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# The Weidman Messenger

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## Editor's Column

By Connie

### NO PAPER NEXT WEEK

So next week, the first week of April, everyone on the Messenger staff takes a week's breather.

Including Ye Ed.

Whee.

We'll be back in circulation for the April 14 issue.

See yuh.

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### WE DO HAVE SOME TORNADO WARNING DEVICES

Fire Chief Spike Branson informs us, after reading last week's Messenger, that we do, too, have a tornado warning set-up.

Spike says there are 15 phones in the homes of 15 Firemen in Weidman, and the Firemen are warned from the Sheriff's department in Mt. Pleasant if there is any impending danger here from an approaching tornado.

Also, one of the fire trucks has a loud-speaker, which would be used in case of need for tornado-alerts.

Hokay. So let's all sleep better.

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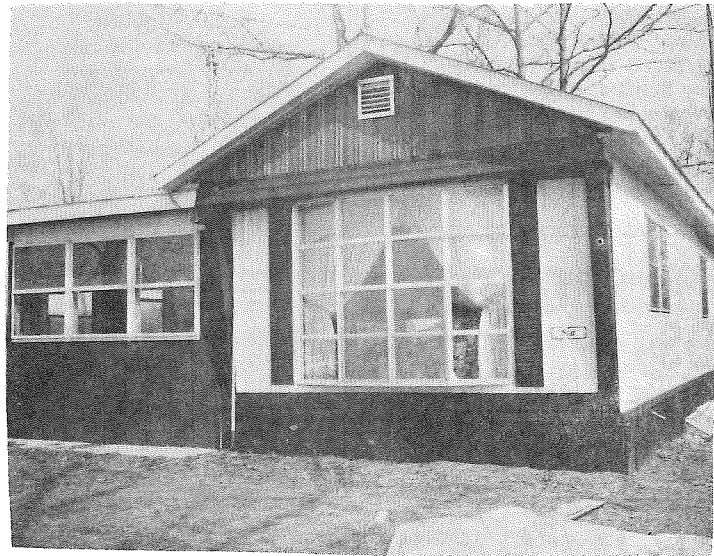
What wouldn't you give to hear one of our really good high school bands play an honest-to-goodness Sousa march; in other words, music with melody.

Apparently today's schools don't believe in traditional music, even if it's classical.

Well, I was raised on classical music (rebellng, in my teens and twenties) to the popular music of those days. It was music with rhythm, real words, and real tunes that stayed in one's head.

But I can see how kids go for the hard-rock so-called music. Chaotic sounds today are called music, and repetition of three or four notes, over and over, appears to be the core of attraction for the kids.

I'd give a party to hear a few Sousa marches by a high school



### WHAT TO DO WITH A MOBILE HOME: PUT A ROOF ON IT!--

That's just what Sonny Thelen has done, and it transforms a flat-topped, box-like building into a pretty conventional home (except that the mobile homes come complete with inside finish and furnishings). At left, above, is a small wing Sonny built on the mobile home, to contain a very efficient Franklin stove and breakfast table-- a mighty cozy room.

band.

To say nothing of the Hungarian Dances (Brahms), specifically Numbers Five and Six.

(One can dream, can't one?)

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### PUBLIC MEETING FOR WEIDMAN DAY

A public meeting will be held next Tuesday evening, April 5, at the Weidman Fire Hall, beginning at 7.30 p. m., to discuss the pros and cons of continuing Weidman Day celebrations, Bud Fredrickson, president of the Weidman Business Association, said this week.

An executive committee has been appointed by the WBA, and is ready to go into action on preliminaries of planning the day if the public is favorable to the project.

All persons in this area are cordially invited to attend and voice their opinions, and suggestions for bettering the celebration program.

### CHECKERS PLAYOFFS WERE TUESDAY NIGHT, SO WE MISS OUT REPORTING

So the Messenger misses out on reporting results of divisional playoffs in the checkers tournament taking place this week, as the playoffs occurred Tuesday evening, and this paper has been put to bed by that time.

We have some good players in this area--ask Bill Louisell--who are expected to make good accountings.

Bernard Pitts will play for the Weidman area and Mick Schmalbach for the Beal City area--both excellent players.

Good luck to us.

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### WEIDMAN LITTLE LEAGUE

The Weidman Little League is asking anyone interested in helping the League to meet at the Fire Hall in Weidman Tuesday, April 5, at 8 p. m.

If any boys have uniforms from last year, they may drop them off at Western Auto Store in Weidman.



THE LONGER VIEW OF A ROOFED MOBILE HOME--Sonny and Noreen Thelen enjoy the ranch-type look of their newly-done mobile home on West Baseline Road, south of Coldwater Lake. As can be seen, the new roof is a real one, with gabled ends to give it a dignity it hadn't had--the dignity of a house, and a good one. The roof is of steel material, but it doesn't look like

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## Coldwater Lake

Jean Schneider, Reporter

Our sympathy to the family of Clarence Ritter, who passed away last Thursday. He was buried Sunday at Two Rivers.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Coston, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Marchiando and Mr. and Mrs. Myron Esch went "Moonlite Bowling" Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Smith of Perrinton spent Saturday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Don Harter and family. They enjoyed dinner together, visited, and played cards.

Veer Buxton spent the weekend at his cottage, and also Dick and Leone Baker came up again for the weekend to work on their new addition.

It was a beautiful trip for the Don Harter family as they arrived home from seeing Florida, last Sunday. While there they stayed part of the time with Mr.

and Mrs. Maynard Isham of Bonita Springs, south of Fort Myers, on the Gulfside. They enjoyed every minute, the swimming, fishing, visiting Disney World, Busch Gardens, and a visit to Mammoth Cave in Kentucky on the trip back. What a way to spend an enjoyable week of warm sunny weather!

Mrs. Marjorie Dennis of Sidney visited the Dennis family for a couple of days this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Beck and Kim and Andy spent a very pleasant day Sunday as they went bowling and then to the movies.

Bob and Vivian Shelp spent the weekend at their cottage. Saturday evening they were guests of Jerome and Sheri Beck.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Atherton entertained Sharon Mooney of Lansing Sunday. She stopped by to visit on her trip back from Gaylord, where she had gone skiing.

Mr. and Mrs. Kuhlman of Ottawa, O., spent the weekend with

Mr. and Mrs. Walt Wischmeyer. Sunday afternoon they went out to dinner at the Coldwater Lake Inn.

Irene Wischmeyer of Lansing and Mr. and Mrs. Morris Whitmore of Shepherd spent Saturday evening visiting Walt and Della Wischmeyer.

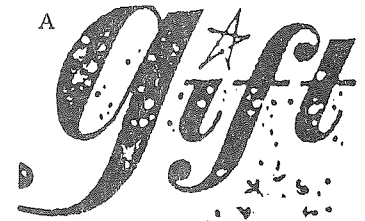
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## In the Editor's Mail

Dear Connie--

Do hope the amount of this check is O. K. Really do enjoy the paper, reading all about the old friends in Weidman and surrounding area.

Helen Bigelow  
Shepherd



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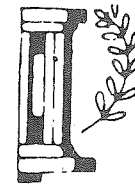
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## Want Ads

WANT AD RATES: 75 cents per week, unless very long. Over 1 inch in length, regular advertising rates. Cards of Thanks \$2.50, unless very long.

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## Notice

ANNUAL TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, That the ANNUAL MEETING of the Township Board of the Township below named will be held at the Nottawa Township Hall SATURDAY, APRIL 2, 1977, at 1 o'clock p. m.

For the purpose of making the Annual Settlement. All persons having claims against said Township are hereby notified to present the same to the undersigned on or before above named date.

TOWNSHIP OF NOTTAWA, County of Isabella, State of Michigan.

BERNARD RAU  
Township Clerk  
Mar24t2

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## Notice

ANNUAL TOWNSHIP MEETING NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, That the next Annual Township Meeting of the Electors of the Township of Sherman, County of Isabella, State of Michigan, will be held at

SHERMAN TOWNSHIP HALL Beginning at 2:00 o'clock P. M. Eastern Standard Time, on SATURDAY, APRIL 2, 1977 At such time, in addition to other regular business and in accordance with the law, a budget covering proposed expenditures and estimated revenues of the Township shall be submitted for consideration.

Signed: KEITH LOOMIS  
Township Clerk  
Dated March 21, 1977  
Mar31t1

## The Churches

WEIDMAN BAPTIST CHURCH (1 Mile West of Weidman)  
Pastor: Marvin Eldridge. Ph. 644-3504.  
Sunday School, 10 a. m.  
Morning Service, 11 a. m.  
Evening Service, 7.30 p. m.  
Friday, April 1, Family Banquet and 19th Anniversary Service, at Weidman School. 6 p. m. for the meal, with a program to follow.

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Floyd Dutcher entered the Veterans' Home in Grand Rapids last week. His address, for friends to write him, is 3000 Monroe Ave. NE., Grand Rapids 49505.

BETTER THAN A LETTER

## Obituary

### CLARENCE RITTER

Clarence Ritter died at his home on Jordan Road last Thursday, March 24, after a short illness. He was 55.

He was born in Pennsylvania Feb. 2, 1922. He had been employed by M&M Chevrolet Sales and Service in Mt. Pleasant.

He is survived by his wife, Lois; one son, Gordon, one brother, Andrew, of Royal Oak; and three grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Sunday, March 27, at 3 p. m. at the Crittenden Funeral Home in Remus, with Rev. Athel Lynch officiating. Burial was in the Two Rivers Cemetery.

His family have the deep sympathy of all. They have many friends in this reaa.

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## Obituary

### ROBERT LATHAM

Robert Latham died as a result of injuries suffered in an automobile accident on M-115 early Tuesday morning. He was 23.

He was alone in his car, going north on M-115 when he crossed the centerline, according to State Police, and collided with a semi truck going south, driven by Gerald Lee Harter of Northport, who was uninjured. The accident occurred at 1.30 a. m. Tuesday.

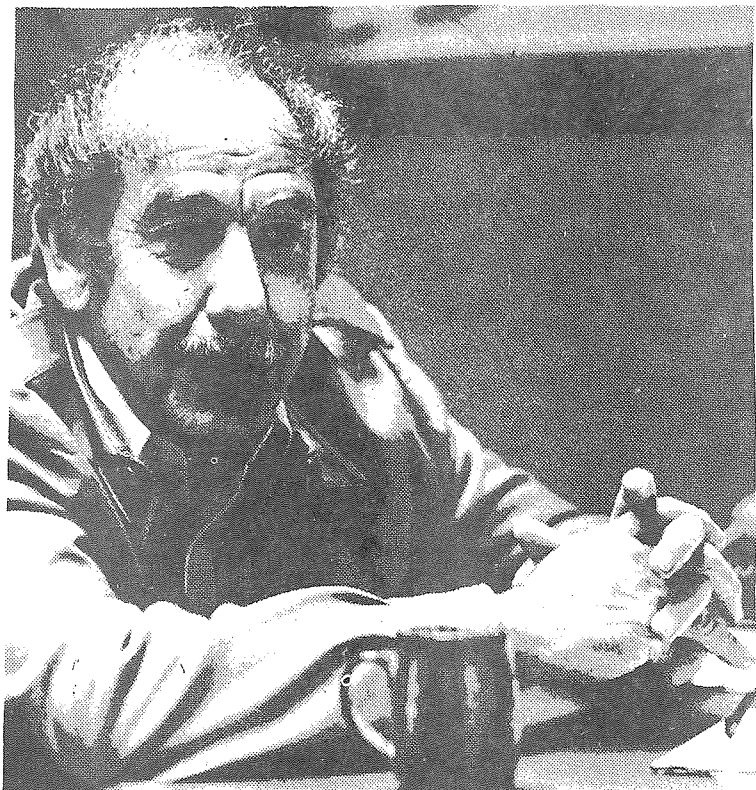
Tentative funeral arrangements have been made at the Daggett Funeral Home in Barryton for services at 11 o'clock Thursday morning, with Rev. Marvin Eldridge officiating. Burial was planned to be in the North Brinnton Cemetery.

Robert is survived by his wife, Ann; one son, David, five years old, and daughter Angela, two, both at home; Also surviving are his father, Alvin Latham; paternal grandmother, Mrs. Laura Latham, and maternal grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Lloy Sperry, of Weidman; four brothers, John of Weidman, Martin of Lake, Ron, in the Army at Fort Hood, Texas (scheduled for discharge this week), and Bill of Lake; and one sister, Mrs. John (Susan) Zuker, of Weidman.

Robert had lived his entire life in the Weidman area, and has many relatives and friends who will mourn his passing.

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Mrs. Bonnie Sprague took a car load of Winning Pioneers 4-H Club youngsters bowling Monday afternoon, after school.



Sun Photograph

**Norval Morey discusses energy**

Norval Morey, of Morbark Industries (he IS Morbark Industries), talked recently about using wood chips from waste wood in

farm lots and cutover forests where pulpwood cutters go in and leave clutters of debris of branches and trimmings. He's proposing that Michigan power companies use wood chips for their generators' fuel, a not impractical idea. We'd like to see him come up with an invention for a light-weight, cheap and relatively safe wood piece or log (including the 17-inch pieces for old wood-burning kitchen ranges). With his genius for labor-saving devices and salvage of waste material (wood chips are now being used in various ways of manufacture), we think he could come up with a household log that would be cheap enough for the average home-owner (not in the \$40,000 class) to use.

Sun Photograph

**Beal City**

Dora Smith, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Blasen visited Mr. and Mrs. Ron Smith of Lansing. Theresa Smith also was with them.

Mrs. Thelma Simmer and John and Stan and Mr. and Mrs. Don Simmer were in Florida the past week.

The funeral of Clarence Ritter was held Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. John Sheppard called on Mr. and Mrs. Joe Sheppard Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Rau called on Gertrude Grodski in Mt. Pleasant Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Milo Eldred of Winn spent Thursday evening with Tillie Schafer. Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Schafer of Mt. Pleasant were Friday evening guests. Mrs. Schafer spent Sunday with the Oscar Schafers.

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

June Schafer of Mt. Pleasant called on Louise Schafer Wednesday. Mrs. Evelyn Malish and girls of Mt. Pleasant spent Sunday with her.

Mrs. Mary Pung is home from

CMC Hospital, and is doing good.

Mrs. Renelda Klumpp hosted a houseware party Thursday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Tilmann and Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Pasch are home from vacationing in Jamaica.

Theresa Smith called on Deiores Gould Wednesday.

Walter Faber and his sister, Mrs. Charles Schmidt, are home after vacationing in New Mexico.

Mrs. June Blasen and Theresa Smith, called on Mrs. Kay Trowbridge of Midland Thursday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Murcure of Clare visited Mr. and Mrs. Joe Keiffer Sunday afternoon.

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**NEWS NOTES**

John Looman of Grand Rapids was a Saturday afternoon caller of Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Sprague and the Ronnie Sprague family. Mrs. Doris Sprague of Lansing and Margaret Judge of Winn were also callers.

George Miller, Dean of Finance at Mid Michigan Community College at Harrison, spent Friday with his folks, the Elwood Millers. He called on an old friend, Connie Skinner.

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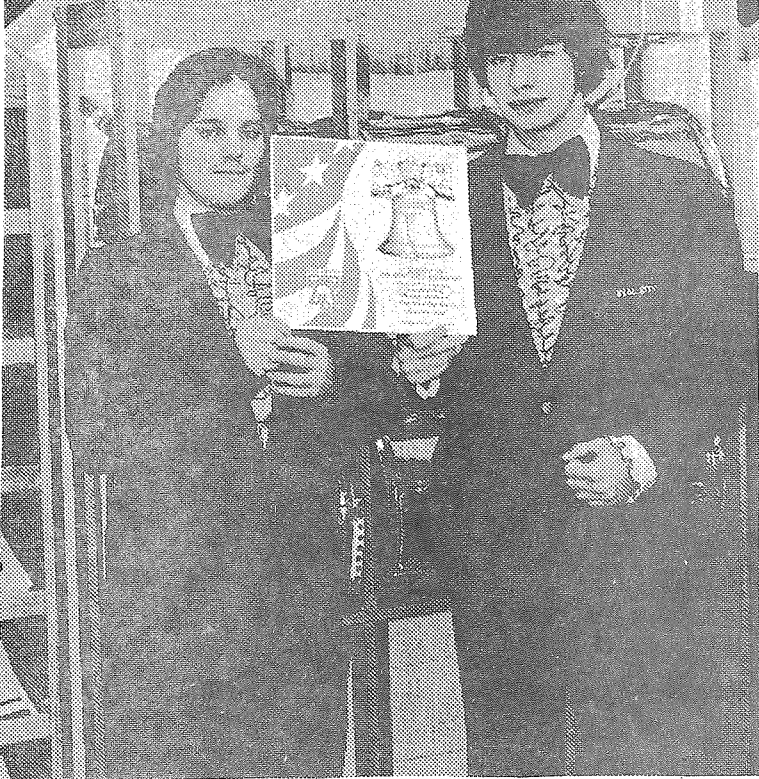


Photo by Dave Bueche

Under the direction of Conductor Ronald O'Neil, the Beal City Band recorded an album under the label of Recorded Publications Co., of Camden, N.J. All interested persons may contact the Beal City High School for purchase of the record, at a price of \$4.00.

The Beal City Band has performed at various celebrations, including Fourth of July festivities at Mt. Pleasant, and the CMU Homecoming parades.

The band started in the fall of 1968, when the school board decided that money would be available for the program.

Richard Pennington, with band experience in high school and college, volunteered to develop what was the beginning of the band program at Beal City.

He set up a beginners' program and designed a band room facility for future rehearsals.

The beginners' program was under way in the spring semester of 1969. Various band directors were interviewed for the position

of band leader and instructor, and Ronald O'Neil was chosen. He began work in the summer of 1969. From its beginning, the Beal City Band has achieved outstanding musical performances.

Fifth and sixth grade bands are training units where students learn fundamentals of music and instruments.

The Junior High Band (seventh and eighth grades), is a concert unit which performs throughout the year.

The Senior High School Band is the pride of the Beal City area. The Marching Aggies perform at all home football games and basketball games.

The Stage Band is a jazz-rock group where skills in playing popular music are taught.

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### Brinton News

Frances Beck, Reporter

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. LaVerne Forbes, on the

birth of a son, Laverne Virgil, who was born at CMC Hospital Friday. Mother and baby were doing fine, returning home Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Bowen and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Brooks of near Clare left Sunday morning by plane, for Minnesota. They attended activities of the Federal Land Bank.

Mr. and Mrs. Herb Hanson of Big Rapids called on Mr. and

Mrs. Ray Geasler Thursday. Larry Strang returned to Saginaw to his work Monday, after being home with a strep throat for some time.

Weekend guests of Jane Fields and Tony Bartlett were Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Fields and family and Henry Fields and family, of Grand Rapids.

Jane was in Clare and Evart Monday, where she called on her doctors.

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## Around Horr

Jessie Rosencrantz, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Martin spent the weekend at Copemish with her father. They attended the funeral of Clarence Ritter at Remus Sunday.

Bob Thompson and Miss Shirley Fox spent Saturday evening at the Phil Dent home.

Bill Thompson, a disk jockey, played the music for a dance at the Presbyterian Church in Mt. Pleasant Friday evening. It was a benefit dance for the Maranacha Singers at CMU.

Mr. and Mrs. Garth Lawrence and Pam were Sunday dinner guests of his mother, Mrs. Nettie Lawrence.

Mrs. Merle Scott of Evart and Mrs. Don Schutt and son of Cadillac were Saturday afternoon luncheon guests of Mrs. Lawrence.

Mrs. Lawrence called on her brother and wife, the Ed Grabers of Farwell, last Wednesday.

Neil Moore and Dorothy Covert and Mildred Huffman were Sunday callers of the Paul Millers.

Theron Merrihew and Charlie Losey called at the Alva Cum-

mins home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Wood spent the weekend in Auburn, Ind., with Mrs. Wood's sister.

Callers of Mr. and Mrs. Mack Denslow Sunday were Mrs. Joyce Chaffee and her daughter, Barbara, and children, and Tammy Denslow.

Harold Losey, Mr. and Mrs. Theron Merrihew, and Gerald Losey were Sunday guests at the Charlie Losey home.

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## North Weidman

Elvah Gott, Reporter

Mrs. Marge Burgess and daughter, Lottie Poquette, and Zena Olger called on Mr. and Mrs. Sim Riggs of Farwell Saturday. Zena Olger and Opal Denslow had dinner with Mrs. Lottie Poquette Saturday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Dale Letson called on Zena Sunday.

Mrs. Laura Latham attended a birthday party for her sister, Rosie Leiter, at Riverview Apartments in Mt. Pleasant last Sunday. Laura spent Wednesday and Thursday with Minnie Flaucher.

Albert Gott and two friends

called on us Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Harold Scott called Sunday and had dinner with us.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Gott and family had dinner with us a week ago last Sunday. Mrs. Ruth Huber and boys called one day last week. John's sister, Mrs. Anna Kochensparger, and Mrs. Elaine Mercer and daughter, Robin, and a friend called on us Saturday afternoon.

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## Local Items

Friday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Sprague were Mr. and Mrs. Harland Snider. Saturday Patricia Straus spent the day with her Grandpa and Grandma. Afternoon callers were Mr. and Mrs. Fred Straus and Micky and Dottie.

Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Snyder and children of St. Louis spent Sunday with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Wilson.

Mrs. Claribel Beutler was a Sunday dinner guest at the home of her son, Howard, and family.

Mrs. Katie Cohoon of Shepherd was a last Tuesday afternoon visitor of Mrs. Nina Forbes. Mrs. Charles Huffman and two children of Mt. Pleasant and Mrs. Alan Bahr were visitors during the week, and were Saturday dinner guests.

Tim McArthur was scheduled to go to Saginaw St. Mary's Hospital this Wednesday to have the wires in his jaws removed. It has been a long time for Tim, close to two months, having to have only liquid meals. He suffered facial fractures in a snowmobile accident in February. His parents, the Gene McArthurs, plan to be with him at the hospital. He expected to be home the same day.

Mr. and Mrs. Emil Phillips enjoyed a ride to Gladwin with the Lloy Sperrys Saturday. They had

dinner there.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Smith of Bay City called on their uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Smith, last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Sprague spent Friday afternoon with George Looman of rural Remus.

Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell McArthur were heading for Florida Monday, after visiting their brother, Stuart, and family, at Alexandria, Va. They attended the funeral of the wife of Stuart's son, Stuart Charles, who was killed in an automobile accident. Stuart Charles suffered a broken neck.

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### S. W. Sherman

Goldie Dutcher, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Rick Maeder and sons called on the Jim Dutchers Tuesday evening.

Kim Dutcher attended a birthday party for Holly Denslow Friday evening, and stayed over night.

Barbara and Patti Dutcher visited the Theodore Cases Sunday afternoon.

Dale and Gail Dutcher came up Monday, and Gail helped with some wall washing.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Dutcher and Chris and Jon visited us Thursday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Les Rhode of Grand Rapids spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher, Sr. They called on the Ervin Dutchers, Jr.

Chad and Craig Dutcher spent Saturday evening with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher, Jr.

Ronna Dutcher called on Mabel Chaffee one evening last week.

Robert and Rex Dutcher, Gary Dutcher, Richard and Patti Dutcher, and Shelly Dutcher visited us during the week.

Shelly Dutcher spent Friday over night and Saturday with Patti Dutcher.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Howe and Joyce and Walter and Clayton Dutcher visited the Jim Dutchers Thursday evening.

Lois Hines called one afternoon on the Ervin Dutchers, Sr.

Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher, Sr., called on us one afternoon last week.

Don and Mary Swan of Mt. Pleasant visited Harry and Bea Gatehouse during the week.

Jim Beutler and Carl and Claribel Beutler all had Sunday din-

ner together.

Diane Beutler was a guest of her cousin, Carol Tibbetts, for the weekend. She acted as Little Sister for Carol at the Alma College, which Carol attends.

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### West Gilmore

Lena Cole, Reporter

Mrs. Glenn Dean called on the Paul Coles Thursday evening.

Margaret Straus got hurt at school last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Dean visited their brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Straus, last Thursday.

Mrs. Pat Masiwchuk received word that her father was in the hospital, and her mother was back in a rest home.

Velma Cole visited her doctor Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Sebastian Pfannes visited his brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. August Hoske, Thursday.

We welcome Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Rhode to our street. They have a beautiful home on West Coleman Road.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Pfannes of rural Harrison spent Saturday with their brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Sebastian Pfannes.

Mrs. Albert Geasler got the reports on her tests, and got the report that all are good. We are glad to hear that.

Mr. and Mrs. George Cornell and children of Beaverton and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cornell of Gladwin visited their brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Geasler, Saturday.

Mrs. Melody Reed and children and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Klosen visited their brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Nor-

man Geasler, Wednesday.

Sunday dinner guests of the Paul Coles and Velma were Mr. and Mrs. Sebastian Pfannes and Mr. and Mrs. Dan Kripa. Steve Kripa was a caller.

Mr. and Mrs. Tony Masiwchuk

went to Bloomingdale for a few days, due to the illness of her parents.

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steel--it's a dark-red color, blending beautifully with the rest of the building. Sonny worked with Alvin Wilson, an independent builder living south of Mt. Pleasant. Materials for the "A-frame" roof for a 14'x70' trailer home included 2x6 trusses, corrugated sheet metal 38'x8', and facial trim. The material cost \$1,600. But--Sonny's roof will never need painting, nor a new shingle job. He says the colors of the material he used come in white, green, and the dark red he chose. He says an "A-roof" eliminates wind rumbles, so prevalent in trailer homes with flat roofs. The roof also is easier on fuel bills, as it helps keep the house warm. And the trailer-house with an A-roof is a stronger unit in high winds. Messenger photos

#### HERE ARE DESIGNATED TROUT STREAMS NEARBY

Here's a list of designated trout streams in Isabella County.

Delaney and Walker Creeks and tributaries from Vernon Road (Coldwater Township).

Sucker Creek upstream from Littlefield Lake (Gilmore Township).

Schofield Creek and tributaries up from Vernon Road (Gilmore Township).

Indian Creek up from Lake Isabella (Broomfield and Sherman Townships).

Squaw Creek upstream from River Road (Broomfield Township).

Main Branch of Pine River (Rolland Township).

Pony Creek from Pine River upstream to Millbrook Road (Rolland Township).

Skunk Creek (Rolland Township).

Cedar Creek upstream from Chippewa River (Deerfield and Fremont Townships).

Persons who own waterfront property who wish to do any filling, dredging or placing of seawalls or other structures below the water line must get a permit from the Department of Natural Resources at Gladwin, ph. (517) 426-9205.

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#### SENIOR CLASS ROCKATHON

The Senior Class of Chippewa Hills High School is holding a "rockathon" on Weidman's street this Saturday to raise money for their graduation expenses.

If weather is bad, they'll be at Allen Lumber Company's office.

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#### GRASS FIRES PLAGUE FIRE DEPARTMENTS

The Nottawa and Sherman Volunteer Fire Department is among many others being plagued by the more-than-usual grass fires.

Saturday afternoon the local Firemen were called out to a grass fire east of the Lake Isabella airport.

Last Thursday they were called to a field-fire about a mile north of M-20.

The Nottawa and Sherman Volunteer Fire Department was called to the Bill Block home on Baseline Road shortly before noon Tuesday when strong winds caused a wire on a nearby power pole to short against another wire and started a fire on the power pole.

The fire reached the Block home when the wind carried burning embers from the pole to

the house. Local Firemen managed to save the house from total destruction, with damages estimated at about \$10,000. This included some water damage in the house.

A burning permit is mandatory at this time of year, and is in effect now for all planned fires except those in safety-approved containers.

You can get a burning permit by calling Merle Aldrich of the DNR, ph. 773-5713.

Object of the burning permit law is to let the DNR and other capable agencies know location of planned burnings so they can be on the alert to help if needed.

That's all there is to the burning permit. It's to let expert fire fighters know where you're planning to start a trash or brush fire so they can help if needed.

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