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Editor's Column

By Connie

AW, NOW, I DON'T PLAY WITH MY FIREPLACE THAT MUCH, ROY!

So Saturday we received the following delightful piece from Roy Silvernail of Byron Center (along with his check for renewal of the paper), and we just have to pass it on to you.

Here 'tis:

On the Airline Road there lives a winner,
A good friend named Connie Skinner.
A lot of cold winters she has put up with,
Three-score years, take or give.

Now at long last, her dream has come true:
A beautiful fireplace to warm up to!
Rocking to and fro, what a beautiful place
Right in front of the old fireplace!

When the weather is cold and bleak,
The spirit is willing, but the body is weak.

Now, all of this could be very well,

But publishing the Messenger could go to hell!

Maybe us readers should hire a man

To plug up that chimney as fast as he can!

For if we don't get the Messenger's news,

Alas and alack, we succumb to the blues!

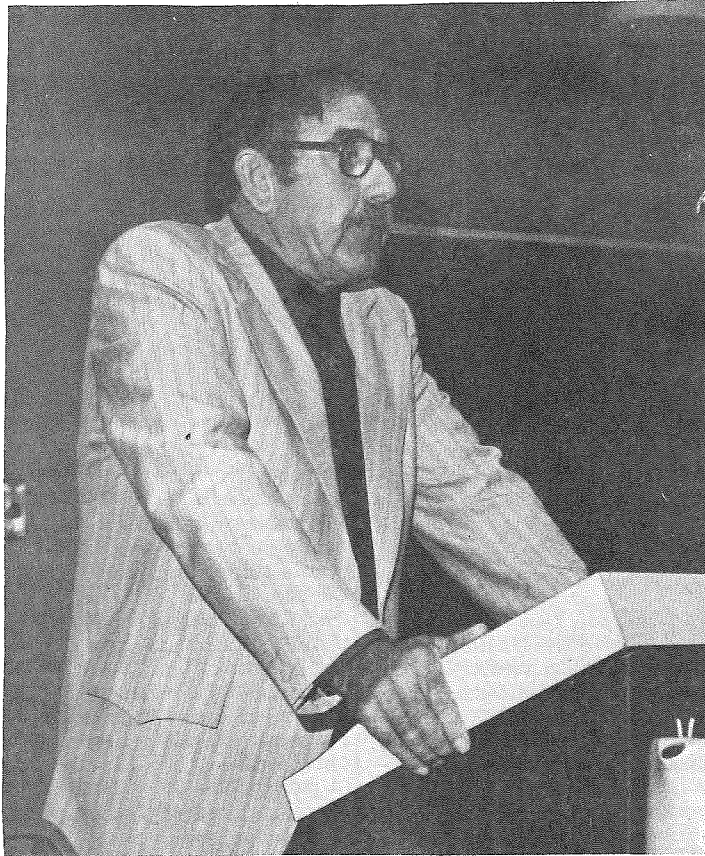
By Roy Silvernail

Actually, Roy, I don't dare light that fireplace till the work's all done for the day and I can put my entire attention on tending it.

(When one lights a fireplace blaze, one has to be ready to replenish the wood every other minute, seems like.)

Of course, I'm burning waste wood junk gathered up around the place by my faithful high school boy, Rick McArthur--and

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NORVAL MOREY SAYS, "BURN WOOD!"

Norval Morey, president and founder of Morbark Industries at Winn, is making the lecture circuit advocating the use of waste wood instead of oil or coal for energy.

"Michigan will start having brownouts and possible blackouts within three years, due to a serious lack of generating capacity," he told some 80 members of the American Pulpwood Association last Thursday in Mt. Pleasant.

Norval Morey started in the big time with his simple invention of a debarking machine that revolutionized the pulpwood industry; and since that first invention he has produced numerous other labor-saving and wood-saving devices and patented them.

He plans to build a 20 megawatt wood-fired power plant at Winn to supply electricity to Morbark Industries, and also to supply the Wolverine Electric Co-opera-

tive at Big Rapids with extra capacity to serve its REA customers. He said his predictions of power failures are based on talks with leaders in the power industry in Michigan.

"We have several universities interested in using our harvesting demonstration site and the power plant itself as a basis for further research into the use of wood and other biomass materials for energy," he said.

He went on: "We have to educate people to the fact that we are not talking about using good timber for energy. We are talking about the dead and junk wood."

"We are going to build our plant primarily to demonstrate what can be done," he went on. "Today a 50-megawatt plant is very expensive, partially because all design must be done just for the particular plant by the engineers.

WOOD BURNING OUTFITS SELLING FAST IN THIS AREA

Wood burning outfits such as ready-made fireplaces, Franklin stoves and wood-burning adjuncts to furnaces are selling fast throughout this area, according to suppliers here.

Those men who are young and able-bodied are cutting wood for home heating in state and National forests in central Michigan.

Others (who are lucky) have their own woodlots on their farms, and at long last the woodlot is coming into its own.

Many farm families have been using wood in their furnaces for many years. Others are beginning to use it.

Wood by the cord is costly, and those not able to scrounge their own supplies will pay to burn wood this winter.

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We are convinced that plants can be built with 10-megawatt units that can be factory-built and shipped to the site. You can start with a 10 or 20 megawatt plant and add more 10-megawatt units later.

"When we build our plant and prove that it is a practical concept, we are going to have people all over Michigan wanting to build these plants--county governments, private investors, utilities. There is enough junk and dead wood going to waste to supply from 20 to 250 megawatts, depending on the county."

He reiterated what he has often said in the past, that "There may be exotic energy alternatives, but they are at least 20 years away."

The editor of this newspaper can attest to his contention that there is a lot of "waste and junk wood" lying around Michigan forests; after seeing results of "trimming" in the Weidman School forest, we fully believe that the practice of leaving shorn limbs and branches lying there to constitute a fire hazard for the forest, and also a dreadful waste of potential energy, should be stopped.

Wish we had some money to invest in Morbark's energy developments!



MID MICHIGAN COMMUNITY COLLEGE PRESENTS A PLAY

Mid Michgian Community College at Harrison will present a play, "Bats in the Belfry", in the college auditorium with a matinee at 1.30 p.m. and an evening performance each date of Oct. 27, 28 and 29, at 8 p.m.

In the photo above, the four teachers of the Ogilby Conservatory of Music are dressed in formal Halloween attire as they greet Miss Fairfax (Sharon Keyser of Harrison), a contributor to the conservatory.

The ladies are played by Carolyn Montini of Lake, Cheryl Bay of Barryton, Carol Morris of Weidman, and Lynn Sprague of Harrison.

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FIVE NURSES' TRAINING SCHOLARSHIPS AT MMCC

Nurses' training scholarships for five students at Mid Michigan Community College have been funded by Voiture 767 of "La Societe des 40 Hommes and 8 Chevaux", popularly known in America as the "40 and 8", a fraternity of Legionnaires and

their wives.

All five nominees for the scholarships are to receive \$200 scholarships totaling \$1,000 for the school year 1977-78.

MMCC admitted 30 students into the Associate Degree in Nursing program Aug. 29.

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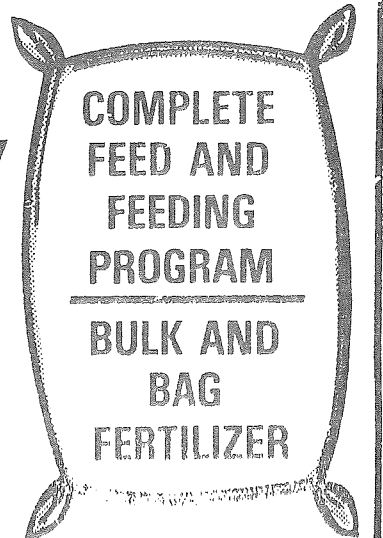
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Oct. 13t5p

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Oct. 13t3

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WANTED--Ride from Weidman to the Beal City St. Joseph's Church, Sundays. Call 644-2363. Anyone from this area who attends church in Beal City is asked please to contact us.

Oct. 27t1p

CAME TO MY PLACE--Two beagle hounds, male and female, no identification. Will hold till Saturday. Walter J. Smith, Weidman, tel. 644-2006.

Oct. 27t1

CORRECTION

In last week's Messenger we made an error in the Pin Cushion advertisement.

T-Shirt Fabrics should have been listed at \$1.98 per yard, instead of 1/2 price.

Sorry!

Card of Thanks

THANK YOU....

My sincerest thanks to my neighbors and everyone who remembered me during my illness, with cards, notes, calls, flowers and prayers;

To Rev. Bruce Brown, Rev. LeRoy Bruce, and Rev. Altha Barnes, for your calls and prayers, which were appreciated very much.

Harry Hoffman

Local Items

Sunday callers of Mrs. Marie Smith were Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Wilcox of West Branch. Mrs. Wilcox is a cousin of Walter Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Lewis of Mt. Pleasant were Sunday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Russell Wilson.

George Darnell and family were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Embrey. In the evening they all visited Mr. and Mrs. Jay Darnell in Mt. Pleasant, for a family get-together.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Wilson and Mrs. Nina Forbes visited their sister, Mrs. Marge Mullett, Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Cleo Olegny spent last week at her home here.

One year ago today we had a very high wind, with temperature at 45 degrees high and low of 36. The week before, we had snow nearly every day.

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Rev. Marvin Eldridge was in Alaska, Mich., last Sunday, his home town, where he led services.

At our church, George Spooner and Dennis Hayes were speakers, while Tracy Bywater led the singing.

The members of the Brinton Chapel were our guests, and five of them were baptized here.

We are enjoying our new pews with their cushioned seats.

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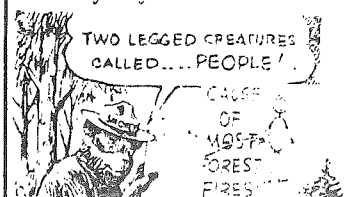
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 7.30 p. m.

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 Bible School, 10.45 a. m.
 Evening Worship, 7 p. m.

Smokey Says:



LAKE ISABELLA

Ruth Yabs, Reporter

OOPS!--Wrote news for last week, and forgot to take it to Connie!

Friday, Oct. 14, we went to Mt. Pleasant and brought Mrs. Fred Tueck home from CMC Hospital. She is much improved, after four weeks' treatment for infection in her legs. She will have to take it careful for a long time.

SURPRISE!--Bob Mays wouldn't really admit he was surprised when several friends met at Jack Bushree's for a surprise birthday party. It was a "fun" evening staged by several neighborhood CB friends. He admits to being 39 years old and holding.

Visitors Sunday at the Doris Guerin home were Illah and Alex Syper of Livonia, with their

daughter, Julia, and intended, Michael. They brought a birthday cake to celebrate belatedly. Doris and Michael's birthdays were Oct. 21. Believe me, the cake was good--I had some!

A NEAR TRAGEDY

Friends and neighbors of Mary Betts are concerned for her, after she was severely burned in a flash fire while she was lighting the pilot on her furnace. She is in the Alma Hospital. Sunday afternoon she showed much improvement.

A WELCOME VISITOR--With the Yabs: Ruth's sister, Faye Stephenson, of Lansing, came Saturday morning, to stay till this Friday.

Visitors of the Nelson Batemans this weekend were her daughter, Joni, and fiancée, Keith Applehans, of Wheeling, Ill. They all had a chicken dinner Saturday with Joni's grandparents, the Charles Fahnstocks. The young folk returned to Illinois Sunday afternoon.

Local Items

Tracey Phillips of San Bruno, Calif., was married at the home of her grandmother, Mrs. Edna Bowein, to Ray Casses Saturday, Oct. 22, at 4 p. m., by Judge Burrows of Mt. Pleasant. Guests were her mother, Marlene Phillips, and John Gleason of Lansing, the bride's father, William Phillips and family, of Fowlerville; her sister, Mary Lou Cripps, and family, of Detroit, and Clarence Lorenz.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Ted Smith and grandson called on their parents Saturday evening, and presented Clayton and Clara with an anniversary gift.

Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Sprague

spent Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. Fay Beutler at their cabin at Hamlin Lake, near Ludington.

Troy and Tracy Spence of Pontiac spent the weekend with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene McArthur.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Williams and four children of Midland came Saturday and spent the day with Mr. and Mrs. Emil Phillips. Mrs. Williams had dinner all prepared, and afterward they all enjoyed a ride in the country.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Smith spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. John Gould of Evart.

Mrs. Bertha Herron of Oil City called on her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Smith, Monday, and had dinner with the Senior Citizens here.

Messenger

Reminds them of you 48 times a year.

Around Horr

Jessie Rosencrantz, Reporter

Mrs. Betty Thompson attended the United Methodist Church annual meeting and lunch last Tuesday afternoon at Mt. Pleasant.

Tim Haslett, a CMU student, was a Sunday dinner guest at the Jim Thompson home.

Mrs. Nettie Lawrence called on her brother and wife, the Ed Grables, at Farwell, last Saturday.

Garth Lawrence spent Saturday over night with his mother.

Tracy White helped out Sunday morning, and both were dinner guests of Mrs. Lawrence.

Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Miller attended a shower for Mr. and Mrs. Paul Simmer, Jr., at Beal City Tuesday evening.

The Millers were Saturday supper guests at the Glenwood Helmer home.

Bill Cummins went to Battle Creek last Friday for a checkup.

Joni Marie Delezowski of Chicago called on her grandparents, the Charles Fahnstocks, and also her mother, Mrs. Nelson Bateman, at Lake Isabella.

Clayton Dutcher was a Tuesday caller at the Charlie Losey home. Harold Losey, Mr. and Mrs. Theron Merrihew and Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Losey were Sunday callers.

Mrs. Margaret Denslow and Mrs. Opal Denslow were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Jerore at Lake Windoga. They met on their 17-day trip to Hawaii. Opal said they had a very nice dinner with the Jerores.

Mr. and Mrs. Randy Brownell and two children of Mt. Pleasant, Mr. and Mrs. Randall Landium of Missouri, and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Foss were Sunday evening supper guests of Mrs. Opal Denslow.



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Brinton News

Frances Beck, Reporter

Irene Bowen and Wanda Haenke and boys attended the wedding of their niece and cousin, Patty Blodgett, who was married Saturday evening at the Latter Day Saints Church in Farwell. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alan Blodgett.

Laura Roberts and Minerva Owens attended the wedding of Laura's niece, Jodi Sprague, at St. Joseph's Church in Beal City Friday evening, with a reception following at the K.C. Hall in Beal City.

Emily Livermore and I called on her father, Mr. Glassen, who is a patient in the Clare Hospital where he is recovering from pneumonia.

Mr. and Mrs. Galen Tower and family were Friday supper guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Tower.

Mr. and Mrs. Morris Henderson of Flint were guests last week from Thursday till Saturday of Walter and Opal. They were en route to New York, where they will spend some time.

I accompanied Echo Godwin to Lansing Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Strang called on his mother, Grace Strang, at CMC Hospital several days during the week.

Ruth Teeter and family of Clare spent Sunday with Edna Teeter.

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North Weidman

Elvah Gott, Reporter

Mrs. Hattie Van Warmer and her niece and Doris Allbee took Zena Olger out for dinner one day last week.

Joe Latham of Mt. Pleasant spent Saturday night with Laura Latham, and took her to church Sunday.

The Merry Go Round Club meets at my house Nov. 10. Everyone's invited.

Bessie and I went to visit my brother, Ezra Rhynard, at Farwell, one day last week.

Albert, Leona and Wanda Graham and I attended the funeral of Dick Dodge in Saginaw.

He was my nephew. He died of a stroke.

Mr. and Mrs. John F. Gott called on me Sunday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Carl Gott and family called Saturday evening.

I had the Missionary meeting at my place last Wednesday.

Smokey Says:



Mrs. Claribel Beutler enjoyed a week's tour of Pennsylvania recently, with the American Tour Club, a Senior Citizens' group.

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Mrs. Ula Cummins and Mrs. Helen Smith visited Ula's doctor in Ithaca Sunday.

Thayne and Phyllis Sides and Ed and Agnes Fox spent the weekend in Nashville, Tenn., enjoying Grand Ole Opry.

The Senior Citizens had a birthday party at their regular daily dinner Monday. Tuesday they had a pot-luck dinner for all Senior Citizens of the area.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Touchinski and girls were visiting in Muskegon Saturday with Clyde Bingham and family.

Richard Touchinski took Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Miller out to dinner at the Bonanza Restaurant in Mt. Pleasant Sunday, for Mother-in-Law Day. Dick's family were also included, of course.

Ten years ago today, temperature stood at 30 degrees for high, with cloudy day.

Mr. and Mrs. Jacques Coon and Minerva Owen were Sunday afternoon visitors of the Richard Touchinski family.

In the Editor's Mail

Dear Connie,
I was looking for writing paper and Margaret gave me this.
I'm sending my check for the paper.

Noticed when the paper came today, the date. Have enjoyed the pictures and articles on the Sherman City Church. We used to go to Sherman City to the doctor in the first months of 1902. We settled on the (Smith) farm in 1900.

What happened to the Oddfellows Hall? That was also a landmark building, owned by Wm. Bell. He had a furniture store. The Oddfellows bought it. It's still summer here, but they say the cooler weather is coming down next week. We hope so, as it's expensive to run air conditioners.

We are enjoying our roses and passion flowers, and others that just stopped blooming.

I will try and write a letter soon. Margaret has been ill most of the summer, but she is feeling quite good now. She was hospitalized twice for tests. The tests relieved all our minds some. She is getting around and gardening some.

Take care of yourself, and keep up your good works.
Best Regards,

Maude Robinson
Florida

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SO THE MESSENGER MAY MAKE MISTAKES--BUT NOT IN ENGLISH GRAMMAR

So the last of last week we received one of those communications from one of those brave people who refuse to sign their names to complaints; this one pointing out that there were "at least two" errors in last week's paper.

So there were. One was a date-line error, and we didn't bother to hunt up the other.

One thing we can guarantee, and that is, the Messenger makes no grammatical mistakes in its editions.

That's all we're beefing about when we print one of those posterous grammatical errors in area and state papers; the "Nobody Ain't Gunna Know Eng-

lish--Nohow" heading with a soul-searing massacre of even the American version of the King's English.

Actually, we never "attack another newspaper," as the typed note stated. We attack the public schools, and the publications that take fresh graduates of journalism classes and put them in feature positions on newspapers.

Much as we're tempted sometimes, we refrain from "attacking" another publication.

We may hold one up to slight ridicule on reading an especially flagrant murder of English grammar, but we do not "attack" other papers.

We don't have to.

The papers, including the Detroit Free Press, tie their own nooses and climb blithely into 'em.

We still can't read mangled English without cringing, and occasionally blowing the old top.

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Dora Smith, Reporter

Tillie and Louise Schafer visited the Whitneys at the high-rise building in Mt. Pleasant, and also Olivia Halfman and Catherine Schumacher, Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Lane of Gary, Ind., called on Tillie Schafer Saturday.

Open House was held at the Bob Schafer home for Mr. and Mrs. Art Funnell, who celebrated their Golden Wedding anniversary Sunday.

Tillie Schafer spent Sunday at the Jerry Schafer home in Mt. Pleasant.

Betty and Karen Sunderman of Shepherd called on Louise Schafer Thursday. Orie Farmer of Mt. Pleasant was a Sunday caller.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Blasen and Theresa went to Lansing Sunday to visit Mr. and Mrs. Ron Smith and family.

Mrs. Carol Larry and family went to Detroit over the weekend to visit their old neighborhood friends.

Beal City JV football team played Lake City, winning 52-12.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Block and Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hauck visited Mr. and Mrs. Fred Sevoneil of Kankakee, Ill., a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Streng had supper with Mr. and Mrs. Tony Tilmann Wednesday evening.

Dora Smith spent Saturday with Mrs. Bernie Smith.

Beal City Varsity football team played Lake City Friday night, losing 7-6.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Rau and Mr. and Mrs. Rick Cotter went

sightseeing Sunday afternoon.

The bans of matrimony were announced Sunday for William Ziegler and Joyce Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Theisen had their auction Saturday.

Mrs. Fred Gould called on Mrs. Irene Zeien Wednesday.

Peggy Hauck and Leon Bowerman were married Saturday afternoon in a very beautiful wedding.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Engler are the proud parents of a baby girl, born last Thursday.

Harry Hauck was home from Texas for his sister's wedding.

Paul Simmer, Jr., and Jodi Sprague were married Friday evening, with a reception following at the K. C. Hall, which was attended by about 300 guests.

The Dominican Sisters are celebrating their 100 years of service. There was a gathering Sunday at the K. of C. Hall for nuns who are from here, and who have taught here in the past. Friends and relatives attended.

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Word has been received here that Blanche (Carr) Miller of Lansing fell and broke her hip. She is in Sparrow Hospital, Lansing, Room 703. Surgeons were expected to place a pin in the joint the first of the week.

In the Editor's Mail

Dear Connie:

I am enclosing \$8.00 for my subscription for the Messenger.

You can still send it to Ervin, same as before, as there are two Goldies on the route.

Also, let us know when the kids' subscriptions are out.

Thank you.

Mrs. Ervin (Goldie) Dutcher
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Dear Connie:

Enclosed is the money for the Messenger for another year. Don't know what I would do without it, as I get so lonely at times, and enjoy reading and saving the articles for my scrap book that I'm making for the Grandkids, about the olden days.

I'm enclosing a poem written by my 18-year-old granddaughter Michelle. She is now attending a fine arts college in Atlanta, Ga.

The second night there, they gave a banquet for all the girls, and invited the Georgia Tech boys a few blocks down the street to join them. She enjoyed that very much, and loves the five other girls she shares a room

with.

Love, and best wishes,
Mabel Chaffee

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Dear Connie:

Thought I'd better send my correct address so the postal department won't holler too loud.

Marie Swindlehurst, 1658 N. Mission Road, Mt. Pleasant.

I'm recovering from cataract surgery on both eyes, so hope you can read this. I'm still quite weak, but a little stronger each day.

Sincerely

Marie (Smith) Swindlehurst
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HAYRIDE AND WIENER ROAST FOR WINNING PIONEERS

The Winning Pioneers 4-H Club are holding their hay ride and bonfire party this Friday evening at the Andy Bellingier farm.

All members and leaders are invited. Hot dogs and beverage will be furnished by the club.

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WAUBENOO CHAPTER TO HAVE OPEN INSTALLATION

Waubenoo Chapter No. 360, OES, is holding Open Installation Saturday afternoon at 4 o'clock, at the Weidman Masonic Temple.

Pot-luck supper will follow. Everyone is welcome.

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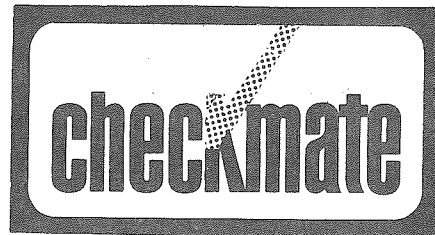
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Editor's Column

By Connie

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what a break that is! Rick knows machinery, he knows how to use a saw, an axe, and also he knows how to WORK! Cutting and stacking that stuff is a mean chore, but Rick got 'er done.

And I'm sitting pretty with my fireplace I can't light till evening and then I can tromp a busy trail in and out, carrying wood. But it warms the room.

Figure to cheat the gas company out of some excess profits on my heat bill this winter.

Ha!

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WOOD BURNING OUTFITS SELLING FAST HERE

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On the other hand, many are gathering up waste wood on their places, even in towns, and are using it in fireplaces and stoves.

The day of the wood-burning device has come full circle.

There's one drawback for many families turning to wood for heat: There are a couple of generations that know nothing of how to handle wood for fuel, how to build and maintain a safe wood fire, how to plan installation of wood-burning stoves and fireplaces.

A whole new set of people has got to be informed on the use of wood for fuel. It can be a boon or a disaster.

HOME PAPER FOR THE WEST HALF OF ISABELLA COUNTY

AUDUBON SERIES FEATURES FOUR COLOR FILMS

The Audubon Wildlife Film series is in full swing at Mt. Pleasant, the first occurring Oct. 9.

Nov. 13, Michigan's own Allen J. King will present "Song of the Northern Prairie."

Richard and Judy Kern will be on hand Dec. 4, with their fascinating "microsafari" titled

"Hidden Worlds of the Big Cypress Swamp".

Wrapping up the season Feb. 26 will be noted photographer Harry Pederson, whose work has appeared nationally in motion pictures and television. Filmed under the waters surrounding the Bahama Islands, Mr. Pederson's "Four Fathom World" will be an exciting finale.

The Audubon Wildlife films will be shown in Warriner Auditorium on the CMU campus in Mt. Pleasant. All films are Sunday programs, and will begin at 3 p.m. Advance sale economy tickets good for four admissions are available at Motorless Motion, Inc., 104 E. May Street, and the Pickwick store, 121 S. University Avenue in Mt. Pleasant.

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MAN ARRESTED FOR ASSAULT WITH FIREARM

Allen Miller of Weidman was put in the county jail for assault with a firearm and also assault with a knife.

He also was charged with two counts of careless use of firearms.

He was arrested by Sheriff's Department men when he was apprehended for assault with a deadly weapon involving Irene

Johnson.

He was arraigned in the 76th District Court and given a bond of \$1,000, but was being held in lieu of his posting the bond.

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BOB CALE INJURED IN CAR ACCIDENT

Robert Cale of Weidman was recovering in MCM Hospital after being injured when his car went out of control while west-bound on the Weidman Road at the intersection of Winn Road last Wednesday.

He apparently swerved to avoid hitting a pickup truck and skidded into the ditch before striking a telephone pole and rolling over twice.

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S. W. Sherman

Goldie Dutcher, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Les Rhodes of Grand Rapids spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher, Sr. They also visited Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher, Jr., in the eve-

ning.

Mr. and Mrs. Keith Dutcher and girls and Kevin Dutcher of Clarkston visited their grandparents, the Ervin Dutchers, Sr., Saturday.

Mrs. Evalina Hibberd and Imogene Forbes, Clayton Beutler and Marian Beutler spent one afternoon with them.

Clayton and I visited Ervin and Goldie Dutcher Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Secord of Holt had lunch with us last Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Dobson of New Era were Sunday visitors of the Gary Dutchers.

Clayton Dutcher and Russell Wilson visited Floyd Dutcher in Grand Rapids recently.

A Correction: Mr. and Mrs. Gary Dutcher, and not the Gary Gatehouses, visited the George Loomises.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Heckart are the proud parents of a baby girl, weighing eight and a half pounds, born Monday night, Oct. 24. This is the first great-grandchild for Clayton and me.

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