

# The Weidman Messenger

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## Editor's Column

By Connie

### SO WE GOOFED IN LAST WEEK'S MESSENGER

So we really pulled off a goofy one in last week's edition of the Messenger.

We missed some business names in that Thank You ad on the back page.

They were really important, too. Here's a few:

Lou Fiorillo, pharmacist at the Weidman Pharmacy, wanted to offer particular thanks to several good Samaritans who helped him get in on snowmobiles, who cleared his drive, etc.:

He wanted to thank:

Kevin Adams, who took Lou in to Weidman half a dozen times to get vital medicine for clients. (Kevin is a son of Helen Adams of Weidman, married to Connie Foster, Choice Foster's granddaughter who happened to be visiting Choice at the time.

Larry Rescoe, for an exciting ride into Weidman on his snowmobile, to get penicillin for his daughter;

Spike Branson, for coming to the Pharmacy's aid when its regular snow-clearing man from Mt. Pleasant got stuck there;

Jack Doremeyer, for plowing out his driveway at his home, with his big machine. Jack also did driveways for Jake VanderSys and others.

We also left out Harry Herman's Thank You to area people when the post office was closed for three days--the first time in history! Friends, Harry?

We also left out Western Auto Store in Weidman, much to their chagrin and ours.

Our only excuse can be that, besides the blizzard, Ye Ed was "under the weather" in more ways than one. But a quick trip to Dr. Kowaleski at Remus last Friday helped a lot--but it was too late for last week's issue of the Messenger.

Our apologies to our advertiser friends.

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At that, Lylah Simmers of California says I'm lucky to suffer only general body-cover-  
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HE'LL BE THERE, TOO--Harry Pung will be on the pig-roast spits, as usual, along with his right-hand helper, Jim Radey. Expert meat cutters from the Beal City and Weidman area carve the roasted meat for the dinner plates.



"WE COULDN'T DO IT WITHOUT JIM RADEY," says Harry Pung, in charge of the pig-roasting pits at the Lil' Mac Bridge celebration. "We have lots of help, sure, but Jim Rader and I sort of lead the pack, so to speak." Messenger photo

### LIL' MAC BRIDGE CELEBRATION PLANS ARE GOING ALONG WELL

Plans for the Sixth Annual Lil' Mac Bridge pig roast on the Elwood Miller farm are going along well, according to all reports this week.

At a work-bee meeting last Thursday night at the Fire Hall, all plates, cups, and knives, forks and spoons were counted out and the knives and forks readied for the Senior Citizens of this area who again will wrap them in the traditional paper napkins, ready for use.

The Senior Citizens also will wrap the potatoes in foil wrap, to be roasted on the charcoal grates.

Two pigs had been donated by Saturday of last week: One by the operators of the Weidman Drive-In Restaurant, Jack and Bernice Cocklin. Roy Adams has donated the bread for dressing, which will be cut up, seasoned, and at the last minute, baked in home ovens of Weidman women.

Some snowmobile games are being planned for this year, not machine against machine but machine against the clock. The contest will be on a designated route, including a clover-leaf pattern at one stage. The fastest machine wins a hefty prize.

Walter J. Smith, secretary of the Lil' Mac Pig Roast Association, said all committees look good at this point, and everything appears pretty well set.

Two pigs had been donated as of Saturday, but six more are needed. It's hoped that some of the "big businesses" will contribute.

Women of the Weidman and Beal City Business Associations, and Firemen's wives will bake bread in home ovens, to be sliced thick, buttered, and wrapped in foil, ready to be placed on the charcoal grates to be served hot. Anyone willing to donate home-made bread will be cordially welcomed by the committees. Loaves may be turned in at Western Auto the Saturday before the Sunday of the celebration, which is Feb. 19 this year (hope the weather eases up just a bit!).

The biggest work bee will take place Friday evening, Feb. 17, at the Fire Hall, when the dressing will be made and all last-minute odds-and-ends caught up.  
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Ten years ago today, we had a few inches of new snow. Temperatures were: High, 34, low 22. Week before, we had rain.

**DOG CLINIC TO BE HERE FOR EVENING OF FEB. 21**

A dog clinic, sponsored by the Isabella County Humane Society and manned by volunteer veterinarians, will be held here, at the Fire Hall, Tuesday evening, from 7 to 9 o'clock.

All dogs must have rabies shots within three years of application for licenses. The shots will be given here on the above date.

Dog licenses also are available at the annual clinics set up around the county.

It has been announced that license fees for dogs will be doubled after March 1.

**ANTIQUUE SHOW IN MT. PLEASANT FOR RETARDED CHILDREN SET FOR APRIL 1**

An antique show sponsored by "Love for Someone Special" of Mt. Pleasant will be held Saturday, April 1, and Sunday, April 2, at the Holiday Inn in Mt. Pleasant.

Dealers and amateurs from all

sections of the state are invited. Donations are \$1 per person or \$1.25 for couples or families. Proceeds will go to support the "Love for Someone Special" work with severely retarded children.

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**West Gilmore**

Lena Cole, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Tony Masiwchuk went to Mt. Clemens Sunday, where they saw their doctor on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bess Pfannes went to Flint Friday, where they attended the wedding of their granddaughter, Miss Cindy Yambrick, Saturday. The Pfanneses saw their doctor Monday, and were expected home that day.

Velma Cole went to Ann Arbor last Wednesday, where she had several exams. She was expected to return this Wednesday for more tests.

Mrs. Hilda Sampson went to

Ann Arbor with the Coles last Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Kripa and Steve were Saturday evening callers of the Paul Coles.

Annette Bridgette and Jessie stayed with Velma Cole Monday morning while Mom went for protein tests.

Mrs. Bridgette hosted a baby shower for her sister Monday evening, at her home on West Coleman Road.

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**BEAL CITY SENIORS HAVE 8 TABLES AT PLAY**

At their regular card party last Thursday afternoon, the Beal City Senior Citizens and their guests had eight tables of pepper at play.

There were 65 people present.

Bertha Schumacher won first prize for the ladies, with Lillian Zeien second and Viola Engler low.

For the men, Herman Grinzinger won first prize, with Ragolt Hauck second and Cliff Anstey low.

Agnes Sheahan won the pepper prize. Ed Faber won the door prize.

Cookies and coffee were served as refreshments.

The next card party at the K. C. Hall in Beal City will be Thursday afternoon, Feb. 16.

Everyone everywhere is cordially invited.

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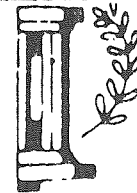
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# Obituary

LAWRENCE DELL  
Lawrence Dell died at his home Jan. 27. He was 87.

He was born April 13, 1890, in Montcalm County, but had lived most of his life here in the Weidman area. He was a retired farmer.

He had worked at the State Home and Training School for 19 years, retiring in 1960.

He is survived by his wife, Pearl; a daughter, Mrs. Freda Miller; two sons, Leon and Louis; and 11 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

He was well-known and loved and respected in this area.

Funeral services were held Monday, Jan. 30, at 2 p.m. from the Stinson-Helms Funeral Home in Mt. Pleasant, with Rev. Jack Gates and Rev. Thomas Chamberlain officiating. Interment was in Memorial Gardens in Mt. Pleasant.

Many will miss another old-timer gone to rest.

## LEGAL NOTICE

The regular meeting of the Sherman Township Board will be changed for this month only: from Feb. 20 to Feb. 27.

The Sherman Township Board's usual meetings are held the third Monday of the month, at the Township Hall at Horr, a 8 p.m.

## Local Items

David Maltzen of Kentucky has been staying at the Bernard Pitts home while on trial as the new preacher for the Gilmore Church of Christ. He preached his first sermons there Sunday.

Clayton Smith has a birthday on Feb. 21., and his family would like to have a post-card birthday shower for him. All friends and relatives of the Smith are asked to mark the date. Clayton's address: Isabella County Medical Care Facility, Room 207, Mt. Pleasant 48858.

Mr. and Mrs. Truman Hinton of Remus were Tuesday evening visitors of Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Sprague.

Two years ago today, tempera-

J.J. Simon spent last Thursday afternoon with his cousin, Mrs. Janice Touhcinski. J.J. is from Brinton.

Louis Bowen and Minerva Owens were Monday morning callers.

Mrs. Richard Touchinski and girls enjoyed Saturday morning with George Miller.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Wilson spent Sunday with Mrs. Nina Forbes.

Mrs. Nina Forbes spent a few days at the Robert Holt residence in Mt. Pleasant. She got medical help for persistent nose-bleed.

Tim McArthur was home from his work in Pontiac, for the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Sprague attended the wedding of Debbie Lobsinger and Mike Upton at Maple Rapids Saturday.

Lillian Johnston was a Saturday visitor of Mr. and Mrs. Emil Phillips. Mr. and Mrs. Phillips and Mr. and Mrs. Lloy Sperry enjoyed supper at Shepherd Sunday.

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**THE FIRST CONTACT**--From Amateur Radio Station WD8PWJ was made by Warren Decker, the senior member and founder of the Chippewa Hills Amateur Radio Club. Club members are: (From left, standing): President Clarence Hawkins (WB8UZM), Dutch Skalitsky, vice president Dion Ward (WD8LUJ) Doug Coil (WD8LUX), treasurer Bob Ruetz (WD8LUW), secretary Frank Benn (WD8LUV), Steve Dutcher (seated) (WD8BOH), and Warren Decker (W8JLD) at the microphone. Members not shown are Bob Reynolds (W8PPG), Jennie Shebal, and Kim Decker (WB8ZJA).

The newly-licensed club station is located in the Barryton (J. H.) building of the Chippewa Hills Schools system. The station has a number of pieces of transmitting and receiving equipment and two high-frequency antenna for use in communications with other amateur stations within a radius of about 2,000 miles.

Amateur station like WD8PWJ and the stations operated by the club members from their homes are probably best known for their assistance in relaying messages from one part of the world to another, and their important role in providing emergency communications between countries during earthquakes, floods and other disaster situations. Many local veterans may have called home via an amateur radio station phone patch system or sent messages through the Military Amateur Radio System (MARS) while stationed overseas.

Amateur radio can provide an enjoyable and gratifying hobby for anyone willing to make the effort. For more information about amateur radio or how to become a radio amateur, contact any of the club members, or write to The American Radio Relay League, Newington, CT 06111.



**CROSS COUNTRY SKIING**--Is becoming a very popular sport here. In the photo above, three youngsters try their hand at getting along on skis on level ground.

## LAKE ISABELLA

Helen Klenk, Reporter

Interest in cross country skiing seems to be growing steadily. Even though the temperatures were dipping pretty low last Saturday, there were still quite a few people taking advantage of the free instructions. These instructions are scheduled to continue every Saturday at 12 noon, at least through March 11. Also on the agenda for next Saturday, Feb. 11, is a skating party at 4 p. m., followed by dinner at 7 p. m. and dancing later. Call in your reservations to the ski shop, 644-2300.

Although our roads are in pretty good shape, the children are back in school (we hope), and most everything is back to normal, following the big storm. We will probably be hearing tales about

it for some time to come.

We just found out that Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Hathaway of Essex Dr. were stranded in Lansing from last Thursday till Saturday evening. But the good news was that they enjoyed a much longer visit with their son and family than originally planned.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Donley, also of Essex Drive, had a similar experience. They had gone to Grand Rapids to attend a meeting, and were caught in the storm and did not make it home until Sunday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Grau, who are presently residing in one of the condominiums, had a week-end visit from their daughter and family, Chrissie and Jim Mattson and their two daughters from Ferndale. Dolores and Bob Grau are in the process of building a chalet on the north end of the lake, on Cantabrian Road., and are very anxiously awaiting the completion.

A building permit has been issued to Mr. and Mrs. Jim Haggart from Harper Woods. "Wausau Homes" will build their future home on Pequena Drive, near the L. I. P. O. A. office. Some materials have been delivered to the site, but construction has not begun.

Harry Gatehouse reports that the ice-fishing here at the lake is much better than last year. In addition to the perch and bluegills, they are catching speckled bass and even some nice pike between seven and eight pounds.

Mrs. Elma June Mays was admitted to Butterworth Hospital in Grand Rapids Sunday, Feb. 5. Our best wishes go with her for a speedy recovery.

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### MABEL KLUMPP

Mabel Klumpp, a lifelong resident of the Nottawa area, died last Thursday at the Ardis Nursing Home in Farwell. She was 84.

Funeral services were held Sunday at the Garber-Berry Funeral Home in Shepherd at 2 p. m., with Rev. Robert Tomlinson, a Methodist minister, officiating. Burial was in the Salt River Cemetery.

She was married to Otto Klumpp who preceded her in death.

Among survivors are seven daughters: Mrs. Edward (Marjorie) Schafer of Coldwater Lake, Mrs. Ralph (Sophia) Stowell of Shepherd, Mrs. Lloyd (Helen) Author of Mt. Pleasant, Mrs. Katherine Dickey of Owosso, Mrs. Norman (Viola) Schafer of Shepherd, Mrs. Gale (Bonnie) Zingery of Mt. Pleasant, and Mrs. Bernard (Alice) Faber, also of Mt. Pleasant.

Also surviving are three sons, Alfred, Robert and Russell; and 58 grandchildren, 64 great-grandchildren, and a sister, Mrs. Mildred Van Horn, of Bannister.

HOME PAPER FOR THE WEST HALF OF ISABELLA COUNTY

# Beal City

Dora Smith, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Schafer, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Klumpp and Mr. and Mrs. Al Klumpp attended the funeral of Mrs. Mabel Klumpp Sunday afternoon at Shepherd.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Schafer returned home Wednesday from Englewood, Fla., where they spent three weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Lane and daughter of Gary, Ind., spent the weekend at the Robert Schafer home.

Mrs. Louise Schafer, Mrs. Orie Farner, and Mr. and Mrs. Ron Malish went to the funeral home in Shepherd Friday evening, to see Mabel Klumpp, who died at the Ardis Rest Home in Farwell last Thursday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis Schafer attended the funeral of Mrs. Klumpp Sunday afternoon.

A large number attended the reception for Karen Powell and Steve Schafer Friday at the K. of C. Hall in Beal City. The happy couple now are honeymooning in Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. Milo Eldred of Winn brought a basket full of goodies and had Sunday dinner with Mrs. Tillie Schafer and Mrs. Louise Schafer.

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Lane and baby of Gary, Ind., spent Saturday afternoon with her grandmother, Mrs. Tillie Schafer.

Mr. and Mrs. Milo Eldred spent Tuesday night with Mrs. Tillie Schafer.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Sherlock of Traverse City spent the weekend with the Ed Schafer family at Coldwater Lake. Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Schafer and Mrs. Bader called at Tillie Schafer's house Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Noble and family, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gould and family and Louis Rau called on Mr. and Mrs. Fred Zeien and family Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Rau visited Dick Funnell in CMC Hospital Sunday.

Louis Rau visited Clara Fox at the Medical Care Facility Saturday.

Dale Rau of Gregory was home over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Smith and family of Bad Axe spent the weekend with Mrs. Irene Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. Herb Yuncker called on Mr. and Mrs. Laverne Yuncker Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Jane Cotter started back to work Thursday.

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## Around Horr

Jessie Rosencrantz, Reporter  
Mrs. Betty Thompson attended a meeting at the home of Hazel Scott in Remus last Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Oplinger were Saturday supper guests of his folks, the Earl Oplingers.

Kenny Oplinger, who has been in Florida for some time, has a job there, in the orange juice business.

Paul Miller returned home from the hospital last Wednesday day, feeling some better, but not too good yet.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenwood Holmes of Lake were Friday callers of the Elwood Millers.

Mr. and Mrs. Jude Simon were Sunday dinner guests of Elwood and Iola. Iola said that she and Elwood went to Big Rapids to visit his mother Sunday, and when they got there they were turned away, on account of a flu epidemic there, and no visitors were allowed.

Bill Greenway and Mr. and Mrs. Dan Mills and Carrie, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Wood, and Jack Lynch were callers of the Pete Woods last week.

Mrs. Margaret Denslow and Mrs. Opal Denslow were in Mt. Pleasant last Wednesday, and had as their guest Eva, their sister-in-law, for a luncheon at the Sweet Onion Restaurant. In the afternoon they all helped address labels for the Senior Citizens' paper for February, at the Court House. Later on they called on a few patients at Pleasant Manor.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Miller and Mrs. Margaret Denslow enjoyed Sunday dinner at the Texan in Mt. Pleasant. From there they went to Mott Mountain ski area, west of Farwell. They enjoyed

an afternoon of spectator skiing.

Terry Loomis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Keith Loomis, is completing training at a travel agency in Florida. She had taken a correspondence course while in high school here. Her parents drove down to Florida Feb. 5 to bring her home, and enjoy a few days of that state's warm sunshine.

Mr. and Mrs. Mack Denslow are both home, after their stay at the hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Losey, Mr. and Mrs. Theron Merrihew and Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Losey called on their folks, the Charlie Loseys, Sunday.

## the Churches

WEIDMAN BAPTIST CHURCH  
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## Brinton News

Frances Beck, Reporter

The Voss families from here attended the funeral of their brother-in-law and uncle, Homer McClung, at Saginaw, who passed away suddenly Jan. 19 at the age of 80 years. He is survived by his wife, Anna, and daughter, Joanna.

Carl and Ellen Geasler attended the funeral of Lawrence Dell at Mt. Pleasant Monday of last week. They called on Mr. and Mrs. Payton Geasler Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Holland of Grand Rapids spent Saturday with their uncle, Alfred Bartley. Bonnie Forbes and Linda La Londe were in Detroit Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Larry Strang were

at Mecosta Tuesday evening. Helen and Lori Strang called on Thelma Spivy at Farwell Wednesday.

Laverne Forbes left Sunday for North Dakota, where he will be gone a week on a business trip.

Lori McNeilly of Barryton spent the weekend with Shannon La Londe.

Cora Beers, Irma Scott and Berneice Bellows spent the day at activities at Mid Michigan College Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Tower were in Lakeview Wednesday.

## North Weidman

Elvah Gott, Reporter  
The Baptist Fellowship was held

at my place last Wednesday evening. We had a pot-luck supper, joined in devotions, and played games reading Bible verses. A nice time was reported.

Leona Gott and I spent Friday in Mt. Pleasant and Clare on business. We had lunch in Mt. Pleasant.

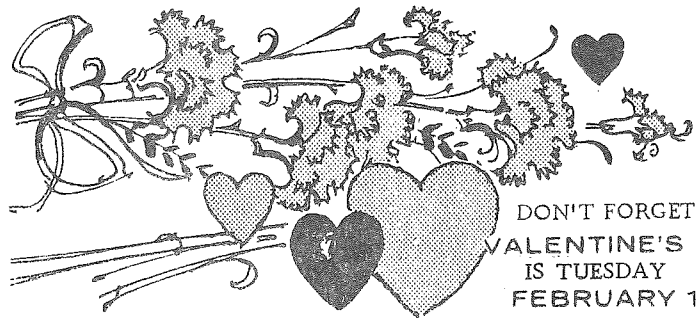
Albert Gott called on me Sunday. Wanda Graham called Wednesday evening.

Little Pat Brown is in the Big Rapids Hospital again. His other hip has gone bad, and he will

wear a double brace on his hips. He is a grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Max Aldrich.

The Norman Abbott family helped David Maeder celebrate his 11th birthday Saturday evening. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Dale Maeder.

Mrs. Helen Alwood attended the funeral of William Endres last Tuesday afternoon in Mt. Pleasant. Bill and family were good friends of Helen's parents, Bill and Hermione Smith. The Endres family moved to Mt. Pleasant in 1942.



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## S. W. Sherman

Mabel Chaffee, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Oplinger spent Friday evening with her parents, the Ervin Dutchers, Jr. Brian and Linda Dutcher and kiddies were Saturday evening visitors.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Swan of Mt. Pleasant visited the Harry Gatehouses Wednesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Gaudard of Midland were Saturday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher, Sr.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Fitzgerald visited Mr. and Mrs. Charles Moose at Torch Lake Friday, and enjoyed Saturday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Milo Henkel of Mecosta.

Randy and Sherry Eberbach of Lansing spent the weekend with her mother, Pat Egbert.

Mr. and Mrs. Gary Reedy of Riverdale were Sunday guests of Steve Dutcher.

Pat Egbert and Mabel Chaffee visited Doris Wilmot and Linda Tuesday afternoon.

Vada and Bea Gatehouse, Donna Thren and LouAnn Maeder attended a shower Sunday at the home of Gladys Navarre, honoring the mother-to-be, Vicki McGuirk.

Glenn Clayton and son of Big Rapids spent the weekend with the Oren Sheldons.

Mr. and Mrs. Brian Dutcher and kiddies and the Gary and Dick Dutcher families spent Saturday evening with the Bob Dutchers.

Mrs. Eva Chaffee and her father from Harrison were Saturday guests of the Leo and Harry Gatehouse families.

Dale and Gale Dutcher returned home from their Florida vacation last week. They enjoyed Disney World and visiting with the Clayton Dutchers, and the Florida sunshine.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Beutler visited the Forrest Johnstons at Rosebush Tuesday. Forrest has returned from the Ann Arbor hospital, and has around-the-clock care at his home. We are thinking of you, Jeanette and Forrest.

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## In the Editor's Mail

Hi, Connie!

Many Happy Returns! Sorry to be late, but I haven't sent out any mail since Christmas. Only been to the grocery stores in three weeks (once a week).

Haven't had the car out in all that time, go with a friend. Snow!

I've seen so much, I hope this is for this winter. Fourteen inches on the level in the driveway just about all the way to the road.

I didn't get a path to the road until Saturday. Didn't see a

face or the road for three days.

That Saturday we didn't go to town, went Monday evening.

All the talk was snow. It sure is keeping everyone busy.

I finally got the driveway cleaned out this Wednesday. Shoveled it all by hand, a little at a time. The little neighbor boy got off the school bus, saw me, and went and got his shovel and helped me finish. He was a great help.

Where the snowplow threw it in, it had hardened almost like cement. Snowplows or tractors couldn't come up the drive, no place for the snow. It had to be thrown to the side.

The ground hog could see his shadow today (Feb. 2), but no matter what, we still would have at least six weeks of winter, as that only comes to the middle of March.

You had cabin fever?

I don't know what I had, but I was getting tired of just seeing my own face. (Smile.)

Thank goodness for the telephone and television.

Next year this time, I hope to be living in town, hoping to eliminate a lot of worries.

This is Friday. I went to Midland but didn't have my card ready to mail. The car startled me, it started so soon.

Saturday morning I looked at the temperature at 5 o'clock, and it was nearly 14 degrees below zero. No wonder I heard things snapping and crackling.

It was the coldest I'd seen it in a long time. It's hard on the fuel-gas tank--goes down too fast.

Hope you had a nice birthday. I'm looking forward to mine. I keep trailing right along behind you.

Tell Frances Hello.

Love,  
Helen Hudson  
Midland  
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Mrs. Skinner,

Please renew my Mom's subscription (Sadie Bywater) for another year. Check enclosed.

She looks forward to reading the paper every week, although there are so few people left she knows.

She is still in a nursing home here in Lansing, but recovering quite well from her hip operation last year.

Thank you.  
Joyce Cogswell  
(Daughter)  
Lansing  
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### NEWS NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Smith of Wolverine took his father, Clayton, at the Medical Care Facility in Mt. Pleasant Saturday and they all had dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Ray Smith. A friend from Wolverine sent down a nice mess

of fish, which Clayton enjoyed very much.

The children of Mitchell and Jean McArthur celebrated her

birthday last Saturday with a dinner at the home of Gary McArthur.

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# Editor's Column

By Connie

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ing of allergy itchings. Here's Lylah's latest letter--a birthday letter, yet! (We've been amazed at the number of friends who knew when old Connie's 76th birthday would roll around.) Dear Connie,

If I remember correctly, your 76th birthday is coming up. Am enclosing vital statistics of me at 80. Came to get to the b.r., walker to get to the kitchen, and wheelchair for the rare occasions when I can leave the house. Have used the chair three times: To attend two weddings of grandchildren, and spend Christmas Day with another grandson--a minister in Riverside. Both weddings were second marriages.

My seventh great-grandchild is due in June.

My home with my grandson Ted is the happiest home I've ever had!

Frightenly strong pain medicine lets me get dressed most days; some days I can't make it. No surgery is possible.

So why fuss about being ONLY 76?

Affectionately,  
Lylah

(And here's her address, for some of you old-timers who might wish to write Lylah: 8516 Haskell Ave., Sepulveda, Calif. 91343.

Thanks, Lylah!

(And also thanks to all those wonderful people who sent me those unexpected birthday cards. Did I have a birthday!)

Sister Frances Tranbarger came over with an armful of gifts and a huge birthday cake, which we stuffed on till we couldn't face another bite and then wrapped for our two freezers.

Thanks, Frank!

And thanks, everybody! It was a great old 76th birthday!

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LIL' MAC PIG ROAST PREPARATIONS COMING ALONG  
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Walt Smith says they can use lots of help that night.

Harry Pung said Saturday that Jim Radey again will be on the pig-roasting spits with him. "If it wasn't for Jim Radey's help and people like him, we just couldn't put it on," Harry said Saturday.

Tickets are \$3.00 at the gate, and these are the dinner tickets as well as admission. The "tickets" will be the usual Lil' Mac buttons, to be displayed by the wearer upon entering, or purchased at the gate.

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HOME PAPER FOR THE WEST HALF OF ISABELLA COUNTY

## LIONS CLUB SCHEDULES

### FISH SUPPER FRIDAY NIGHT

The Weidman Lions Club will put on one of their famous fish suppers this Friday evening at the Weidman School cafeteria, with serving from 5.30 to 7.30.

These fish suppers draw people from Mt. Pleasant, Remus, Barryton, you name it. They come to enjoy their fill of family-style serving of expertly fried fish, with all the dinner trimmings, including a top-off dessert of home-made pies.

C'mon and enjoy, enjoy!

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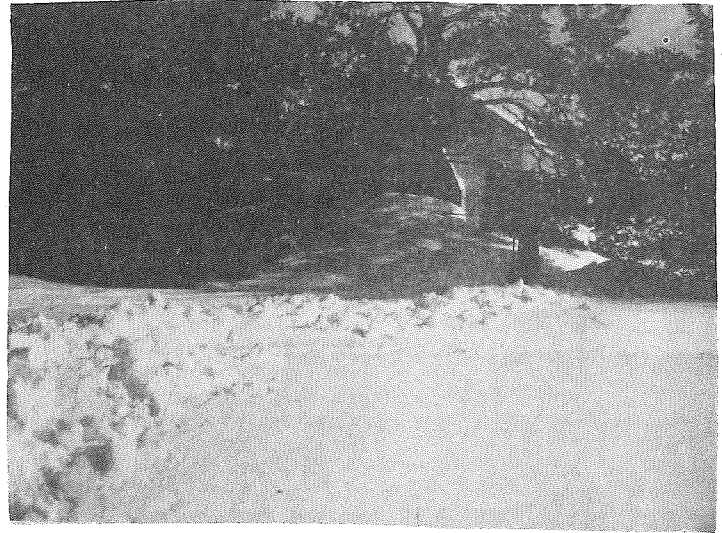
### CARNEGIE COURSE MEETING AT HOLIDAY INN WEDNESDAY

A free explanation meeting was held Wednesday evening at the Holiday Inn in Mt. Pleasant, sponsored by Radio Station WCEN and the Buyers Guide in Mt. Pleasant.

Purpose of the meeting was to give people an opportunity to learn just how they can further develop their hidden talents and skills.

Included in the explanations of the course were: Development of a better memory, the ability to get along even more graciously with other people, the development of more poise, confidence and self-assurance; the ability to speak easily and effectively to individuals, groups or by telephone.

Those attending learned how,



SUNDAY'S HIGH WINDS--Effectively erased all the snow-shoveling that had been done before. It hit east-west roads (and pathways) especially hard, with the wind straight out of the northwest and galloping along at 40 miles per hour.

through its unique teaching methods, the 66-year-old Dale Carnegie Course has been able to accomplish so much in a short period of time.

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### OJIBWA RESIDENT RETIRES FROM CENTER

Myrtle Bellen retired from the Mt. Pleasant Regional Center for Developmental Disabilities (Home and Training School) on Feb. 2, after 15 years of service

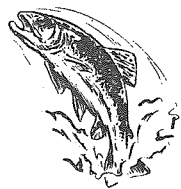
in the Department of Mental Health.

She began at Ypsilanti State Hospital in August of 1926 as an attendant nurse. She transferred to the Mt. Pleasant center in 1970, working in Cottages 7 and 5 until her retirement.

Mrs. Bellen resides at Lake Windoga, on the Ojibwa Recreation Area spreads.

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BETTER THAN A LETTER



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