

WEIDMAN DAY SATURDAY,
JULY 10
FOREST HILL SCHOOL
REUNION SUNDAY, JULY 11

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Editor's Column

By Connie

WE DO NOT TAKE OUR VACATION THE FIRST OF JULY

This year, for the first time, the Messenger staff is not taking the first week in July as vacation time (one week).

With Weidman Day coming July 10, we feel the Messenger should continue to print all the news as it develops, especially pertaining to the big event. up to the day itself; and then the week after we'll have oodles of photos (we hope) to print in a sort of special issue.

We hope to have pictorial sequences of most activities and events during the big day and night.

So--to our faithful news writers and others who help get out the paper each week, there'll be no vacation the first week of July, nor the second, nor the third.

We plan to skip the issue of July 22, coming back on the job for the July 29 issue.

So--get ready for the Big Day here: Weidman Day, July 10.

WEIDMAN SCHOOL FOREST: A TACTICAL BLUNDER?

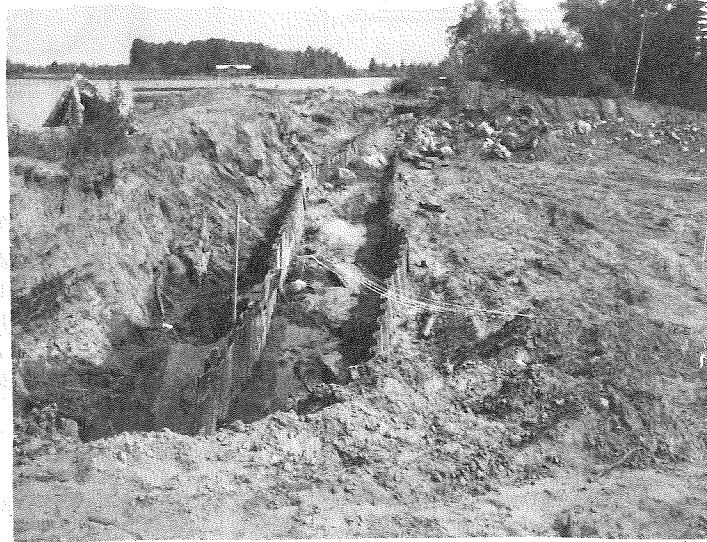
This paper can not understand the Chippewa Hills School Board's stance on the question of cleaning up the debris in the Weidman School FFA Forest--and at a Board meeting just before election, with a three-mill extra tax proposal on the ballot.

The problem of the Weidman School forest is a relatively small one: Just get that crap out of there, and remove trees half-uprooted by the big machines of the pulp-cutter last winter.

Seems like a small thing for the Board to do.

Instead, the Board stood with Ag teacher Dan Latendresse in insisting that the forest is correctly presented to us at this moment, it is no fire hazard to homes nearby, and the debris and half-fallen trees are normal

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WORK PROGRESSES ON LAKE WEIDMAN SPILLWAY--This is how the project looked Saturday morning. There are two rows of steel piling there, one eight feet deep and one four feet deep, which will be covered with rip-rap (stones) and the whole area leveled off, sloping both toward the lake and also toward the drop-off to the county drain, and this will act as an emergency spillway if the dam should become overloaded in flood times.
Messenger photo

ELECTION UNOFFICIAL RETURNS from Chippewa Hills School District:

All three millage proposals were turned down by substantial margins in all precincts in Monday's voting.

Proposition 1, 1 mill for operation, had a total of Yes 644, No 1,385.

Proposition 2, 1 mill for maintenance, had a total of Yes 675, No 1,354.

Proposition 3, for transportation, 1 mill, had a total of Yes 617, No 1,416.

Herb Serum of Lake Isabella, Isabella County, is the new Board member.

CHIPPEWA HILLS SCHOOL DISTRICT VOTE BY PRECINCTS

Here are the figures (unofficial as of Tuesday morning) of the results of Monday's voting in the Chippewa Hills School District:

Candidates for one seat on the School Board, vacated by Lou Fiorillo, appointed to the Board but declining to run for election:
John Carson: Barryton 39 votes,

Mecosta 70, Remus 56, Weidman 79.

Clyde Clark: Barryton 132, Mecosta 72, Remus 81, Weidman 64.

Raymond Freeze: Barryton 25, Mecosta 44, Remus 38, Weidman 74.

Herb Serum: Barryton 126, Mecosta 140, Remus 132, Weidman 252.

Mitchell Leiter: Barryton 39, Mecosta 140, Remus 220,

Weidman 80.

On Proposition 1, 1 mill extra for school operation: Barryton Yes 133, No 254, Mecosta, Yes 108, No 385. Remus Yes 161, No. 404. Weidman Yes 242, No 342.

Proposition 2, 1 mill extra for maintenance: Barryton Yes 142, No 367. Mecosta Yes 124, No 367. Remus Yes 157, No 404. Weidman Yes 252, No 335.

Proposition 3, 1 mill extra for transportation: Barryton Yes 131, No 258. Mecosta Yes 106, No 389. Remus Yes 147, No 417. Weidman Yes 233, No 352.

There were 150 spoiled ballots throughout the district, doubtless due to the fact of four separate ballots to vote on.

The Weidman precinct turned out the largest number of voters of any in the district; that is, Weidman area folks turned out in greater numbers than the people in Remus, Barryton or Mecosta.

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WEIDMAN FIRE DEPARTMENT PHONES MALFUNCTIONING

Complaints that "the Weidman Firemen won't respond till the second call" have been coming in, and the five telephones allotted to key Firemen are being investigated by the telephone company, it was reported Tuesday.

Reports of several calls lately detail "nobody on the line," or "couldn't hear a word they were saying".

Fire Chief Spike Branson put in a service complaint Tuesday morning, and the telephone company was expected to respond pronto.

Meanwhile, he suggested that anyone having trouble getting the Fire Department on the first call, to telephone the Sheriff's office at Mt. Pleasant, tel. 772-5911, and the call will be relayed by the Sheriff Department's radio.

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Mr. and Mrs. Gary Gatehouse took Mr. and Mrs. Fred Wilcox for a nice ride to Clare and Farwell on our cool Monday morning, this week.

BOB SMITH'S SON IS NAMED ROOKIE OF THE YEAR

In American Little League action in Ypsilanti, Paul Smith, 11, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert (Bob) Smith, was the complete player for the Tigers, who beat the Red Sox, 9-1.

Young Paul pitched a 4-hitter game and struck out nine batters on the pitching side.

He also held the Tigers' attack at the plate, with three hits.

He was voted "Rookie of the Year," last year.

--Ypsilanti Press

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Mrs. Ula Cummins called on Mr. and Mrs. Alva Cummins Friday evening.

In the Editor's Mail

Dear Connie,

Am enclosing \$8 for another year's subscription to the Weidman Messenger.

Hope you are feeling better, and have carpenter work nearly done.

I have been having a rough time with bronchitis, had to make a call special at the doctor's office last week. Seems as if it's hard to shake off.

And to make things worse, my son-in-law is trying to paint our big house on his days off.

Hope luck will happen soon and also will drop by your way,

so will say, So long.

Same as ever,
Clara B. Grewett
Mt. Pleasant

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Dear Connie,

We received a very pleasant surprise in the mail last Thursday. It was a gift certificate for a one-year subscription to National Geographic World. It will be an excellent addition to our library.

This generous contribution is a further indication of your concern for and interest in the

young people of our community.

On behalf of the students and staff, I would like to thank you for the fine gift.

Sincerely

Harry Howard
Principal, Weidman School

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Mr. and Mrs. Gary McArthur and children attended a surprise anniversary party Sunday for Ronnie and Bonnie Sprague, at the R. D. Sprague home.

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B-I-N-G-O

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3-76-tf

FLEA MARKET--Every Saturday at Broomfield Grange Hall, corner M-20 and Coldwater Road. Lunch served 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. June 3tf

FOR SALE--Two ducks, white Peking, Easter hatched. Tel. 644-2088, Mrs. Paul Cole, W. Coleman Road. June 3tf

THIS WEEK ONLY--One-cent Sale on all Big, Big Tomato plants. 35¢ each, an extra one for a penny; 3 for a dollar, 3 more for 3 cents (plus sales tax). The Flower Shop, West Airline Road, Weidman, ph. 644-3941 Where Beautiful Things Come From. June 17t1

RESPONSIBLE COUPLE--With three children desires three-bedroom home with barn. To rent or with option. House was sold, must be moved by July 20. Ph. Clare, 386-2078. June 17t2

BETTER THAN A LETTER

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Notice

Commercial or residential installations, including trailers, must have building permits from James Theisen, Building Inspector. Ph. 644-2161.
 (Signed)
 Nottawa, Sherman and Coldwater Townships Building Code Authority.
 June 17tf

YARD SALE--June 18 and 19, 9.30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Clothes, dishes, antiques, old magazines, davenport and chair and other furniture; children's books, toys, and other things. 2 1/2 miles north of Weidman, 5 1/2 miles west and 1/2 mile south. June 17t1

GARAGE SALE--June 17 and 18 at 6330 West Main, Weidman. Dishes, toys, clothes, some furniture. June 17t1

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WORK WANTED--Roof coating on trailers, and other jobs. Louis Gyurnek, Sumner R1, tel. 463-2656. June 17t1p

WEIDMAN BEAUTY SHOP--Now open on Tuesdays. Call 644-2100 or 644-3683 for appointment. Men's and boys' hair shaped and styled. June 10t3

BAKE SALE--July 3, at Western Auto Store in Weidman, to help finance Weidman Day. Needed are Weidman and area women to donate baked goods of all kinds. Wives of WBA members are expected to furnish at these sales. Friends of the town, and town residents, are asked to take something baked to the sale. It's for us, the Weidman area people--it's for Weidman Day! For further information call Wanda Graham, tel. 6440-2170, or Joan Burden, tel. 644-3682, or Phyllis Sides, tel. 644-3595 3595. Let's put on a bake sale!
 June 10tf

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 June 10tf

Obituary

FERN BROWN
 Mrs. Fern Brown of 11702 Twin Lake Road, Brinton, died suddenly at her home Friday, June 11. She was 60.
 She was born June 4, 1916, in Garfield Township, Clare County, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Erwin Andrews.

She was married to Harry Brown June 4, 1933, at Lake Station.
 She is survived by her husband, Harry; two sons, Elwood of Lake and Arthur of Jackson; four sisters, Mrs. Hazel Sorenson, Mrs. Martha DeCamp and Mrs. Pearl Jensen, all of Grand Rapids; and Miss Ethel Andrews of Traverse City.

Funeral services were held Monday, June 14, at 1 p.m. at the Coker Funeral Home in Farwell, with Elder Leo Higgins officiating. Interment was in the North Brinton Cemetery. Her family have the sympathy of their many friends.
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Obituary

FRANK BALLARD
 Frank E. Ballard of Winn died June 10 at Gratiot Community Hospital, after a long illness. He was born May 23, 1899, in Two Rivers, and spent most of his life in that area.
 He married Carrie Case in 1920 at the Weidman Methodist Church.
 He was a tool and die worker at General Motors in Pontiac for

25 years, retiring in 1964. He also was employed for a time with the Isabella County Road Commission.

He is survived by his wife, Carrie; sons Bernard and Harold of Midland, Dale of Pontiac, Richard of Fostoria, and Frank of Shepherd; daughters Mrs. Maurice (Bonnie) Chubb and Mrs. Boyd (Carol) Smith, both of Winn; 35 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren;

Also brothers Bruce of Hesperia, Leonard and Ray of Pontiac, and Russell of Texas; and sisters Mrs. Bessie Spitzbergen of Tennessee, Mrs. Bertha Sullivan of New York and Mrs. Mary Bretz of DeWitt.

Sons Jack and Donald preceded him in death.

Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. Sunday at the Stinson Funeral Home in Mt. Pleasant with Rev. Kathy Nickerson officiating. Interment was in Union Cemetery at Winn.
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RAIN!--IT'S WONDERFUL

The Weidman area and its surrounding townships got their first drop of rain Tuesday afternoon, the first they've had since May 31.

We have been in a real drouth, and while we were under "heavy thunder storms and tornado" watch according to radio, we're thankful for the rain--at last.
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BARN HIT BY LIGHTNING, BURNS TO GROUND

A barn on the farm of George Kline, a half mile north of Brinton and a half mile west, on Beck Road, burned to the ground Tuesday afternoon after being struck by lightning in a heavy thunder storm that raked this area.

The Nottawa and Sherman Volunteer Fire Department was called, and drove through blinding rain and were delayed a few minutes by a couple of stalled cars on the road.

The call came in at 2.45 p.m. and the Firemen arrived on the scene at 3.
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NEWS NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. Ollie Strong of Sheridan Township and his sister, Hazel Adams, of Auburn Heights, visited Mrs. Ethel Bywater Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Embrey entertained Lloyd and Beatrice Embrey of School Section Lake and Marguerite Troyk of Mancelona, Sunday afternoon. They are cousins of Carl.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Brien of Mt. Pleasant were Sunday luncheon guests of Mrs. Nina Forbes. They all called on Mr. and Mrs. Martin Boger later.

Mr. and Mrs. James Neubecker and family of Lansing were Sunday visitors of his mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Neubecker.



"THINNED RIGHT, A GOOD JOB" --Is what a letter from the State Conservation Department apparently said, as presented by Dan Latendresse at a school board meeting last week. The Weidman School Forest has been a subject of heated controversy ever since pulp-cutters went through it last winter. The Mt. Pleasant Times-News said that a letter from the forestry department (State?) said the debris as shown in these photos was acceptable and necessary. The Chippewa Hills Courier said, "Weidman area residents...are upset with the debris left in the school forest following tree thinning. The Board, having received a procedural blessing of the DNR and the agriculture advisory board, is waiting to hear from the state fire marshal before they take any action."

Messenger photo

In the Editor's Mail

Dear Connie,

It's about that time again. I liked your picture in the paper. Could only see the side of your head, but it looked like you.

Our weather out here has been a bit of this and that, cool, damp, and warm, but not too warm.

I agree with you about the school forest. Whoever thinned the trees out was a real jerk.

My husband and son, Bob, helped to plant the first trees, and it makes me feel badly to see them

destroyed so.

Take care.

Yrs ever,

Dollie Bower
Sylmar City
Calif.

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NEWS NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Middlesworth have sold their home in Bradenton, Florida, and have bought the Dick Donley (Karen Middlesworth) home on Third Street in Weidman. Jerry and Eva say they are in Michigan to stay, after enjoying several years of Florida residence. The Donley family has moved to Lake Isabella.

S. W. Sherman

Goldie Dutcher, Reporter

Mrs. Bonnie Dutcher and children attended Open House Sunday at Montague for a nephew. They spent the night there.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hardenburgh attended the wedding of a nephew, Michael Hardenburgh, and Linda Marrow, Saturday, at Cedar Springs.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hardenburgh and Jim and Connie and Ernie Dell of Hastings visited Emory Dell Sunday.

Eddie Oplinger, Sandra and Steve Dutcher attended the wedding reception for Roddy Thompson and his bride Friday night at Beal City. Butch Hardenburgh called on Steve one afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Dell of Littlefield Lake were recent visitors of Emory Dell.

Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher had dinner in Wyman Sunday, then visited Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Kohl of Lakeview.

Mr. and Mrs. Bud Hines took Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher, Sr., to visit Robert Hines at the Soldiers' Home in Grand Rapids Sunday.

The Ervin Dutchers visited Pearl and Lawrence Dell of Littlefield Lake Friday evening. Lawrence had been sick for a while.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Beutler and family were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. James Beutler and family of Rosebush.

Diane Beutler is spending this week at the Girl Scout Camp in Mt. Pleasant.

Barry Babcock of Farwell visit-

ed Steve Dutcher Monday.

Sandra Dutcher attended a bridal shower for Annette Davis Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Bieske of Alma and Henry and Norma Winesburgh were Sunday afternoon callers of the Clayton Dutchers.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Yuncker and Keith, Deanna and Danelle were evening callers of the Dutchers.

Garry Dutcher had dinner with us. The Robert Dutchers were Sunday callers. Hattie Losey was a Saturday caller.

Ervin Dutcher, Sr., and Bill Lumbert of Six Lakes visited Emory Dell one afternoon the past week.

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Local Items

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Smith and new baby of Sandusky, Ohio, called on his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Smith, Saturday evening to show them their new great-grandson. Grandpa Smith of Mt. Pleasant accompanied them. Jim is being transferred to Muskegon, starting this Monday morning. In November he expects to go to Traverse City, in the K Mart Store.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald McArthur of Wixom were Sunday guests of his brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell McArthur. A family get-together was enjoyed. Gerald and Helen are moving to California, where he has new employment. Helen has retired as a school teacher, and the two will now make their home in California.

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Beal City

Dora Smith, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Gruss and family and Mr. and Mrs. Michael O'Connor of Lansing were guests of the ladies' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Schmidt.

MARRIED IN EAST LANSING

Margie Schafer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Schafer, was married to Don Dawkins at St. Thomas Aquinas Church in East Lansing Saturday afternoon.

A sit-down dinner and dance followed the ceremony, and was held at Long's Restaurant.

Guests were present from Niles, Columbus, O., Fenley, O., Grand Rapids, Detroit, Beal City, Chicago, Flint, and Lansing.

The happy couple will make their home in Florida after a six-weeks' trip through Scotland.

Dora Smith entertained Sister Aminia, Mrs. Sonny Thelen and Mrs. Marie Rahl, last Tuesday.

Mrs. Aloysius Andres called on Mr. and Mrs. Tony Tilmann last Thursday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Smith of Mt. Pleasant visited Dora Smith and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gould Saturday.

John Teeples of Mt. Pleasant spent Monday night with Brian Gould of Beal City.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gould entertained Gertrude Grodski, Mr. and Mrs. Bernie Bierschbach and family, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Rau, Ginny Rau and Dora Smith, Sunday.

The children of Louise Schafer celebrated her birthday at Orie Farmer's Sunday.

A number from here attended the funeral of Lucile Huguelet Thursday.

Tillie Schafer spent Sunday at the Bob Schafer home.

Milo and Ann Eldred spent Friday evening with Tillie Schafer.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Smith and family spent the weekend with Irene Smith and Mr. and Mrs. John Smith and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Yuncker hosted a graduation party Sunday for their daughter, Cindy.

The Beal City Bicentennial Committee held a kick-off dance Saturday night at the K.C. Hall.

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NEWS NOTES

Mrs. Ruth Blesch and Mrs. Jo Alkofer of Barryton were Sunday callers of Mrs. Emma Middlesworth.

Mr. and Mrs. Spike Branson and family attended Open House for Greg Parker, son of the Lee Parkers, Sunday, at his home. They also attended a surprise anniversary party for Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Sprague, Sunday.

BETTER THAN A LETTER

Coldwater Lake

Beryl Beck, Reporter

Mrs. Jo Allen is in the Alma Hospital, suffering from pneumonia. We wish her a speedy recovery.

Miss Margaret McKenzie has returned to spend the summer at her cottage next door to Frank and Alice Dorr.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Dorr spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Haas at Hemlock.

Mr. and Mrs. Andy Beck attended an Open House Saturday for their granddaughter, Anita McCarty, who graduated from Rochester High School last Wednesday. They also visited the Gerry Becks in Lansing, and the Ken Kavanaughs in Lathrup Village. They returned home Sunday.

Mrs. Adny Beck and Mrs. Jerome Beck attended the Women of the Moose meeting in Mt. Pleasant Tuesday evening. Sherry was enrolled as a new co-worker.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Shelp and granddaughter, Sara, spent the weekend here.

Glenn Kemmis, who has spent the past 10 days with his brother, Phil, and family at Mio, came home Sunday. He reports a very enjoyable trip into Canada while he was gone.

Danny and Kirk Womack are spending this week with their uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Gerry Mitchell, and children.

Mr. and Mrs. Andy Beck were among the many who attended Memorial services for Mrs. Frank (Lucile) Huguelet last Wednesday evening, and her funeral service Thursday. She will be sadly missed by us all.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Garber of Shepherd and Mr. and Mrs. Chuck Ludwig spent from Friday till Sunday in Flint, and attended an Open House for their nephew, Scott Shephard, who graduated last week.

Mrs. Darrell Parks and son, Joll, and Mrs. Wm. Thering and son, Mark, spent Wednesday with Mr. and Mrs. Andy Beck and Mrs. Jerome Beck.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Schneider and family spent the weekend in Lansing and Charlotte.

Mr. and Mrs. Mark Tomlinson of Farmington were weekend guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bud Tomlinson, and Kay.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Harter attended a Going-Away party for a co-worker at Grand Rapids Saturday. The children spent the weekend at Cedar Springs with relatives, and they all had dinner there Sunday, on the way home.

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John J. Middlesworth of Hawthorne Village, Leesburg, Florida, had a heart pacemaker implantation last week at a hospital there. He was expected to be home by this time.

BEAL CITY SENIORS HAVE 13 1/2 TABLES IN PLAY

At their regular card party last Thursday afternoon, the Beal City Senior Citizens had 13 1/2 tables of pepper in play.

Leona Faber won high-score prize for the ladies, with Rose Schafer second and Rose Beutler low.

For the men, Louis Rau won first, with Joe Keiffer second and Wilbur Reinert low.

John Cotter won the pepper prize. Joe Lawens drew the door prize.

Cookies and coffee were served for refreshments.

The next card party at the K. C. Hall in Beal City will be Thursday afternoon, June 24. Everyone is cordially invited.

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LAKE ISABELLA

Ruth Yabs, Reporter

Lake Isabella was sprayed for weeds this past week, and it is reported that the weeds are dying. This should improve boating and fishing. A paddle boat has been built for this purpose. This should make for better weed control.

The Klenks entertained their Pinochle Club from Detroit this past weekend. They had 12 house guests for the weekend. Helen reports a great time was had by all. Saturday evening Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Pitts visited them.

The Robert Mays were at Sand Lake again for the weekend, attending the wedding of their youngest daughter, Iva Lynn, who was united in marriage to Edward Norton Saturday evening at Howard City. Other guests from here included Connie and Jack Bushree. School is out now and Elma June will be at home up here.

Last Wednesday afternoon, Ruth and Otto Yabs took off for Holland, Mich., via Muskegon. At Holland we visited friends, and attended the wedding of our nephew Wednesday evening, spending the night there, and Thursday went to Shelbyville, where Martha and Ed Tuinier, formerly of Lake Isabella, are building a house. After a visit with them, we went on to Gun Lake and visited our former physician, and wife, Dr. and Mrs. Harry Porter, of Lansing. We enjoyed a very cool breeze from across the lake, very welcome on such a hot day. The trip was beautiful, and most enjoyable.

A REMINDER--For ALL--It is important for all property owners to register at the Property Owners Office, also put a name marker on your property. We spent over an hour trying to help a visitor find a new property owner, Saturday evening.

BETTER THAN A LETTER

The Churches

WEIDMAN BAPTIST CHURCH (1 Mile West of Weidman) Pastor: Marvin Eldridge, phone 644-3504.

Sunday School, 10 a. m.
Morning Service, 11 a. m.
Evening Service, 7.30 p. m.
Prayer Meeting Wednesday, 7 p. m.

WEIDMAN UNITED METHODIST Rev. Athel Lynch, Pastor, 2163 2nd Street, Weidman.

Office phone 644-3336.
Vacation Church School will be June 21 through June 25, 9 a. m. through 11.30, each day. Classes for three-year-olds through grade six.
All Welcome.

Jonathan Wood of St. Johns spent the weekend with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Pitts. Gerald and Helen McArthur were Sunday callers. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Valentine of Midland were Sunday guests of their uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Emil Phillips.

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Brinton News
Frances Beck, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Mitch Geasler and Jeff and Shelly of Ames, Iowa, came Saturday to visit their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Geasler, returning home Tuesday.

June 20 is Old Tool and Farm Machinery Day at the Township Hall, sponsored by the Brinton Busy Bees 4-H Club as its Bicentennial project, an ongoing program lasting throughout the summer. Art Schrock will be here with his steam engine. There will be spinning demonstrations, cross-cut saw contest, and an old-tool display. Got any old tools? Bring them, show everyone how they work, let's all try them out.

Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Spiece of Carson City spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Roberts. The ladies called at the Coker Funeral Home during the afternoon, paying their respects to their friend, Fern Brown.

Irene Bowen and I also called at the funeral home Saturday evening.

The Merry Go Round Club met with Nora Geasler last Thursday, with 15 members attending, and

one visitor. The next meeting will be with Maggie Boger on July 15.

Eunice La Londe arrived home by plane Saturday from Virginia, where she has been visiting her daughter, Helen, and family. Amy and Lori came home with her to spend some time. Her son, Gary, and family met her at the airport in Detroit.

George Shilling of Farwell called on Bud Longton Sunday.

Sorry to hear of the sudden death of Fern (Mrs. Harry) Brown, who passed away Friday very suddenly. Funeral services were held Monday at the Coker Funeral Home with burial in the North Brinton Cemetery. The family have the sympathy of their many friends and neighbors.

Don't forget the Brinton Busy Bees' Museum, open Sunday, July 20, at the Township Hall in Brinton. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Moon and her mother from Battle Creek spent the weekend at their trailer. They called on Dad and me Saturday evening.

Sandy Cline's mother, Mary Reed, of Mt. Clemens, has been spending some time with her.

Carl and Ellen Geasler were in

Ionia last week Wednesday, where they called on their cousin George Eddy, who has been ill for some time.

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North Weidman
Elvah Gott, Reporter

Mrs. Zena Olger is out of the hospital and is staying with her daughter, Helen Letson, in Mt. Pleasant. She planned to maybe be home Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles G. Latham and family, Mr. and Mrs. John A. Latham and son, John, and Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Olger all visited Laura Latham Sunday. Laura took the VanTran to Mt. Pleasant Wednesday.

Mrs. Carol Abbott went with Mrs. Monica Parker and girls, Shelley and Penny, Thursday to Ann Arbor to visit Lee Parker at the Burn Center there. He is now at the Chelsea Hospital.

Visitors at our home Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Albert Gott and Flossie Allen, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Gott of Winn, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Peacock and Diana, and Mr. and Mrs. Dick Gott, Sunday, and Saturday evening.

Jim Alwood of Dothan, Ala., phoned his parents, the Don Alwoods, Sunday evening. He en-

joys his work, and says it has been hot down there, too. He has been attending the Ozark Calvary Baptist Church with the Frank Spott family. Frank is the foreman on the construction company Jim works for.

Mrs. Ruth Sprenger of Coleman and three grandsons are visiting her son and family, the Jerry Sprengers, at Dothan, where Jim makes his home. Mrs. Sprenger is also the mother of Mrs. Jake Van der Sys of Weidman.

Linus Esch of Winn called at the Don Alwood home one day last week, sporting his long beard for the Winn Centennial, coming up.

Helen Alwood was pleasantly surprised at work Monday when her sister-in-law, Orma Kripa, and two granddaughters, Lisa and Melissa, took her a large and beautifully decorated birthday cake. All of Helen's co-workers enjoyed the cake at their break-time.

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NEWS NOTES

Mable Cummins and Opal Denslow were Saturday callers of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Wilcox. Mr. and Mrs. Spike Branson and children were Sunday guests.

GENERAL REVENUE SHARING PLANNED USE REPORT

General Revenue Sharing provides federal funds directly to local and state governments. This report of your government's plan is published to encourage citizen participation in determining your government's decision on how the money will be spent. Note: **Any complaints of discrimination in the use of these funds may be sent to the Office of Revenue Sharing, Wash., D.C. 20226.**



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1 PUBLIC SAFETY	\$	\$
2 ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION	\$	\$
3 PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION	\$ 2936	\$
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7 SOCIAL SERVICES FOR AGED OR POOR	\$	\$
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11 SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT	\$	
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15 TOTALS	\$ 2936	\$

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(D) Submit proposals for funding consideration by _____ to _____ A copy of this report, and supporting documents, are open for public scrutiny at _____

(E) ASSURANCES (Refer to instruction E) I assure the Secretary of the Treasury that the non-discrimination and other statutory requirements listed in Part E of the instructions accompanying this report will be complied with by this recipient government with respect to the entitlement funds reported hereon.

V. Irene Bowen
Signature of Chief Executive Officer

HELEN BOWEN SUPERVISOR 5-4-76
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Around Horr

Jessie Rosencrantz, Reporter

Mrs. Minnie Reed has been serving on the Circuit Court jury during April, May and June. Her work on that will be completed the last of this month.

Flora Wood and Audrey Flaughner had their pictures shown in a feature story, top-page, in the Mt. Pleasant Times-News last Friday. Flora said she loves it there, "Everyone is so congenial, everything that can be is done for our entertainments." She also said she likes being only 20 miles from her "old stomping grounds" west of Weidman. Audrey Flaughner also had her picture in the writeup, and said, "It's less expensive to live here (in the low-income-built apartment building). I'm not crazy about the city, but this is where it's at. I enjoy living here very much."

Chad Chapman was a Saturday overnight guest at the home of his grandparents, the Gerald Loseys.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Thompson and Bob and Mr. and Mrs. Earl Oplinger and Ed and Miss Sandra Dutcher and Steve Dutcher attended Roddy Thompson's wedding at Beal City Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Sterling Oplinger spent a few days last week at Lake Superior. Mrs. Doris Himebaugh and Mrs. Bertha Blodgett were Tuesday callers at the Oplinger home.

Jeff Martin spent the weekend in Pontiac.

Mrs. Margie Denslow suffered several bad bruises last Thursday when she fell on the front steps at her home.

Callers during the week at the Denslow home were Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Denslow, Mr. and Mrs. Don Abbott, Mrs. Joyce Chaffee, Mrs. Barbara North and children, and the Bob Denslow children.

The Denslow picnic will be held June 27 at Mack Denslow's. Everyone is invited to come.

Mrs. Veran Platek and daughter, Betty, spent several days with her mother, Mrs. Opal Denslow.

Michael Wood spent the weekend with his parents, the Pete Woods.

Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Johnson and family, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Krueger and family, Mr. and Mrs. Pat Dillenbeck and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Kirvan were callers during the week at the Gerald Dent home. Gerald and Mabel called on her mother Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher were Tuesday callers at the Charlie Losey home. Gerald and Charlie Losey were in Mt. Pleasant Friday, and called at the Harold Losey home. Ron Losey, Dan Lorenz and a friend were Friday callers at the Charlie Loseys'. Mr. and Mrs. Theron Merrihew were Saturday evening guests.

Terri and Debby Touchinski spent Monday with their grand-

parents, the Elwood Millers, while their mother was on the school election board.

Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Miller and Miles called at the Coker Funeral Home at Farwell to pay respects to the gentlemen's cousin, Fern Brown, Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Touchinski and girls were Sunday dinner guests of her parents, the Elwood Millers.

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West Gilmore

Lena Cole, Reporter

George Hamilton of Winn and Mrs. Freda Hamilton Allen and Jean, and Mr. and Mrs. Theron Hamilton of Washington State, called on the Paul Coles Monday day.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Pfannes of Snow Snake Mountain visited Mr. and Mrs. Sebastian Pfannes last Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Sebastian Pfannes went to Flint last Wednesday to attend the graduation of their granddaughter, Cindy Yambrick.

The Paul Coles and Velma spent last Tuesday in Muskegon with their cousins, the Ralph Bawkeys.

Mrs. Beulah Wixson and sister, Miss Ruth Border, visited Beulah's in-laws, the Paul Coles, last Wednesday.

Mrs. Ernestine Straus and Mark called on the Coles Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Straus were Thursday evening guests. Welcome to my niece Mrs. Ruth Protoff, to West Side Littlefield Lake. We shall enjoy you and your four children.

Mr. and Mrs. Tony Masiwchuk entertained their daughter, Debbie Marino, and friend, from Lake Orion, over the weekend.

The Coles had a very busy Saturday. They attended the Case School at Farwell High, and enjoyed meeting many old and dear friends.

They also called on Mr. and Mrs. Lester Swan and Mr. and Mrs. Julius Allbee, who are all very ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Kripa and Steve are busy gathering choice stones, in hopes to have a nice fireplace, one of these days.

Mrs. Dan Kripa, Jr., who burned her hand quite severely with hot grease, is reported as doing nicely.

Mrs. Larry Straus called on Mrs. Richard Mahon Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Crawford of Norcross, Ga., announce the birth of a baby daughter June 3. The little Miss tipped the scales at six pounds, one ounce, and has been named LaRae Elizabeth. The proud grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Paul Brown of rural Farwell and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Crawford of Lake Butler, Florida.

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Editor's Column

By Connie

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in an FFA school forest after a "thinning" job.

This paper says the Board made a tactical error in judgment.

With dissension throughout the school district, the Weidman School forest's cleanup would have been a relatively small detail.

Instead, the Board, in effect, has told Weidman people--and the old FFA members who planted those trees--to shaddup and get used to the sight of the lovely pine forest now a mass of junk.

The present FFA had nothing to do with the "thinning" of the forest by a pulp-wood cutter.

That decision, and the heavy-artillery defense of it, is the sole responsibility of Dan Latendresse--with, of course, the blessing of the Board of Education.

We just don't think we'll ever understand school politics.

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WEIDMAN DAY PLANS GO ALONG SMOOTHLY

Plans for the big day July 10, the old-fashioned Weidman Day the Weidman Business Association is sponsoring, are going along smoothly, according to committee chairmen, with things "working out good".

Interest in the big morning parade is running high, but more floats, marchers and other attractions are needed. Anyone interested may call Bud Fredrickson at his Party Store here, tel. 644-3500.

An application for a one-day Bingo game has been sent in.

Booths along the street are being taken up, with the Chippewa Hills Band planning a hot-dog stand and Farwell folks bringing in a carmel-corn wagon.

Entertainment features are being planned for the entire day, beginning with the King and Queen Float (oldest Weidman residents, and their court, other elder Weidmanites).

Those experts at barbecuing chicken, the Beal City K. C. s, have consented to supervise the dinner here, which plans to begin serving at 11.30 a. m.

Help is sought for construction of two floats, the King and Queen float, and the Weidman Girl Scouts. Call Phyllis Sides, tel. 644-3595.

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Mrs. George Clare of Mt. Pleasant was in the Messenger office Monday, and she said that she did some sewing for one of the Roe girls, maybe 40 years ago, or more. The Clares lived briefly on a farm west of Weidman, but moved to Mt. Pleasant 40 years or so ago.

LEE PARKER RECOVERING AT CHELSEA HOSPITAL

Lee Parker was reported over the weekend as recovering from second-degree burns suffered at Dow Chemical Company's complex at Midland last week when a 440-volt electrical switch exploded. Lee was taken to the Burn Center at Ann Arbor first, and later was moved to nearby Chelsea.

He suffered burns on his hands, forearms, face and neck.

He is expected to remain in the Chelsea Hospital at least three weeks more.

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OIL TANKER ACCIDENT CLOSES BRINTON ROAD

The Brinton Road, two miles north of Brinton, was closed Monday afternoon and Tuesday after a Western Crude Oil Company truck jackknifed and turned over at the curve around the small lake at that point Monday afternoon.

The truck's driver, Floyd Rummer, of Summer, Mich., was taken by ambulance to CMC Hospital for treatment of cuts on his face.

The DNR required the oil com-

pany to dig up all dirt around that area that had oil seepage in it, and back-hoes and big trucks worked late Tuesday evening and Monday morning to clean up the mess. The road was expected to be opened some time Tuesday afternoon.

Lewis Bowen, who was working at the North Brinton Cemetery at the time of the accident, called the Sheriff's Department, the Weidman Fire Department, and the county ambulance service.

Lewis said he had trouble getting the Weidman Firemen to respond, but that was explained in a complaint to the telephone company that Firemen's phones were not working properly.

The truck driver was listed in serious condition at the hospital, but was released Tuesday.

Deputy Sheriff Wayne Sisco and former deputy Ted Krauss directed traffic on the road Monday, turning autos away to a detour on account of the accident.

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Mr. and Mrs. Ross Momany of Big Rapids were Sunday guests of their mother, Mrs. Ruth Momany.

WEIDMAN SOFTBALL GIRLS WIN THREE, LOSE TWO

As of last Thursday night, the Weidman Girls' Softball team, playing in Mt. Pleasant, had a record of three wins and two losses in games played this far.

Last Tuesday night they lost, 14-3, to the Beal City Girls' Softball Team.

Thursday night they faced the Burger King team and won a cliff-hanger game, 10-4, with the score tied at 4 in the 7th inning. An overtime inning, the eighth, was played, and the Weidman Girls ran up 6 runs. Cindy Hoyt got a home run in that inning.

Terie McPherson was the losing pitcher Tuesday night, Carla Myshock the winning pitcher for Thursday night.

The Weidman Girls are sponsored by Weidman business folks, with Ty Sanford as their manager.

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Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Jackson of Mt. Pleasant were Sunday visitors at the Fred Wilcox home. Bill and Arlene Wilcox and boys were also visitors. They enjoyed a nice lunch together.

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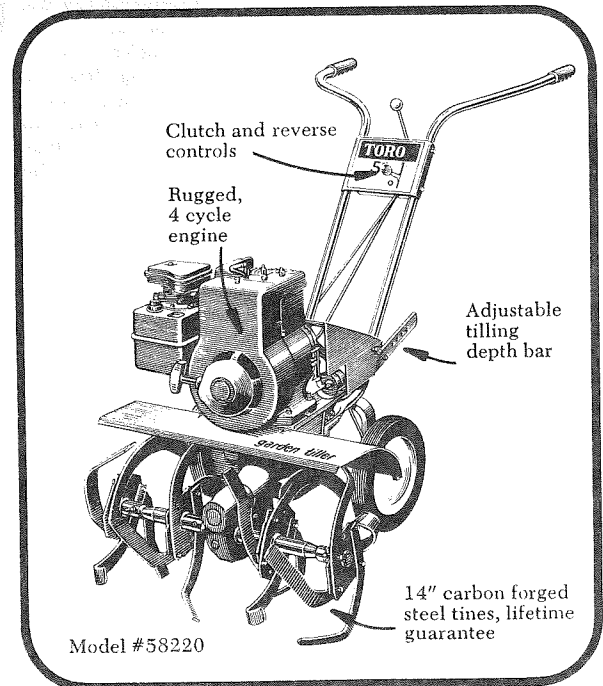
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