday. Ed and Brian called on the Ervin Dutchers, Jr., Sunday afternoon. Brian and Linda and sons called on them Sunday evening.

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**Around Horr**

Jessie Rosencrantz, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Oplinger attended an NFO meeting at Grand Ledge Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Carr of Lansing were Saturday callers at the Oplinger home.

Mrs. Nettie Lawrence called on her sister, Mrs. Myrl Scott, Saturday, and called on Mr. and Mrs. Dale Graber on the way home.

Mr. and Mrs. Pat Carroll of Mt. Pleasant were Sunday callers at the Joe Martin home.

Jim Strong and Miss Shirley Fox were Sunday callers at the Jim Thompson home.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Denslow and family and Mrs. Joyce Chaffee spent Sunday with their folks, the Mack Denslows.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Kirvan were Friday evening guests at the Elwood Miller home. Mr. and Mrs. Gerry Dent were Thursday evening callers.

Mrs. Dale Merrihew and two children, Mrs. Betty Merrihew, Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Owens and Mr. and Mrs. Dick Touchinski and girls and George Miller were Sunday dinner guests at the Miller home.

Mrs. Pete Wood took her grandson, D.J. Whitman, who spent Saturday and Sunday with his grandparents, home Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Mills and Michael Wood were Sunday guests at the Wood home.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Fahnestock were Sunday afternoon and evening guests at the Charles Fahnestock home.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Dent called on her mother, Mrs. Emily Wood, Friday, and in the even-

ing they attended the wedding of their niece, Miss Nancy Kirvan, at Rockford.

Mr. and Mrs. Chuck Roberts and Toni and Judy of Lansing spent the weekend with her folks, the Gerry Dents. Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Johnson and children and Mrs. Linda Krueger and children were Sunday guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Dutcher and Tracy White were Monday callers at the Charlie Losey home. Mr. and Mrs. Harold Losey and Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Bryan were Tuesday callers. Mr. and Mrs. Theron Merrihew, Mr. and Mrs. Alva Cummins, Mrs. Alma White and Gerald Losey were Sunday afternoon callers.

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**West Gilmore**

Lena Cole, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Pfannes of Harrison spent Sunday with his brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Sebastian Pfannes.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Cole of Detroit are spending a few days at their farm.

Mrs. Ben Dean spent last Tuesday with her sister, Mrs. Larry Straus.

Gwen and Ernestine called at the home of the Paul Coles last Tuesday. They wanted to see their cousin they had never met, Mrs. Leona Baker of Chase, who was a dinner guest of the Coles. We all enjoyed the large family Bible Leona had handed down to her, from the other side of the house, and had lots of cards and news items in it, from my side of the house. I knew the people in the pictures, and the girls were glad to hear about them.

Mr. and Mrs. Sebastian Pfannes spent a couple of days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Walters, at Houghton Lake. Her father remained very ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Bawkey of Muskegon visited their aunt, Mrs. Anna Hamner, at Pleasant Manor, Wednesday. They found Anna doing much better. The Bawkeys were dinner guests of the Paul Coles that day. Other callers were Mr. and Mrs. Julius Allbee, Miss Beulah Wixsom, and Miss Ruth Border.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Cole called on their uncle and aunt, the Paul Coles, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Shaner are the proud parents of a seven-pound, 12-ounce baby boy, born March 25 at CMC Hospital. Mrs. Coranna Shaner is the proud grandmother.

Mr. and Mrs. Tony Masiwchuk attended the funeral of a friend near Kalamazoo the first of the week.

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**NEWS NOTES**

Betty Merrihew, Patty Merrihew and two children of Clio were Sunday visitors of the Richard Touchinski family.

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## WEIDMAN DAY

(Continued from Page 1)

Evelyn Hackney will be in charge of the "potato crew", to prepare baked potatoes for the meal.

Weidman Day this year is being planned to be as old-fashioned as possible, with homecoming the main attraction. It's hoped that all our neighbors hereabouts, and all our old-timers now living elsewhere will come in and say "Hello!" to the old town again on Weidman Day.

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## REV. AND MRS. LYNCH JOIN FARMERS IN LANSING MARCH

Rev. and Mrs. Athel Lynch joined area farmers in the recent march on Lansing to protest the lag in settling PBB damage claims by farmers, and to also protest the continued appearance of the poison in meat and dairy products still on the market.

Their participation was greatly appreciated by farmers, although their protest apparently did not reach the eyes and ears of the governor or our representative in the Legislature, Johnny Engler.

The PBB poison situation is a serious one for everyone, from the stricken farmer to consumers of farm products of all kinds.

Hilda Green of Chase, Mich., one of the leaders of the farmers' protest meeting, is a sister of Mrs. Lynch, part owner of a "million-dollar farm setup" that was destroyed by the Farm Bureau feed disaster.

The Greens have a 15-year-old son badly affected by what they believe are effects of PBB poisoning. He was an athletic boy in school, and now suffers liver damage and other illnesses, and is barred from all athletic activities. The Greens' farm is a total loss, so far as livestock is concerned, Mrs. Lynch told the Messenger.

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## METHODIST PARSONAGE WILL BE BUILT ON LAKE WEIDMAN

A new Methodist parsonage will be built on two lots sold to the church by George McClain, Jr., on the north bank of Lake Weidman. It will be located between the Ed Fox home and Joe Ptak's.

The church congregation voted its approval of over-all plans for the new parsonage, and the sale of two other houses the church owns.

The two houses are the Blanche Cliff homestead on the Coldwater River, and the Ina Gillette House on Fourth Street. The present parsonage is in the process of being sold, it was announced this week.

The church charge conference voted 2 to 1 to approve plans for purchase of the lake lots, Nos. 61 and 62, and for the construction of a \$45,000 home (includ-

ing the lots) for the parsonage.

A further meeting was scheduled this Tuesday evening to let bids for the building of the new parsonage.

The new parsonage will contain three bedrooms, with a fourth possible (Rev. Lynch says he's planning his study and closet-space so that future ministers of the Methodist Church can use it for a fourth bedroom if desired).

The new parsonage will be a long ranch-style house, with windows planned so it will be "open" to the lake view from front to back. It will have a living room, formal dining room, kitchen, and bedrooms on the ground floor, with two and a half baths.

The walk-in basement will house two cars.

Over all, the house will have an 84-foot front facing the lake. It will be basically of wood con-

struction, with aluminum siding. The basement, besides housing a couple of cars, will contain a rec room for meetings, etc.

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## PHARMACY BOWLERS WIN HIGH SERIES, HIGH GAME

The Weidman-based bowling team of Weidman Pharmacy won high series and high game in the Blue section at Mt. Pleasant March 18.

Besides other players mentioned in a recent photo-writeup, Ula Cummins is sub for the team, a valuable member.

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## McCLAIN CHILDREN PARTY THEIR PARENTS

The children of George and Peggy McClain of Barryton gave them a pre-Golden Wedding Day party Saturday evening before the reception at Barryton, with all the grandchildren present as well as the children.

George and Peggy enjoyed the

evening at the Coldwater Lake Inn Saturday night, and they received many lovely gifts from the children and grandchildren.

The only grandchild not present for the Anniversary celebrations was Paula Archer, daughter of Bud and Lois Hines, who is married to Lieut. Bruce Archer and is with the NATO forces in Izmar, Turkey. Lieut. Archer is an engineer, working with the Turkish military. They have a daughter, Jennie, three years old.

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## NEWS NOTES

Mrs. Helen Smith has an amaryllis that is 27 inches tall and has four beautiful pink and white blossoms. This is the fourth year the plant has bloomed for Mrs. Smith.

Titus Sanders won a nice television set at the Home Builders Show in Mt. Pleasant.



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