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Editor's Column

By Connie

WHAT DO YOU KNOW ABOUT BEES?

Two weeks ago today, Ye Ed, Frances Tranbarger and Rick McArthur rowed over to the island in Lake of the Hills, object to mark some trees for selective cutting.

Rick beached the boat and stepped on shore, followed by Frances--who stepped into a bees' nest on the ground.

Ye Ed was in the stern of the beached boat, while everybody tried to fight off the swarms.

The bees were such as none of us had ever seen before: About half as big as yellow-jackets, but not yellow; brown or black (who could tell, fighting as we were to try to keep from being stung too much?), they attacked like yellow-jackets, but they weren't yellow-jackets.

Everybody got stung but good, before the two on land got back into the boat, shoved off and went to another landing.

Ye Ed got stung just under her right eyebrow, close to her eye.

It hurt like the dickens, that evening, and so I called Lou Fiorillo at his home, and he said he was going back to his new store anyhow, and would round me up an antihistimine salve to ease the pain. Which he did and it did.

But next morning the stung spot itched liked no itch you ever felt. All of us suffered that intolerable itching.

And Ye Ed noticed that her right eye was affected by her close work, on typewriter and drawing board. Couldn't afford to lose eyesight, so we called Dr. Kowaleski and ran down Wednesday afternoon--a week after the stinging episode--and Doc met us at the office on his off day, gave us a shot and some pills, and we've been "doctoring" the darn thing ever



DESPITE THE FACT IT WAS THE LABOR DAY WEEKEND-- The Beal City Knights of Columbus annual chicken barbecue dinner was a sellout, as usual. In the photo above, Joyce Schafer helps preside over the delectable pie tables at the dinner at the K. C. Hall. Messenger photo

We didn't get many photos at Beal City Sunday, as the air was hazy, and that's murder for polaroid pictures.

But the crowds were there, and everyone enjoyed the sumptuous home-cooked and home-prepared dishes, besides the half-chicken off the barbecue spits.

There were the usual booths and offerings, including the usual pig and lamb to bet your dollar on, guessing its weight.

There was bingo all day, in the shaded addition at the back

since.

Does anyone know what kind of bees those were?

That's the burning question--besides the stung spots when they start to itch.

Dr. Kowaleski said in a telephone conversation last week that that "Thank You" ad in the Chippewa Hills Courier was not paid for with school (taxpayers') money, but was paid for by individual members of the Board who signed it.

Whew. That should settle a lot of resentment engendered by that simple little ad.

of the hall. And the bingo was highly patronized, as usual.

We noticed Bud Fredrickson in the role of barbecue-spit hand, and there probably were other Weidman folks helping out.

The pig, a good-sized fat-looking porker lying down in its crate, was donated by the following: Bud's Party Store, Weidman; Herman's Garage, Tilmann's Hardware, both in Beal City, and Fox Hardware in Weidman.

The pig had four winners on guessing its weight: Isabella Martin, Jack Fussman, Ron Thielen of Pewamo, and Bernie Riley of Weidman. The pig was sold and the money divided among the four winners. It weighed 221 pounds.

Bingo games went exceptionally well, as did also booths and side stands of various kinds.

Ten \$100 prizes were handed out on a raffle to Randy Schafer, Cecilia Simmer, Bob Bleise, Jane Cross, Raldon Pasch, Everett Schafer, Ed Zuker, Neal Tilmann, and John Engler.

All in all, it was the usual wonderful Beal City Knights of Co-

REMEMBER THE BRINTON DANCES?-- THERE'S ONE COMING UP

Many around here will remember the old Saturday night dances at the Brinton Hall.

There's one coming up soon, Saturday evening, Sept. 24, and it's promised that there'll be old-time music and old-time dancing, as well as whatever folks want.

A highly-rated dance band has been secured, and it features accordions, fiddles, drums of course, and then whatever.

You can square dance, polka, or just plain do the latest hop-skip-and-jump dance, to appropriate music.

Proceeds will go entirely toward completion of the renovation of the Sherman City Union Church.

Refreshments are provided with the price of the tickets.

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WEIDMAN ARCHERY RANGE OPENS THIS WEEK

Leon and Carol Schafer are opening the beautiful new archery range here this week, with a big Open House Saturday and Sunday.

The location is the former site of the Weidman Pharmacy, corner of Main and Woodruff in downtown Weidman.

It's been redone beautifully, and is a fully equipped and adequate archery range.

They're having Open House this Saturday and Sunday.

The Schafers also have a thriving sport and bait business in an addition to their home on South Woodruff in Weidman.

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NEWS NOTES

Mrs. Rose Showalter of Mt. Pleasant, mother of Helen Flower and Jean McArthur, is in CMC Hospital with a slipped disc. Mr. and Mrs. David Flower visited her Sunday evening. She was in traction.

BETTER THAN A LETTER

lumbus day, and everyone thoroughly enjoyed it.

LAKE ISABELLA

Ruth Yabs, Reporter

TRI COUNTY ELECTRIC COMPANY MEETING

The annual meeting at Portland, Mich., was held Aug. 31.

Attending as delegates from Lake Isabella were Arthur Chomestek, Leonard Ackerman, Anthony Gretch, with their wives.

The trustees for next year were elected, then a question period followed, with much discussion as to why our electric bills are so high.

Our electricity is purchased from other companies whose rates are allowed by the Michigan Securities Commission. This is all passed on to us, the users.

After the meeting a delicious dinner was served all delegates and wives.

Ted Kraus has just returned from Detroit, where he attended the Court Officers' seminar at the

33rd Precinct in Southgate. This was a four-day seminar for District Court officers. Presiding Judge Sopra of Southgate will now be going to the Kellogg Center in Lansing for a weapons inspection seminar, in December. While in Detroit, Ted stayed with his sister, Ruth Rockman, and he also visited Jesse Edmonds in Grosse Pointe, who also has a home here at Lake Isabella.

Last Fling--Before the school year for many families takes places over the Labor Day weekend. This year, for a new experience, the Robert Mays went to the "Fat Cats" campout at Hillsdale Fairgrounds. Joining them were Joe and Stella Mays of Belding, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Hotlings of Greenville, and Bob and Mary Lousunger of Muncie, Ind.

Elma June's grandmother, Iva (Milliken) Neely, who lives at Hesperia and is 94 years young, told on a recent visit here that she was born near Hillsdale, at Summerset Center.

As a side trip of interest, they

drove to the area, and as a step back in time, found the gravesite of Mrs. Neely's 2 1/2-year-old brother, who died the day after she was born.

They also found the site of her grandmother's grave: Interesting things can be learned of one's family and their hard times, as you search the past.

Did you know that because it was difficult to raise a child, especially boys, through their first year, that parents often didn't name the child until its first birthday? This accounts for so many "Baby" stones of the 1800s and earlier, which simply read, "Baby Boy Smith," etc.

All this makes us realize the true value of education. What wonderful advances have been made in medical science!

This closing long holiday season found many home-owners at

their homes and camping areas for the last summer fling, even with the weather not all sunny. Our weekend friends found what we who live here enjoy all year 'round--a beautiful, restful place.

Among the campers was our son, Edwin Yabs, and family of DeWitt. They really enjoyed the camping area for a couple of nights. A fishing afternoon and swimming in the lake also were enjoyed.

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NEWS NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Smith enjoyed music at Tubbs Lake Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Smith spent the holiday weekend in Canada.

Mr. and Mrs. Garth Lawrence and Pam were Sunday afternoon callers of Mrs. Helen Smith and Ula Cummins.

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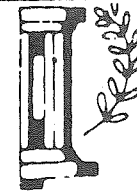
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Dora Smith, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Schafer spent the weekend at Strawberry Lake.

Mr. and Mrs. Arvid Dalquist, Mildred Jacquily and Mrs. Frances Hill, Marie Laubenthal, Harold Schafer, Tillie Greenberg of Cadillac, Mr. and Mrs. John Stek of Lake City, attended the funeral of Matie Pung last Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Grinzinger and Monica Grinzinger spent last Thursday with friends in Grand Rapids.

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Lane of Gary, Ind., spent the weekend with the Bob Schafers.

Mr. and Mrs. Ron Malish spent Sunday with Louise Schafer.

Betty and Ruth Sunderman of Shepherd called on Louise Schafer Saturday.

Fr. Noeker, his mother, Mrs. Frank Noeker, of Jackson, called on Tillie Schafer Sunday.

Rev. Fr. Hart is the new pastor at St. Joseph's Church. Fr. Dueweke went to Hemlock.

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Goffnett visited Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gould Saturday evening.

The parents of Mr. and Mrs. Dick Larry and Mrs. Larry's brother were out over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Zeien attended the Elks golf outing and dinner Saturday evening.

Ed Faber and Leona and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Lawens visited Lou's Rau Friday evening.

Fr. Noeker and his mother, Lena, of Jackson visited Mr. and Mrs. Walter Rau Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Mercure of Clare visited Mrs. Veronica Keiffer last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Fortino of Mt. Pleasant called on Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gould Tuesday evening.

Mrs. Dorothy Gould visited Mrs. Delores Gould Wednesday afternoon.

Paul and Sophie Schafer drove to the Upper Peninsula Thursday to visit some of Sophie's cousins.

Mr. and Mrs. Steve Pung, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Theisen, Mr. and Mrs. Rick Klumpp and Mr. and Mrs. George Thielen went to Canada over the long weekend.

Dalmoc, the bicycle group, rode through Beal City Friday.

They were making 100 miles that day, and their destination was the Mackinac Bridge by Labor Day.

Fred Gould and Deb Rau attended CMU's football game against Alcorn, Miss. The CMU team won, 39-7.

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THEY'LL BE MARRIED--Joyce Smith, daughter of Don and Louise Smith, will become the bride of William Ziegler, son of Lawrence and Alice Ziegler, of Ann Arbor, in a ceremony at St. Joseph the Worker Church in Beal City on Saturday, Nov. 5. Joyce is a Registered Nurse working at CMC Hospital at Mt. Pleasant, and William is a marine

biologist, at present employed in Benton Harbor. Both are graduates of the University of Michigan.

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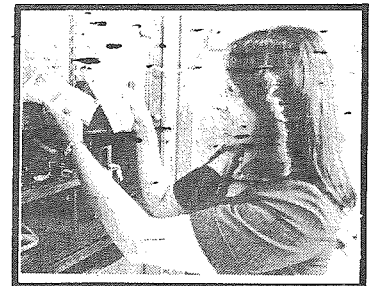
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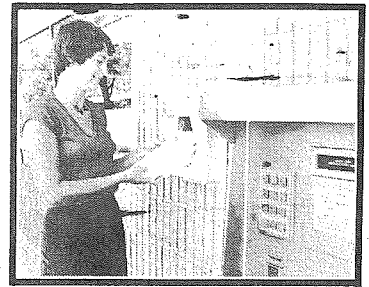
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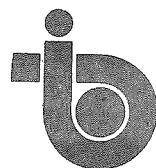


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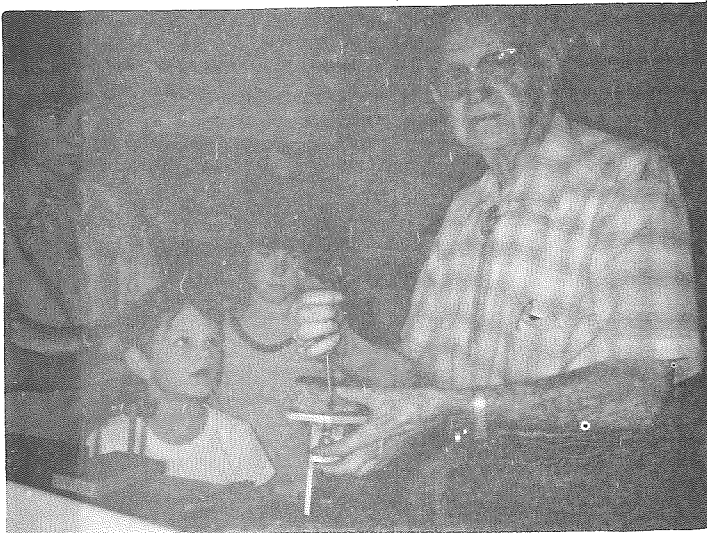
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FRANK THORP--Rock Hound Supreme. He's 87 years old, and is Lapidary Chairman of the Indian Wells Valley Gem and Mineral Society. He lives with his oldest son, Bill, at Ridgcrest, nearby the Naval Center, where the rock hounds comb the ground for semi-precious stones on which to work. He's been Chairman of the society for the past 12 years. The Society has 150 active members. Frank has lived in California the past 16 years, but many here remember him.



FRANK TEACHES YOUNGSTERS--How to work with semi-precious stones. Above, he's working with Tony Babbitt of Colorado, Mike Thorp of California, and Ron Swanson of Beal City, Mich. Frank's address is: Box 2052, Ridgcrest, Calif. 93555.

BEAL CITY SENIORS HAVE 14 TABLES AT PLAY

At their regular Thursday card party last week, the Beal City Senior Citizens had 14 tables of pepper at play.

Kate Martin won first prize for the ladies, with Mary McTaggart second and Ruth Gallagher low.

Stub Beutler won first for the

men, with Isadore Schafer second and Joe Lawens low.

Agnes Sheahan won the pepper prize. Mildred Young won the door prize.

A special prize, a box of small yellow tomatoes, was won by Rose Cotter.

The committee, composed of Hulda Stevens, Bertha Schumacher, Helen Schumacher, Ger-

trude Gross, Mildred Young and Rose Keiffer, served donuts and coffee for refreshments.

The next card party at the K. C. Hall in Beal City will be Thursday afternoon, Sept. 15. Everyone is invited to attend.

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West Gilmore

Lena Cole, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Kripa and Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Seiter of Rosebush called on the Paul Coles Saturday evening. It was nice to hear that the Seiders had retired from teaching at Flat Rock, and are building a new home on their farm on East Vernon Road.

Mrs. Helen Jobs of Owosso spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Sebastian Pfannes.

Mr. and Mrs. Tony Masiwchuk returned home Thursday evening after several days spent with her parents and other relatives near Grand Rapids.

Little Jennie Yambrick, granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sebastian Pfannes, will enter Ann Arbor Hospital Sept. 21 for a new pacemaker. The one she is wearing now just isn't up to par. Please, all remember little Jennie in your prayers.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Kripa's sister, Mary, who spent some time with them, returned to her home Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bess Pfannes and

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Kripa spent Sunday evening with the Paul Coles.

Mr. and Mrs. Kripa called on Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Seider Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Semanski spent several days at their cabin on Coleman Road.

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Local Items

Ted Nutt from Texas and Floyd Ferguson of St. Louis called on Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Smith Monday afternoon, Labor Day. They were neighbors of the Smiths when they lived out near Horr.

Mr. and Mrs. Louie Cain returned from their honeymoon trip to Kansas and had dinner with her mother, Mrs. Wanda Graham, Sunday. Becky Sowle of Mt. Pleasant and Tom La Forge of Kentucky, and Mrs. Elvah Gott also were guests.

Mrs. Elvah Gott entertained the Birthday Club at her new home, the former Hermione Smith house, in Weidman., Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Bloom of Zephyrhills, Fla., spent from Tuesday till Thursday with Mrs. Helen Smith and Ula Cummins.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Wilson visited his sister, Irene, and her husband, Earl Dutcher, in Breckenridge, last Thursday.

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Aug. 25tf

Smokey Says:



Obituary

KAREN BERRYHILL EARL
Karen Berryhill Earl of Laingsburg died Friday in St. Lawrence Hospital, Lansing, after a Caesarian operation. She was 29.

Karen was a 1966 graduate of the Weidman High School, and has many friends here.

She was the daughter of John and Dorothy Berryhill of Broomfield.

She is survived by her husband, Larry; two sons, Michael, seven, and Mark, eight, and the baby girl who also survived; her mother, Mrs. John Berryhill; two brothers, Robert and Patrick Berryhill, both of Mt. Pleasant; her grandmother, Mrs. Aloise Berryhill, also of Mt. Pleasant, and her maternal grandmother, Mrs. Mary Price, also of Mt. Pleasant.

She was a niece of Gladys Navarre, and has many relatives in this area.

Funeral services were held Monday at St. Leo's Catholic Church in Winn. Burial was in St. Leo's Cemetery at Winn.

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Card of Thanks

We wish to thank each and every one for the kindness extended to our family in our recent loss of our mother, grandmother and great-grandmother; A special thanks to Father Dueweke, Father Neubecker, the Medical Care Facility, Crittenden Funeral Home;

Our friends and neighbors for food, flowers, Masses, and the ladies who prepared the dinner. May God bless you.

The Family of
Mary (Matie) Pung

In the Editor's Mail

Hi:
I see by my paper my subscription runs out in September, so here is my \$11.00 for another year.

Got to keep up with what goes on in Weidman and around the countryside.

Mary V. Bates
Lansing

P. S. --Say Hello to my sister, Minnie Reed.

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The Churches

WEIDMAN BAPTIST CHURCH
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Pastor: Marvin Eldridge, phone 644-3504.

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Morning Worship, 11 a. m.
Youth Service, -6. 15 p. m.
Evening Worship, 7 p. m.
Prayer Meeting (Wednesday), 7. 30 p. m.

GILMORE CHURCH OF CHRIST
Corner Coleman and Vandecar Roads, Gilmore Township.
George Getchel, minister. Ph. 588-9731.

Morning Worship, 9. 30 a. m.
Bible School, 10. 45 a. m.
Evening Worship, 7 p. m.

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Sunday School and Bible Class 9. 15 a. m.
Divine Worship, 10. 45 a. m.

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Corner of Brinton and Stevenson Lake Roads.

James Weber, Pastor.
Sunday School, 10 a. m.
Church School, 11 a. m.
Midweek Services Thursday, 7. 30 p. m.

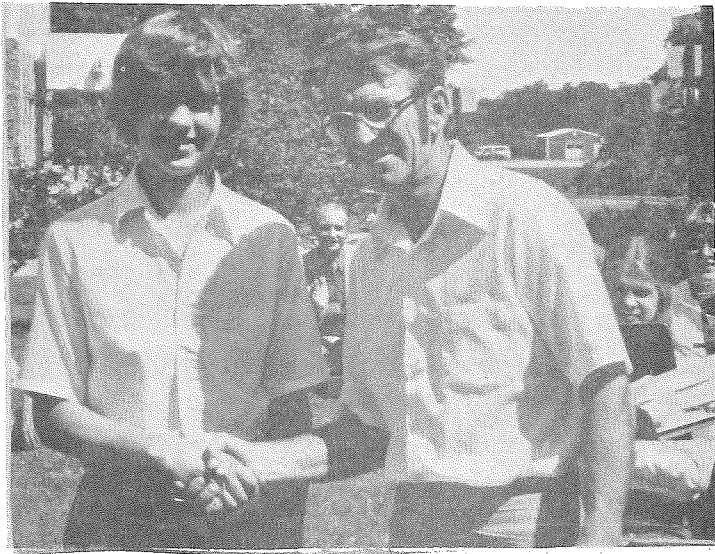
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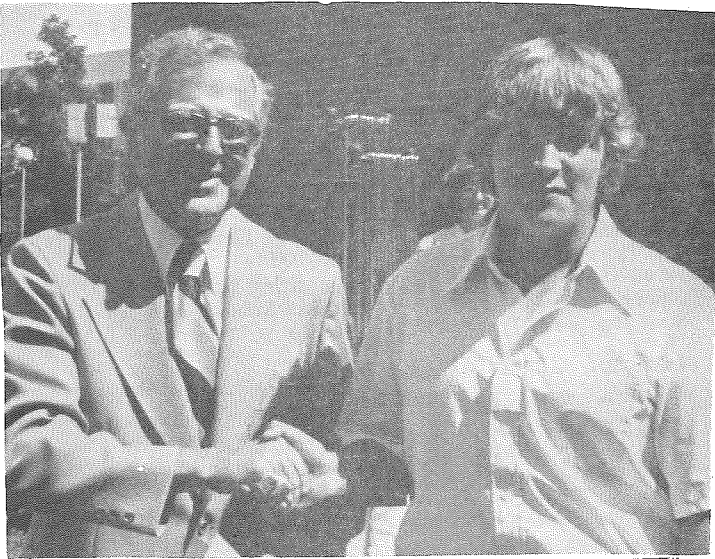
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PAT DE WITT



WES SCOTT

Wesley Scott, trumpet player from Lake, and Patrick DeWitt, clarinet player from Weidman, received scholarships from Grand Valley State College's Per-

forming Arts Center as the summer band camp ended on a happy note.

Wesley Scott received a \$200 scholarship to attend Grand Val-

ley during the 1978-79 school year. Patrick DeWitt received a \$50 scholarship to attend the next Grand Valley State college's summer band camp.

Wesley, a Senior at Chippewa Hills High School, has played trumpet with the marching band and high school orchestra for the past five years. He also has been the recipient of a \$50 band award through the Chippewa Hills High School.

Patrick DeWitt, a Junior at the high school, won first place honors at state competition, and has played with the Chippewa Hills band the past four years.

Wesley Scott is the son of Mrs. Anne Scott, Lake. Patrick DeWitt is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred DeWitt of Weidman.

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Around Horr

Jessie Rosencrantz, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Garth Lawrence and Pam spent Sunday with his mother, Mrs. Nettie Lawrence, and had dinner with her. They also called on Mrs. Treva Cummins and Bill.

Mrs. Irene Keck of Ashley spent the weekend with the Joe Martins.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Dent returned home last Thursday from a three weeks' vacation in Idaho.

Saturday they called on Mabel's brother, Walter Kirvan, and family. They also called at the hospital to see their grandson.

Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Mix and his daughter and husband were Sunday guests, with Mr. and Mrs. Pat Dillenbeck, of Gerald and Mabel. Austin and Ida May Dent were Friday evening callers. The Harold Krueger and Lynn Johnson families were also Sunday guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Ergo of Royal Oak spent the weekend at the Jim Thompson home.

Bob Thompson, Jim Strong and

Tim and Lance Workman spent the weekend in Canada.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Fahnestock and Robert, Jr., spent the weekend with his folks, the Charles Fahnestocks.

Harold Losey was a Friday visitor of his folks, the Charlie Loseys. Sunday evening callers were Mr. and Mrs. Theron Merrihew, Mr. and Mrs. Don Merrihew and Greg and Brenda, Mr. and Mrs. Chuck Tiedeman, and Christy and Cheryl, and Gerald and Beth Losey, and Jason Chapman.

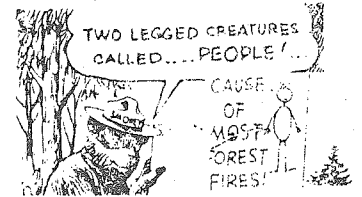
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Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Allen, Sr., of Lansing were Tuesday morning visitors of Mrs. Elvah Gott.

Mr. and Mrs. Emil Phillips visited their doctor in Barryton last Tuesday.

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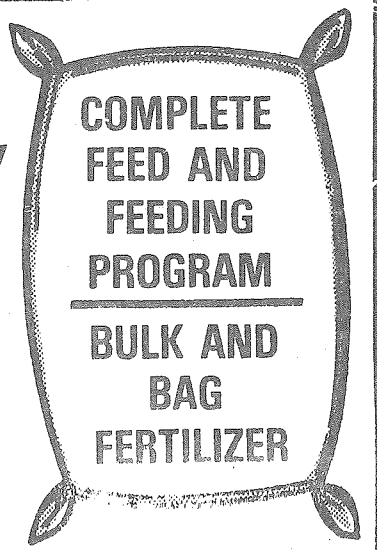
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Brinton News

Frances Beck, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. George Knorr and boys of Lansing spent the weekend with her mother, Edna Teeter. Mrs. Teeter joined Mr. and Mrs. Earl Place and attended graveside services at the Flake Cemetery Sunday for Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Webster, who were killed in a car accident. They were old friends of Mrs. Teeter, and former residents of Barryton. Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Butts of Saginaw were weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Larry Strang and family. They all attended the Farwell celebration Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Jessie Fields of Grand Rapids were weekend guests of their mother, Jane Fields, and uncle, Tony Bartley. Jesse, Jr., and Andy returned home with them, after spending the summer here.

The David Livermore family had her sister, Betty, and family of Kenosha, Wisc., as weekend guests.

Mr. and Mrs. David Crook of Ohio came Sunday to spend a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe La Londe.

Fern Verette is a patient at the Clare Hospital at this time. George and Cora Beers called on her Sunday.

Emily Geasler of Grand Rapids spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Geasler.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Mercer called on Don and Flossie Scott Sunday.

Helen Strang and I called on

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my aunt, Dora Laing, at the Mercy Hospital in Pontiac, last Wednesday. I received word of her death Wednesday evening. We attended her funeral services Saturday at the Peters Funeral Home in Detroit. Enroute home we called on Lillie Maddox at Saginaw. She is at home convalescing from a broken hip she suffered earlier this summer.

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S. W. Sherman

Goldie Dutcher, Reporter

Steve Dutcher has passed his advanced class amateur radio test this past week. Now Steve is an advanced class amateur radio operator. (Says he can now talk all over the world.)

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dutcher and Rex and Dawn and Jim Dutcher and three children, Kim, Shelly and Mike, and Patti Dutcher had dinner with us Monday. Mr. and Mrs. Dale Dutcher and Chris and Jon visited us Friday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Richard Yuncker were last Monday evening callers.

Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher, Jr., took Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher, Sr., and they attended a surprise birthday party for Monroe Dutcher of Clarkston, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Garry Dutcher and girls spent the weekend in Muskegon and Montague.

Mr. and Mrs. Brian Dutcher and Chad and Craig spent Sunday evening with Steve.

Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher, Jr. and Steve, Mrs. Linda Dutcher and Craig and Chad, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Oplinger, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Dutcher and the Ervin Dutchers, Sr., helped Susie and Cindy Dutcher celebrate their birthdays at the Ervin Dutchers', Sr., Thursday evening.

Mrs. Ruth Hyder is recovering from minor injuries suffered in an auto accident in Mt. Pleasant last Wednesday. Mrs. Hyder is 70 years old. Her husband also suffered minor injuries in the accident.

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Local Items

Word has been received that Carl Grewett, a former Weidman resident, suffered a heart attack at his home in Mt. Pleasant a couple of weeks ago, and went home Saturday. His wife, Clara (Kirvan) told the Messenger that Carl was in the garage, tinkering with an old car they'd sold to a neighbor, when he fell over backward and lay without pulse or breathing. She ran out on the street and hailed two young men passing by (students, no doubt), who at first were skeptical, but then went in and saw Carl, and went to work on emergency treat-

ment. "They knew what they were doing," Clara said. They worked on Carl to get his heart beating again, gave him mouth-to-mouth resuscitation, and so kept him alive till an ambulance

could be called. He's doing fine now, but sure is taking it easy at home.

Mr. and Mrs. Emil Phillips spent Sunday afternoon with the Paul Bigelows at Winn.

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THE SHERMAN CITY UNION CHURCH, THEN AND NOW--
After a summer's work led by Elwood and Iola Miller and the Jerry and Austin Dents. In fact, the whole area pitched in and helped cut down cedar trees for shingles, and after the trees were cut by Maeder Bros. and Weber Bros Sawmills (for free), they were made into real, old-fashioned cedar shingles, by a real, old-fashioned shingle mill powered by Art Schrock's ancient steam engine. All that now remains to be done is rebuilding the steeple or the bell area, and replacing the old windows. Shaded golden-colored windows are favored for the sides, each with a cathedral colored glass top where it peaks; while a semi-circular colored-glass window at the entrance has been donated and dedicated to Dr. Rondot. Bud Fredrickson, of Bud's Store in Weidman, has donated money for four panes of cathedral (colored) glass above the entrance door. Photos by Elwood Miller

Church committees need money to complete the renovation of the old church: The pointed window frames will have to be entirely remade of new wood; the roof will have a protective covering of spray material, and a paint job; the sides will be painted; the glass for the windows will have to be purchased. The old windows are being remade by the Woodcrafters, south of M-20 on Coldwater Road, who do beautiful hand-crafted work.

All that takes money, and so...

A BENEFIT DANCE--Will be held at the Brinton Hall Saturday, Sept. 24, from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m., the proceeds to go entirely towards defraying expenses at the church.

The J.D. Polkalodians, from the Redwood Lounge on M-13, Montrose, with the recording artists the Hedrich Brothers, will be the music makers for polkas, square dances, and the modern ones--something for everybody.

Only 100 tickets will be sold, to assure lots of dancing space in the Brinton Hall. Tickets will include the dance, refreshments, and a door prize. The Brinton Quilting Club will raffle off the quilt it recently completed.

Tickets, at \$15 per couple,

may be purchased at Bud's Party Store in Weidman, Fiorillo's Weidman Pharmacy, and from Ruth Gilbert at the Barryton bank. For further information, call Eldon Bellows, (588) 9554, Farwell, or Gerald Dent, 644-3850 at Weidman.

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STEVE DUTCHER GETS HIS ADVANCED HAM LICENSE

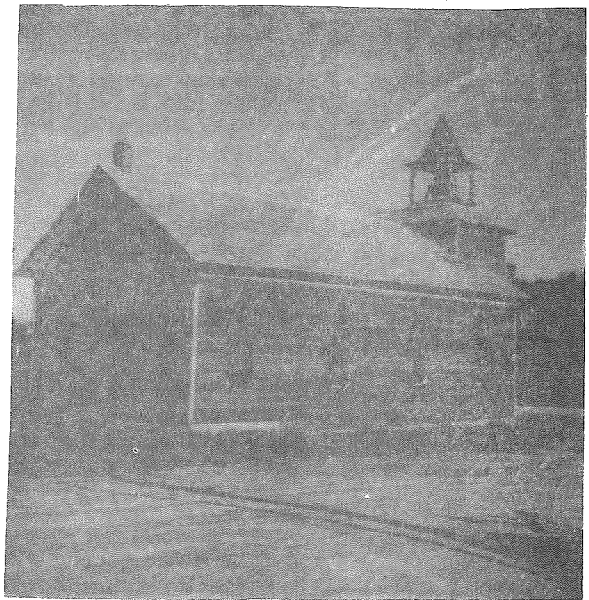
Steve Dutcher, long a ham radio enthusiast and amateur operator, has passed the exams for his Advanced Operator's License as a ham radio operator.

His license classification is next to the top of the classification lists of licenses.

Steve has a good knowledge of electronics, and is an expert at the international Morse code. He has contacted other operators in all the contiguous 48 states, and says his next project will be contacting Hawaii and Alaska.

Steve has an advanced-type gear, and enjoys his ham radio contacts, and is active in all phases of the hobby, including helping in crises.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher, Jr. He is a member of the Chippewa Hills High School Amateur Radio Club, which is composed of school faculty and one student.



THE SHERMAN CITY UNION CHURCH TODAY--Has been renovated enough to save it from weather through the winter--if the roof can be sealed and painted, the sides painted, and the windows replaced--quite a big order.

Mrs. David Flower went home with her daughter, Mrs. Jennie Leiter, and her new baby, and stayed a couple of days with her at her home in St. Louis.

Tim McArthur of Pontiac spent the holiday weekend at his home here. His parents, the Eugene McArthurs, spent the weekend camping at Pike Lake.

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