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Editor's Column

By Connie

YE ED ALWAYS HAD TO PROVE SOMETHING OR OTHER

Lest anyone have a notion that Bud Fredrickson took me up to the recent Gilmore "music festival" and deserted me at the gate, let me point out:

Bud could not enter the gate-- it really was "women only".

Which reminds me that I've always been prone to the ridiculous and also the unknown, to prove whatever needed proving.

This goes 'way back to the 1950s, when everybody and his (her) brother flocked to the old north bridge over the millpond at evening, to fish awhile off the road-banks.

It was true that Ernie Loomis owned the ground under the west half of the pond there (where the best fishing was), but Ye Ed was of the conviction that Walker Creek, which came into the pond at that point, was public water and owned by nobody.

Ernie claimed otherwise. He let it be known that he owned not only the land under the waters of Walker Creek at that point, but also the water itself.

Weidman men reported he had taken pot-shots at fishermen at times, to keep them off that side of the pond.

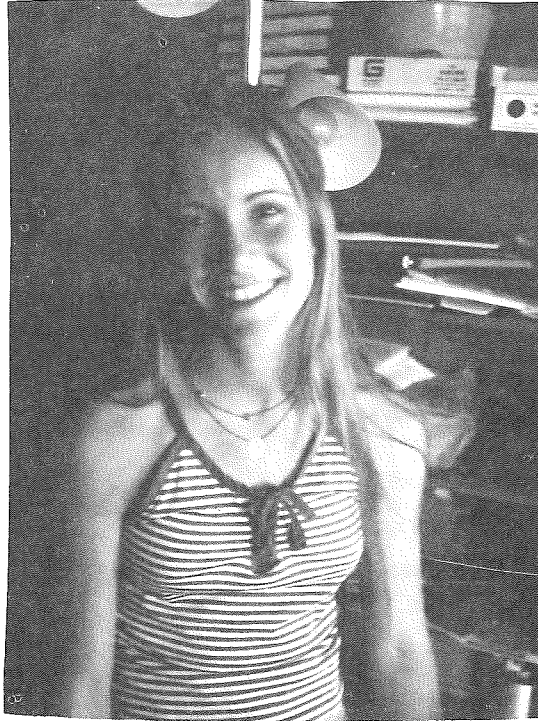
The pot-shots (if any) didn't deter the fishermen (and women) and so Ernie strung a barb-wire fence across the fishing waters, just out far enough so one could get a fishing line nicely out-- but landing a fish over or under that wire was impossible.

Ye called called the Sheriff (Henry Craven) and asked if Ernie could do that. Henry said he didn't know. Ye Ed called the prosecuting attorney Byron Gallagher, and he said he was not sure.

Both said it was a "border" case that would have to be proved in court.

So Ye Ed, being the rash person she always has been, set out to get it into court.

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(This Goes On and On)



RISA FIORILLO MADE THE CHIP HILLS TRACK TEAM--

Along with Theresa Smith, in their three-mile competitions. Risa is an active young person, having had gymnastics at the school two years; she's been in the band since her sixth-grade year, on baritone horn; she's a member of the school's Spanish Club and the National Honor Society. She plays piano and guitar, enjoying pop and "easy listening" types of music. She's also an enthusiastic dancer. We asked, "And what do you do in your spare time?" Risa answered that she collects small house-plants as a hobby. She's the daughter of Pharmacist and Mrs. Lou Fiorillo, coming here from the city of Rockford, Ill. She's a Senior at Chippewa Hills High School, her 18th birthday coming up in January. She plans to enter CMU at Mt. Pleasant, majoring in psychology. Messenger photo

Another promising student at Chip Hills is Joseph Smith, son of Mr. and Mrs. Don Smith, who is on an office-management course. Joe is an avid student, a meticulous observer of details, and appears to be well on his way to success in his chosen field.

And speaking of Chip Hills kids, Tim McArthur paid us a visit Saturday while he was up home from his steady job in Pontiac.

Tim took two years in welding courses at Chippewa Hills High School, graduated, got a job with a manufacturer in Clare who presently went broke or otherwise closed up shop--

and Tim was out of a job.

But--he had gained experience as a welder. Late this summer he got a job at the Rax Company in Pontiac as a second-class welder, presently took the test for a certified welder, and now draws pay (with overtime, yet!) as a first class welder.

Tim has high praise for his teacher at Chip Hills, Jim Huffman of Barryton. Also:

"I think every class in school is important, I don't care what it is--English, the trades, the arts, whatever. School classes are important."

FOUR-4 CLUB FORMING FOR WEIDMAN AREA

There will be a meeting for anyone interested in forming a Weidman area 4-H Club, scheduled for Tuesday, Sept. 21, after school at the Weidman Elementary School.

4-H membership is open to children nine years and older. Interested parents and adults are encouraged to attend.

The meeting will be concluded at 5 p.m. sharp.

If you have questions, please call Denise Bellinger at 644-2528, or Mary Beutler at 644-3462.

The second meeting will be Tuesday, Oct. 5, after school, with sign-up for projects.

At the Oct. 19 meeting officers will be elected and there will be a final sign-up for projects.

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AUDUBON SOCIETY STARTS FILM SEASON

The Audubon Wildlife films begin with the first, Wednesday, Sept. 22, at 7.30 p.m. in Warriner Auditorium on the campus at Mt. Pleasant.

The film is "Another Penguin Summer", personally presented by Olin Sewall Pettingill, Jr., a world-reknown ornithologist-photographer.

The film is a detailed and humorous account of seven species of penguins, as well as other wildlife of the remote Falkland Islands, off the southern tip of South America.

For further information, phone 773-9284.

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NEWS NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. Pat Doyle of Rosebush and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Smith and baby of Muskegon were Saturday evening guests of their mother and grandmother, Mrs. Leah Scharrer.

Mr. and Mrs. Harland Snider spent the past two weeks in Appleton, Wisc., on a vacation trip. They enjoyed the midnight ferry back over Lake Michigan.

Marlene Phillips of Lansing spent the weekend with her mother, Mrs. Edna Bowein.

Brinton News

Frances Beck, Reporter

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Husted on their 35th wedding anniversary. A large crowd of friends and relatives met with them Sunday afternoon at the Brinton Hall, wishing them many Happy Returns of the Day. Congratulations, Raymond and Vera!

Mr. and Mrs. Galen Tower spent Saturday evening with their parents, Walter and Opal Tower, and attended the reception and dance for Mr. and Mrs. Vyril

Wright.

Mr. and Mrs. Rollie Merrihew and Kelly and their sons of Taylor, and Mr. and Mrs. Junior Goodwill of near Chesaning, and their family, and Mr. and Mrs. Ken Tupper of Mt. Pleasant attended the Wrights' wedding and reception Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Fay Forbes attended the Bluegrass festival near Remus over the weekend.

Linda La Londe and Dwayne were in Mt. Pleasant Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Laing of Detroit and Dad and I enjoyed supper at Schaffer's Dairy at Clare one night last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Orrie Spence of Barryton called on Dad and me one evening during the week.

The Merry Go Round Club met with Maggie Boger last week Thursday, with 15 in attendance. The October meeting will be with Helen Hudson near Midland, Oct. 14.

Congratulations to Vyril Wright of Flat Rock and Joan Wright of Greenville, who were married Saturday evening in the Brinton Chapel, with Rev. Wright of

Weidman performing the ceremony. A wedding dance and reception was held at the hall in Brinton following the ceremony. Congratulations, Vyril and Joan!
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Mrs. Ula Cummins and Mrs. Helen Smith called on Zella Main at Blanchard recently. From there they went to the Tri-County Hospital at Edmore and called on Thelma Johnson of Remus.

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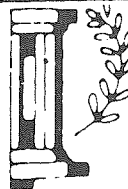
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HOME PAPER FOR THE WEST HALF OF ISABELLA COUNTY

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FOR SALE--Mixed heavy colored pullets. Paul Cole, 5383 West Coleman Road. Ph. 644-2088. Sept. 16tf

Card of Thanks

A big Thank You from Band Boosters to the City of Mt. Pleasant for inviting the band to perform in their parade, and for the Band Boosters to have their booth for the week at the fair.

A big Thanks for all the donations, for all the workers at the booth. Also for all the things for the auction sale Sept. 4 at the Quisenberry farm, and all the bake-sale goodies.

A big thanks to the auctioneers Mr. Tower and Clarence Thomas. Thanks again to all.

The Band Boosters
Of Chippewa Hills District

Card of Thanks

The family of Randy Burkholder wish to express our sincere appreciation to our wonderful friends and neighbors in the Lake Isabella and Coldwater Lake areas who brought in food to the family during our recent great loss.

Thank you all
The Family of
Randy Burkholder

Obituary

CARRIE J. ROETHLISBERGER
Carrie J. Roethlisberger of rural Shepherd died Monday, Sept. 6, at Gratiot Community Hospital. She was 75.

She was born July 5, 1901, in Pompeii, Mich.

She is survived by her husband, Frank; three sons, Robert, Elmer and Bruce, all of Shepherd; three daughters, Mrs. Donald (Donna) Doepker, of Shepherd, Mrs. Gerald (Norma) Recker of Weidman, and Mrs. Fred (Lois) Moegenberg, of Sheridan; one sister, Mrs. Myrtle Struthers, of Pasco, Wash.; and 18 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held last Thursday at 2 p.m. from the Garber-Berry Funeral Home, with Rev. Joseph Dudley officiating. Burial was in the Salt River Cemetery.

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Obituary

RANDALL BURKHOLDER

Randall Lee Burkholder of 771 North Littlefield Road, Weidman, died Sept. 4 as a result of an automobile accident. He was 25.

He was born Oct. 17, 1950, in Alma, and lived all his life in the area. He was produce manager at Vic's Shop-Rite market in Mt. Pleasant the past eight years.

He is survived by his wife, Diane; a son, Byran; his mother, Mrs. Phyllis Burkholder, of Mt. Pleasant; a sister, Mrs. Lenny (Jackie) Wills, of Lake Isabella; and two brothers, Larry, of Lake Isabella, and Roger of Alma.

Funeral services were held at the Stinson Funeral Home, with burial in the Pine River Cemetery.

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The Churches

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

Obituary

FRED WILCOX

Fred Wilcox died Monday, Sept. 14, at his home, after a nine-months' illness. He was 76.

He was born May 19, 1900, in Coldwater Township.

He was employed with Holmes Milling Company in Weidman for 30 years before his retirement. He was highly regarded by all who knew him.

He is survived by his wife, Verlia Lee Wilcox; one son, William, of Coldwater Township; six daughters, Dolores Jackson of Mt. Pleasant, Pauline Branson, Joyce Curtiss, both of Weidman; Vada Abbott of Mt. Pleasant; Monica Parker and Ruth Ann Gatehouse, both of Weidman; and 29 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren, besides many friends. Also one sister, Sue Griffin, of Ionia.

Funeral services will be held Friday, Sept. 17, at 2 p.m. at the Daggett Funeral at Barryton, with Rev. Marvin Eldridge officiating. Interment will be in the Brinton Cemetery.

The family have the sympathy of their very many friends.

HOME PAPER FOR THE WEST HALF OF ISABELLA COUNTY



ANITA SANFORD HOLDS GIRLS' SOFTBALL TROPHY--
Won when the Weidman girls earned a Runner-Up status in the MASA District No. 10 finals. The Weidman girls played in the Mt. Pleasant League, but the team is an all-Weidman personnel outfit. There are 13 Weidman girls on the softball team. The trophy will be placed in sponsors' places of business for 10 days each during the next couple of months. Presently it's at the Messenger office. Come in and see it--it's beautiful, and so are our girls. They had a good season, and came out fine. Messenger photo

In uniform

Pvt. E-2 Tony Parker, 374-76-6544, has a new address: 833 D Ord. Co., APO San Francisco 96231.

Greg Parker has finished basic training, and will have leave in a couple of weeks or so.

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LAKE ISABELLA

Ruth Yabs, Reporter

Who says dogs are dumb?-- When I brought Otto home from the hospital Sunday, after a stay of three days, for tests before surgery in about 10 days, our Cindy Dachshund decided to ignore him. She sulked about two hours before having anything to do with him.

Weekend guests of Helen and George Klenk of Crown Point Drive were their daughter, Karen, and husband, David Wandrie, and two young daughters, Jessica and Jackie, of Detroit.

School having started and most vacations over, our area seems deserted to quite a degree. If you have ANY interesting news PLEASE phone me at 644-2706.

Around Horr

Jessie Rosencrantz, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Clark were Sunday guests of the Alva Cummins.

Mrs. Betty Martin was a patient in the Mt. Pleasant Hospital from Wednesday to Saturday.

An eight-pound, 13-ounce boy was born Thursday night to Mr. and Mrs. Greg Martin. Miss Janice Leptinsky was a Sunday guest at the Joe Martin home.

Bob Thompson spent Friday and Saturday at Corunna, at Ruddells. Jim Strong was a Thursday supper guest at the Thompson home.

Mrs. Betty Thompson attended Busy Bees at the home of Opal Denslow Thursday.

Mrs. Ethel McLean was a Sunday dinner and supper guest at the home of her son, Elwood Miller. Other dinner guests were the Millers' daughter and family, the Dick Touchinskis, and Mrs. Edith Touchinski.

Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Miller were Tuesday supper guests at the Gerald Dent home. Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Kirvan were recent callers. Mrs. Linda Krueger and children were Saturday supper guests. Mr. and Mrs. Pat Dillenbeck were Thursday callers.

Weekend guests at the Pete Wood home were their son, Mike,

Miss Becky Welch, Mrs. Wendy Whitman and son, D.J., and Mr. and Mrs. Dan Mills.

Mrs. Violet Oplinger and Mrs. Leah Scharrer were Thursday callers of Mrs. Hattie Losey. Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Losey spent the week end with them. Mrs. Ardis Merrihew came Sunday evening and brought Mrs. Tiedeman, who will stay this week.

Mrs. Opal Denslow was hostess to the Busy Bees Thursday. There were 16 ladies in attendance.

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Local Items

Mrs. Lucille (Clark) Shackelford of Grand Junction, Colo., has been spending the past two weeks with her sister and brother, Mrs. Lela Whearett and Donald Clark. They attended the wedding of Lela's grandson, Ronnie Knudson, in Saginaw, last week. Lela will go with Lucille for a visit to her home in Colorado the first of next week.

Mrs. Sue Griffin of Ionia spent a recent weekend at the home of her brother, Fred Wilcox, and family.

Mrs. Helen Smith has an Easter lily she set outdoors, now in bud and about to bloom. One bud is opening, she says.

Mabel Bingham, who has been spending the summer at the Richard Touchsinski home, is in Marquette for a visit, and will soon leave for Florida.

Rosalie (Kaninsky) Winn of California is visiting friends and relatives in this area this week. She and Albertha Strong and Ralph visited Wilbur Benn in Weidman Tuesday, and Rosalie also called on old neighbors, including the Messenger home. She called at the Wm. Louiselles', and other places in the neighborhood. She said all the family often visit Marie Kaninsky at the Golden Acres Rest Home in St. Louis. Rosalie had visited her two sisters in Lansing before coming on up here.



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Beal City

Dora Smith, Reporter

Mrs. Bernetta Smith and Mrs. Naomi Martin of Fowler visited Mrs. Irene Smith and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Zeien Sunday.

Ms. Patty Schafer and fiancée from Chicago visited friends and relatives around here this weekend.

Many from here attended the Sacred Heart celebration this weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Smith of Linden, Mich., and Mrs. Elaine Simmer of Reed City visited Anne Smith and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gould one day last week.

Dale Rau of Gregory was home for the weekend.

Mrs. Anna Nellet of Akron, Mich., was a recent visitor of her cousin, Emma Tilmann, and other relatives in and around Beal City. While here, from Wednesday till Sunday, she also visited Elizabeth Neubecker in Weidman.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Fox and Mr. and Mrs. Herman Kremsreiter enjoyed a trip up north over the weekend. Dora Smith took care of the Kremsreiter children while they were away.

Mrs. Henry Grinzinger called on Mrs. Leo Gross and Mike Gross Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Keiffer were in Hubbardston Labor Day, to visit Mrs. Julia Cunningham, and also Mr. and Mrs. Al Cashen.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Schafer, Mr. and Mrs. Al Klumpp, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Schafer and Tillie Schafer attended the 25th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Ger-

ald Schafer of Mt. Pleasant Sunday.

Jack Schafer, Roxanne Schafer, Mrs. Mike Schafer, Effie Schafer and Mike Gross spent Thursday afternoon with Matie Pung, playing cards.

Betty Sunderman and girls of Shepherd called on Louise Schafer Tuesday.

Mrs. Judy Schafer returned home Saturday, after visiting in Arizona.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Schafer returned home Thursday, after spending a week at a trailer park near Traverse City.

Mrs. Milo Eldred spent last Tuesday with Tillie Schafer.

Keitha Bierschbach and Alvin Cain will be married Saturday at St. Joseph the Worker's Church.

Mrs. Mary Rolph of Mt. Pleasant visited Dora Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gould and Anne Smith Monday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Goffnett and family visited Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gould Monday evening. Mrs. Carol Smith and Amy were afternoon visitors one day last week.

Mrs. Leo Schafer visited Dora Smith Monday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Al Tilmann and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Rau visited Mr. and Mrs. Jim Sheahan Monday afternoon.

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North Weidman

Elvah Gott, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Don Abbott returned from their trip to Oregon the weekend. They visited their brother and sister-in-law, and also their granddaughter, Connie, and husband, in Oregon.

Mr. and Mrs. Maynard Powell of Bridgeport visited Don and Birdie Abbott recently.

Terry Abbott has a job at Seider's Lumber Co. in Clare.

Mark and Tim Abbott went to work Monday at the Randell Manufacturing plant south of Weidman.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Conley have left Zena Olger's, and gone to the home of their granddaughter, Bobbie Woodcock, to help care for her new baby.

Zena Olger and Sylvia Riggs went to see Sylvia's eye doctor, and they called at the homes of several relatives but found no one home. Mr. and Mrs. Dale Letson called on Zena Olger Sunday evening.

Albert Gott called on us Saturday, and took us out to dinner. Debbie Graham called Sunday and took me to church.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Linz of Detroit, and niece, and husband, called Monday, as did Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Smith of California. Mrs. Bessie Allen of Farwell also was a caller Monday.

Rhonda Livermore of Brinton spent the weekend with Cathy Alwood.

Mrs. Claribel Beutler received word that Mr. and Mrs. Mark Johnston, who spent the summer with relatives here, are living in Ohio, where Mark is enrolled at the Methodist Seminary at Dayton.

Area school children have been experiencing a round of autumn colds, flu, and other quick-spreading diseases. None of them has been reported seriously ill.

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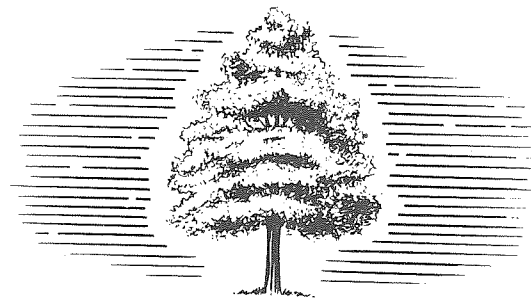
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WORKERS STARTED MONDAY--On cleaning up the school forest at Weidman, but apparently were busy only a short time, as the "chipper" broke down. The machine (above) is a rented outfit from Cadillac, the work being under the supervision of the wood-cutters who thinned the forest last winter. Dan Latendresse told the Messenger gal that they were unable to get a Chiparvester from Winn. Messenger photos



THE FOREST IS A MASS OF DRIED PINE BRANCHES--And disfigured trees damaged in winds. There's plenty of work to be done by the end of September, the limit of time a State Fire Marshal gave the Chippewa Hills School Board to remove the definitely designated fire hazard. Pine forest fires have occurred all around us, two close by, besides the disastrous fire at Seney in the Upper Peninsula. One was a privately-owned pine stand between us and Mt. Pleasant, another over near Chippewa Lake in Mecosta County. Thirty home-owners adjacent to the Weidman forest fire-hazard zone after the wood cutters went through last winter petitioned the School Board last spring to simply request Dan Latendresse's FFA members to clean up the debris left by the cutters. The cutting was announced publicly as a Chippewa Hills High School FFA project, unfortunately. It turned out to be a straight school-wood cutters' contract for thinning the trees, for profit on both sides.

Monday work started on "cleaning up" the forest, with a tractor rented from Dick Cook and a machine from somewhere else to chew up the debris, which was simply spewed out on the ground and left, a thick cover of pine kindling for the first cigarette or dropped match. Dick Cook told the Messenger

editor, on the scene Tuesday morning, "It's just a matter of time till that tractor gets on fire because they're throwing pine-wood dust on the engine, and when it gets hot enough, it'll blow." It "blew" during the morning,



COUPLE TO CELEBRATE 60 YEARS TOGETHER--Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Dell of 4172 Lake (Littlefield Lake), will be celebrating their 60th wedding anniversary Sunday, Sept. 26, with an Open House hosted by their children. The anniversary event will take place at the Gilmore Church of Christ, corner of Vandecar and West Coleman Roads, from 2 to 5 p. m. The Dell children invite friends, neighbors and relatives of their parents to help celebrate the occasion. The family requests no gifts, please. The Dells have lived all their married life in Isabella County. The above photo was taken on the occasion of Mrs. Dell's retirement after 18 years of service at the Mt. Pleasant State Home and Training School, as a cook. The Dells have very many friends around here.

but the workers were lucky, as the fire was only on the tractor's hood and workers were able to put it out before it dropped to the flammable ground.

Work resumed shortly after that, Tuesday morning, with at least one home-owner calling the State Fire Marshal at Rockford in protest. This area is included in the highly hazardous half of Michigan's mitten, with no-burn restrictions and tinder-dry conditions prevalent, including the Weidman pine forest.

Work was finally stopped after 1 o'clock starting, when Connie Skinner called the high school and asked, "Mr. Alward, what are you and the School Board trying to do to the town of Weidman?"

Mr. Alward said he thought the work had been stopped. He stopped it within half an hour after Ye Ed's call. ---0---

Mrs. Ula Cummins attended the funeral of Elsie Aungst Sunday afternoon in Mt. Pleasant.

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To the Editor
Dear Connie:

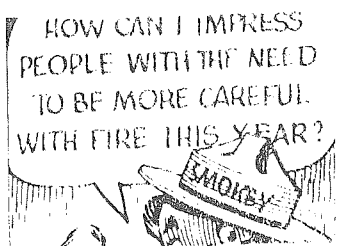
Hope you don't feel too let-down by the space you gave in response to your item of the you-name-it-you-can-have-it that happened in my front yard.

I didn't care for it, and I am sure my friends and neighbors did not care for it.

And as for our local men, I heard several of them say they had things that were more important and would meet more with God's approval.

Thanks.
Mrs. Halena Cole
5283 W. Coleman Road
Lake P. O.

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West Gilmore

Lena Cole, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cornell of Davison and Mr. and Mrs. George Cornell of Gladwin were Saturday callers of their brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Geasler.

Monday the many brothers and sisters of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cornell visited them, and enjoyed a cookout.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Geasler were in attendance.

Mr. and Mrs. Shameskys are spending a few days at their cabin.

Mr. and Mrs. John Balent and four girls of South Bend, Ind., returned to their home Monday, after several days spent with their grandparents, the Paul Coles.

Saturday evening callers of the Coles and Velma were Mr. and Mrs. Sebastian Pfannes, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Kripa, and Mr. and Mrs. Larry Straus and Frances and Mark.

Mr. and Mrs. Rick Pfannes of Harrison were Tuesday evening visitors of their brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Bess Pfannes.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Pfannes were Monday visitors of the local Pfannes family.

Mrs. Audrey Henry called on the Paul Coles Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Geasler and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Worth and Mike made a trip to Manistee and did some fishing, with no luck, returning Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Tony Masiwchuk spent Sunday evening with Velma Cole.

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Beryl Beck, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Andy Beck, with Mr. and Mrs. Ken Kavanaugh and Karen, Gary and Scott, spent Labor Day weekend at Strykersville, N. Y., visiting Mr. and Mrs. Laverne Curtis.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Quick and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Chambers of West Branch spent a few days last week with Mr. and Mrs. Steve Galgoczi.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerry Beck and family of Lansing spent Sunday before Labor Day with Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Beck.

Weekend guests at the Glenn Brown home were their sons, Don, and Bill, and family, and David and family, all of Mt. Pleasant. Michael of Big Rapids and Glenn's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ford Brown, of Big Rapids, and Mr. and Mrs. Reid Baillantine of Bad Axe, were also guests.

We are all sorry to know that Buck Nolte is back in the hospital and we wish him a speedy recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Steve Galgoczi attended a Pilgrim Robing at the Kalamazoo Moose Lodge Friday evening, and on to the Muskegon lodge Saturday for the President's Ball.

We are all glad to know that Vic Eisman is home from the hospital and recovering nicely from his recent illness.

Andy, Beryl, Jerome and Sherry Beck and Connie White spent the past weekend in Milwaukee and Racine, Wisc., visiting relatives.

Frank Huguélet attended a dinner at the Mt. Pleasant Moose Lodge Saturday evening, and a District Fellowship meeting at the St. Louis lodge Sunday.

Glenn Kemmis visited his doctor in Lansing recently.

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Local Items

Mr. and Mrs. Emil Phillips were in Ludington last Tuesday to visit Steve Reichoff. Thursday the Phillipses were in East Jordan to visit Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Bennett.

There have been no swans reported on Weidman lakes and ponds this year. Walter J. Smith says there are lots of ducks on his Perch Lake, however.

Small Jonathan Wood of St. Johns spent the weekend with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Pitts. Darryl Pitts was home from his Bible College studies at Lansing.

Frank Durham spent last week at the home of his brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Emil Phillips.

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Editor's Column

By Connie

YE ED ALWAYS HAD TO PROVE SOMETHING OR OTHER

Least anyone have a notion that Bud Fredrickson took me up to the recent Gilmore "music festival" and deserted me at the gate, let me point out:

Bud could not enter the gate-- it really was "women only".

Which reminds me that I've always been prone to the ridiculous and also the unknown, to prove whatever needed proving.

This goes 'way back to the 1950s, when everybody and his (her) brother flocked to the old north bridge over the millpond at evening, to fish awhile off the road-banks.

It was true that Ernie Loomis owned the ground under the west half of the pond there (where the best fishing was), but Ye Ed was of the conviction that Walker Creek, which came into the pond at that point, was public water and owned by nobody.

Ernie claimed otherwise. He let it be known that he owned not only the land under the waters of Walker Creek at that point, but also the water itself.

Weidman men reported he had taken pot-shots at fishermen at times, to keep them off that side of the pond.

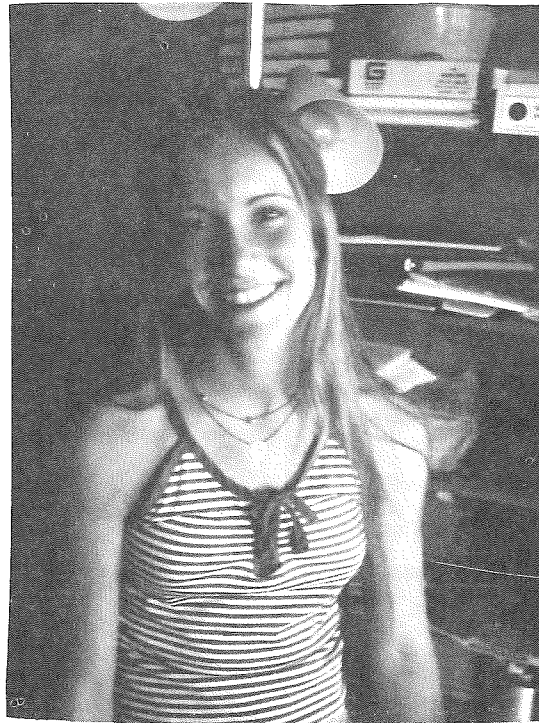
The pot-shots (if any) didn't deter the fishermen (and women) and so Ernie strung a barb-wire fence across the fishing waters, just out far enough so one could get a fishing line nicely out-- but landing a fish over or under that wire was impossible.

Ye called called the Sheriff (Henry Craven) and asked if Ernie could do that. Henry said he didn't know. Ye Ed called the prosecuting attorney Byron Gallagher, and he said he was not sure.

Both said it was a "border" case that would have to be proved in court.

So Ye Ed, being the rash person she always has been, set out to get it into court.

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RISA FIORILLO MADE THE CHIP HILLS TRACK TEAM--

Along with Theresa Smith, in their three-mile competitions. Risa is an active young person, having had gymnastics at the school two years; she's been in the band since her sixth-grade year, on baritone horn; she's a member of the school's Spanish Club and the National Honor Society. She plays piano and guitar, enjoying pop and "easy listening" types of music. She's also an enthusiastic dancer. We asked, "And what do you do in your spare time?" Risa answered that she collects small house-plants as a hobby. She's the daughter of Pharmacist and Mrs. Lou Fiorillo, coming here from the city of Rockford, Ill. She's a Senior at Chippewa Hills High School, her 18th birthday coming up in January. She plans to enter CMU at Mt. Pleasant, majoring in psychology. Messenger photo

Another promising student at Chip Hills is Joseph Smith, son of Mr. and Mrs. Don Smith, who is on an office-management course. Joe is an avid student, a meticulous observer of details, and appears to be well on his way to success in his chosen field.

And speaking of Chip Hills kids, Tim McArthur paid us a visit Saturday while he was up home from his steady job in Pontiac.

Tim took two years in welding courses at Chippewa Hills High School, graduated, got a job with a manufacturer in Clare who presently went broke or otherwise closed up shop--

and Tim was out of a job.

But--he had gained experience as a welder. Late this summer he got a job at the Rax Company in Pontiac as a second-class welder, presently took the test for a certified welder, and now draws pay (with overtime, yet!) as a first class welder.

Tim has high praise for his teacher at Chip Hills, Jim Huffman of Barryton. Also:

"I think every class in school is important, I don't care what it is--English, the trades, the arts, whatever. School classes are important."

FOUR-4 CLUB FORMING FOR WEIDMAN AREA

There will be a meeting for anyone interested in forming a Weidman area 4-H Club, scheduled for Tuesday, Sept. 21, after school at the Weidman Elementary School.

4-H membership is open to children nine years and older. Interested parents and adults are encouraged to attend.

The meeting will be concluded at 5 p. m. sharp.

If you have questions, please call Denise Bellinger at 644-2528, or Mary Beutler at 644-3462.

The second meeting will be Tuesday, Oct. 5, after school, with sign-up for projects.

At the Oct. 19 meeting officers will be elected and there will be a final sign-up for projects.

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AUDUBON SOCIETY STARTS FILM SEASON

The Audubon Wildlife films begin with the first, Wednesday, Sept. 22, at 7.30 p. m. in Warriner Auditorium on the campus at Mt. Pleasant.

The film is "Another Penguin Summer", personally presented by Olin Sewall Pettingill, Jr., a world-reknown ornithologist-photographer.

The film is a detailed and humorous account of seven species of penguins, as well as other wildlife of the remote Falkland Islands, off the southern tip of South America.

For further information, phone 773-9284.

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NEWS NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. Pat Doyle of Rosebush and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Smith and baby of Muskegon were Saturday evening guests of their mother and grandmother, Mrs. Leah Scharrer.

Mr. and Mrs. Harland Snider spent the past two weeks in Appleton, Wisc., on a vacation trip. They enjoyed the midnight ferry back over Lake Michigan.

Marlene Phillips of Lansing spent the weekend with her mother, Mrs. Edna Bowein.