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Editor's Column

By Connie

(Editor's Note: Here's a column I wrote over a week ago, and it was crowded out in last week's issue. The Ed's Col is always the first to be thrown out when we're crowded for room.)

I DO LOVE THE COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

The County Sheriff's Department is a busy place, no doubt about that. They get calls ranging from emergencies to crank beefs to the calls put in by Ye Ed; and over the years, Ye Ed has never failed to receive prompt and courteous --and friendly co-operation.

Take last Friday afternoon. I was trying to find out who's responsible for putting up road signs on county roads, after viewing the pathetic body of a pregnant doe on North Woodruff Road.

She'd been hit by a pickup truck, a deep wound on her tailbone apparently combining with impact to snuff out her life and the lives of at least two fawns nearly ready to be born.

There she lay--from 8 p.m. Thursday night till Lord knows how long the next day. The only officials able to remove the carcass appear to be the DNR, and this area is severely handicapped in relation to DNR contact and service.

So--on returning home from the grisly business of getting a photo of the doe, Ye Ed got on the telephone.

First call was to the County Sheriff's office, Officer Denslow answering with, "Yes, Connie!"

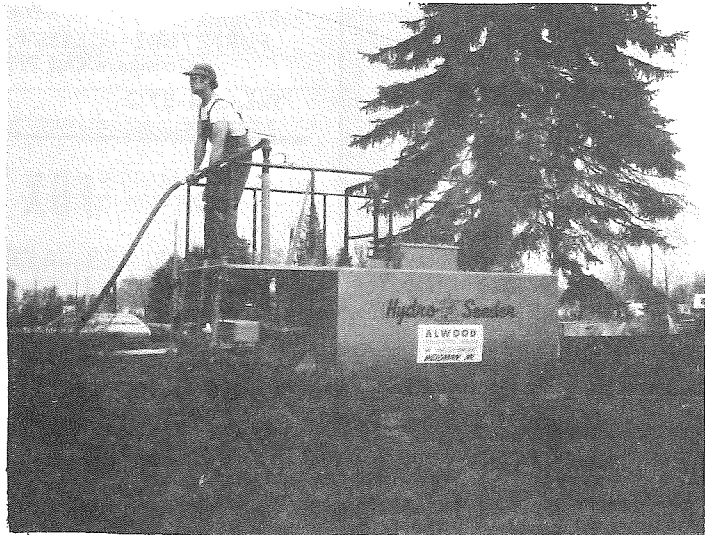
He said the Sheriff's office had no record of or influence in the accident except the reporting of it the night before.

After a half-hour, Ye Ed called back, and drew that nice gal who sometimes takes incoming beefs. As usual, she was friendly, patient, and wanting to help. She said, call the County Road Commission.

Did you ever try to call the office number of the County Road Commission? I have, many times; and I swear their receiver must be off the hook, for I've
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ALWOODS' TREE AND PLANT NURSERY--At the Walter J. Smith home on the west edge of Weidman is doing a brisk business, especially on Sundays, when working people drive in to look over their varied and well-kept stocks of deciduous trees, low-growing evergreens for ornamental plantings, flowers in planting pots, and shrubs. Russell and Jim Alwood are the enterprising young business men, with Walt meeting customers Sundays.



RUSSELL AND JIM ALWOOD ALSO HAVE GRASS SEEDER--A very modern and fast-planting lawn planting machine that lays down (through hose) a moist base of mulch filled with grass seed.
Messenger photos

It's good to see young men take off in business for themselves. Russell and Jim also raise Christmas trees on extensive acreages, which they tend, harvest, and truck to Alabama each holiday time.

At the newly-opened Garden Center here, the Alwoods have, besides many shrubs and lovely potted plants, apple trees in bud good husky stock; weeping cherry, Bartlett pears, in dwarf or

AREA FOLKS FLOCK TO GTE OPEN HOUSE

Between four and five hundred area folks visited the Weidman office (electronics installation) of the General Telephone Company's Open House last Thursday afternoon.

They were vastly interested in the Buck Rogers intricacies of the telephone's electronic set-ups and incomprehensible interactions of infinitesimal complications of tiny threads of electronic wires.

(We personally have been amazed after dialing our brother, Charles Roe, in Tarrytown, New York, at the almost instantaneous ringing of his private phone in his home on Lake Avenue 'way out there.)

In the old days, there were long-distance operators, and you gave one of them the number you wanted to call; she'd probably put in a call herself and ask some unknown person in Peoria about circuits to Tarrytown, New York. Then there was an interesting series of clicks, beeps, conversations between long-distance operators, and finally, after ten minutes or so, Brother Charles answered his phone.

Now it's bingo! His phone rings almost immediately.

It's all due to those mazes of electronic wirings in that little building on our main street here, where occasionally (but not very often) a speck of dust may light on some sensitive connection or piece of wire and your phone goes dead.

Then you call Bernie Riley, who probably is in bed at 10.30 p.m. when you discover your phone is dead; and he hauls himself out, goes down to the office and gets your phone back to life.

Bernard was there at the Open Gouse Thursday, to greet the countless friends he has in this area.

Also present were dignitaries of the phone company, also to greet folks over here.

Ye Ed was unable to be present and take pictures (durn it!), being laid up that day with a disabled back and inoperative knees.

semi-dwarf sizes; and forsythia and Persian lilac.

In uniform

Sgt. Larry W. Wilcox has extended his tour in England until April 1, 1980. He lives in Felipstowe, England with his wife (Lynn McClain) at their home there, and they spent the Easter weekend in London.

His address (he would like to hear from his friends):

Sgt. Larry W. Wilcox, 81st Tactical Fighter Wing, PO 1, Box 3665, APO New York, N. Y. 09955.

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BUSY BEES MEET IN BARRYTON

The Drew Busy Bees held their May meeting with Edna Merrihew in Barryton. They met at the Barryton Restaurant for their annual luncheon, then went to Edna's home for their meeting, installation of officers, and to divulge their Secret Sisters for the past year.

Margaret Denslow, outgoing president, presided at the installation, and recalled how the

Drew Busy Bees had originated approximately 55 years ago in the Drew area southwest of Weidman--the "Bs" being members whose names began with "B", such as Beutler, Boucher, Baker and Bartlett. In the early days, they met during World War I to roll bandages, etc., then later organized and were very busy quilting quilts and sewing carpet rags for rugs to be given to needy families or to families when there was a fire in the community.

In later years, it attracted members from other communities and has become better known for remembering members and residents of the communities with cards, fruit, flowers, or small gifts when ill, in the hospital, or where there has been a death in the family.

Three charter members are still living: Claribel Beutler, being a very active member, and Evalena Boucher Hibberd and Maude Robinson, who are with us in thought, even though they are now living in other states.

Margaret then presented each

new officer with a lovely rosebud corsage, and admonished them all to carry on and to do their very best in memory of those who have gone on before them.

President Alma Dosenberry, Vice President Opal Denslow, Secretary Betty Thompson, Treasurer Zalia Fahnestock and Flower Fund Chairman Mary Fahnestock were then installed.

The meeting ended with the revealing of Secret Sisters for the past year.

Edna, Ruby Kirvan and Melissa Parks served a very lovely dessert, after the close of the meeting.

The Busy Bees will meet June 8 with Margaret Denslow. All old and new members and friends are urged to attend.

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ETHNIC FESTIVAL FOR BEAL CITY 6TH GRADERS

Miss Ann Miller, teacher of the 5th and 6th grades in the Beal City Public Schools, announces an ethnic festival to be held May 16 at the Beal City

Elementary School.

Children will perform dances in foreign costumes, with a good variety of edibles for sale at a bazaar. These include fruits, soya Paraguayom, a type of corn bread from Paraguay; Sirniki; a Russian pancake; guava toast, Swedish breads, and German desserts made by the children's mothers.

The public is cordially invited to attend.

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Local Items

Mrs. Edna Bowein attended ROTC commission ceremonies at the University Center Auditorium in Mt. Pleasant, Friday. Her nephew, Robert Straus, son of Max and Vera Straus, graduated after four years at Central, with the ROTC. There were 18 young men and women commissioned as second lieutenant.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Tilmann returned last Thursday after wintering at their home on Long Key, Fla. They'll be at their Lake Windoga home for the summer.

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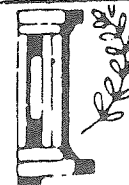
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Card of Thanks

I would like to express my sincere thanks to my family and friends for a wonderful birthday and for the many gifts, cards and flowers I received.

Also Thank You to St. Joseph's CCW for the beautiful plant.

Bless you all.

Tillie Zuker

Local Items

The weekend of May 6, Mrs. Edna Bowein's sister-in-law, Mrs. Mary Jacobs, of Zephyrhills, Fla., and George Lake, Mich., came for Mike Straus' wedding May 5 and she and Edna visited the Bob Theisen family in Mt. Pleasant Saturday and were luncheon guests. They also went to Big Rapids Sunday to see her son and family, returning here Monday. Tuesday she left for her cottage on George Lake, after visiting the Max Straus family.

Mr. and Mrs. James Beutler and Mrs. Claribel Beutler were guests at an 80th birthday party for Iva Brooks Crawford at Brooks Church.

Mr. and Mrs. William Knudson of Livonia were weekend guests of their mother, Mrs. Lela Whearlett, and uncle, Don Clark. Mrs. Jerry Bartlett of Whitehall and her daughter were Saturday dinner guests.

Cecil Harrington of Dearborn spent a few days last week with his sister, Mrs. Clara Smith. His son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Lond, of Rhinelander, Wis., came Saturday and took him home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Lund accompanied Mrs. Clara Smith to church Sunday. He is a relative of Mrs. Smith.

Richard and Betty Perry of Midland were Saturday supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Pitts. Junior McArthur and family of Brighton were Sunday afternoon visitors.

Mrs. Robert Tibbetts of East Lansing was an overnight guest Sunday of her mother, Mrs. Claribel Beutler.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Louisell and family of Mt. Pleasant spent Mother's Day with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Louisell.

Mrs. Claribel Beutler was a Mother's Day dinner guest at the Chinese Restaurant in Mt. Pleasant. She was among a party of 11 relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Middlesworth of Fowlerville were weekend guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Middlesworth. They were Sunday evening dinner guests of the Richard Don-

leys at Lake Isabella.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Leiter and girls of St. Louis spent Mother's Day with their folks, Mr. and Mrs. David Flower.

Mrs. John Showalter of Mt. Pleasant was a Monday luncheon guest of her daughter, Mrs. David Flower.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Brien of Mt. Pleasant and Vicky, Cathy and Lindy, spent Saturday evening with Mrs. Nina Forbes.

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Obituary

MYRTLE DREW

Funeral services for Myrtle Drew of Remus were held Monday at 2 p.m. from the Crittenden Funeral Home in Remus.

She was 86.

She died Friday at CMC Hospital in Mt. Pleasant.

Rev. Donald Williams officiated at the services, with burial in the Forest Hill Cemetery.

Mrs. Drew had been a resident of Isabella County all her life, and was of the old-line pioneer stock after which the area of Drew was named.

She was born Dec. 28, 1891, in Sherman Township. She was married to William Drew, who preceded her in death.

Survivors include a daughter, Myrtle Gene Blackmer, of rural Remus; a sister, Ilene Latham, of Mt. Pleasant; and 10 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

Another of our pioneer-stock residents passes on.

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ARCHIE W. BORDER

Archie W. Border of Farwell died last Wednesday, May 3, at the Clare Nursing Home. He was 73.

He was born Sept. 30, 1904, in Vernon Township, son of Fred and Euretha Glass Border.

He was married to Charlotte Dunnigan June 15, 1925. He was a life member of the Corning Masonic Lodge No. 335 of Farwell, and also a member of the United Methodist Church of Farwell.

He is survived by his wife, Charlotte; two sons, Arden of Farwell and Terry (Tim) of Holyoke, Mass.; a daughter, Mrs. Leon (Dorothea) Martin of Livonia; a sister, Mrs. Jerome (Gladys) Flood of Clare; and eight grandchildren and four great-grandchildren, and many other relatives and friends.

Funeral services were held May 6 from the Coker Funeral Home in Farwell, Rev. John Bullock officiating. Burial was in the Surrey Township Cemetery at Farwell.

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One year ago today, the temperature hit 90 degrees. It was in the high 80s to start the week, then 90 each day thereafter.

**CAR WASH BY WEIDMAN
SOFTBALL GIRLS**

Weidman softball girls will stage a car wash Saturday, May 20, beginning at 8.30 a.m., at the Isabella Bank & Trust site here.

Little Girls of the softball league will stage a pop bottle drive to collect bottles to turn in for refund.

By Saturday, the Girls' Softball rummage sale at the home of Barb Baxter had netted \$178.75. Two hundred dollars more are needed for the uniforms.

The girls elected officers Saturday as follows: President, Barb Cook; treasurer, Mary Sisco; secretary, Carol Miller, who is also manager; Betty Baxter and Jerry Smith remain as head coaches.

Coaches say the girls are doing well on pitching and hitting, in practice. They may play the Beal City girls' teams. Other towns are also interested in playing dates.

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Around Horr

Jessie Rosencrantz, Reporter

BILL THOMPSON GRADUATES FROM CMU AS BROADCASTER

Bill Thompson was in Central Michigan University's graduating class last week, coming up with a degree in Applied Arts, specializing in broadcasting and cinematic production.

He is employed as a broadcaster at Radio Station WFYC at Alma.

He hosted a graduation party

at his home after ceremonies in Mt. Pleasant.

Bill plans to compete in a bicycle marathon race in Detroit, one of a number from this part of the state to enter the annual competition. He has competed in the marathon twice before, coming out with a patch from the 1976 marathon for completing 50 miles in five hours, along with two other patches, one for 100 miles in 10 hours and the other for 200 miles in 24 hours.

Bill is 22, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Thompson.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Oplinger and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Oplinger were Sunday dinner guests of the Sterling Oplingers.

Mr. and Mrs. Garth Lawrence and Pam were Saturday dinner and supper guests of his mother, Mrs. Nettie Lawrence. They took her a gift for Mother's Day.

Sunday afternoon Nettie called on her brother and wife, the Ed Grabers, of Farwell.

Joyce Chaffee called on her folks, the Mack Denslows, Sunday.

We got our spring rain which we've badly needed for three years, says Opal Denslow. Opal spent Mother's Day with her son, Junior, and family, at Lakeview.

Last Thursday Opal called on Kelley Jerore at the Ojibwa Recreation Area. Mrs. Jerore had been quite sick, but was feeling better at that time.

Edith Essenberg of Tubbs Lake called on Opal Denslow one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Bateman and son of Lake Isabella spent Sunday with her folks, the Chas.

Fahnestocks.

Mrs. Phyllis Wood and Mr. and Mrs. Dan Mills and Carrie had Friday dinner with Mrs. Flora Wood in Mt. Pleasant.

Mr. and Mrs. Mills and Carrie, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Wood had Sunday dinner with their folks, the Pete Woods.

Mrs. Betty Thompson spent part of Sunday with her mother near Lansing.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Thompson attended Commencement exercises at CMU Saturday. Their son, Bill, graduated with a Bachelor of Applied Arts.

Bill had a graduating party at his home after graduation. Bob Thompson was home from his work over the weekend.

Thursday Mrs. Thompson attended a luncheon at the Wesleyan Methodist Church in Remus.

Mrs. Leah Scharrer, Mrs. Violet Oplinger and I spent last Friday afternoon with Hattie Losey.

Nancy Losey took her grandmother, Mrs. Hattie Losey, to the home of Mrs. Dunn at Rosebush, to get some glad bulbs.

Theron and Ardis Merrihew took Hattie to their home from Friday till Mother's Day. Don Merrihew's family was there, and the Chuck Teidemans (Marlene).

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Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell McArthur were Mrs. Rose Showalter of Mt. Pleasant, Mr. and Mrs. Doug McArthur and family, Mr. and Mrs. S. Fussman and family, and Gary McArthur. Afternoon callers were Mr. and Mrs. Junior McArthur and family of Brighton.

for Memorial Day

MONDAY, MAY 29

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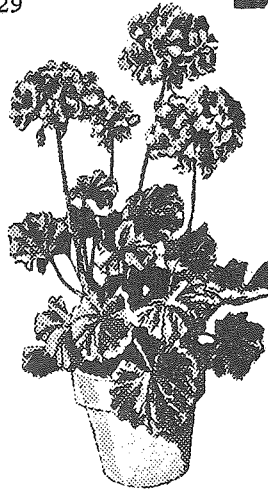
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Beal City

Dora Smith, Reporter

Charlotte Slater of Traverse City spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Al Tilmann.

Richard Raymond, son of David and Mary Brickner, was baptized in St. Joseph's Church Sunday.

Banns of matrimony were announced for Kurt Cotter and Karen Straus.

We welcome to our parish Mr. and Mrs. Adra Reed and their children, Christopher and Amanda, from the Ojibwa Recreation Area at Weidman.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Trowbridge of Midland visited Mr. and Mrs. Bob Blasen Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Al Tilmann visited Mrs. Ella Tilmann in the Medical Care Facility Sunday afternoon.

Howard Schafer spent the weekend with his son at Battle Creek.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Schafer and Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Joe Schafer and Bob Schafer spent Sunday at the Ed Schafer home at Coldwater Lake.

Tillie Schafer spent Sunday at the Ed Schafers'.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Schafer and family and Betty Sunderman and girls of Shepherd called on Louise Schafer Sunday, also Mr. and Mrs. Donald Schafer and Mr. and Mrs. Ron Malish of Mt. Pleasant.

The Beal City High School Banquet and Prom took place Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gould and family called on Mr. and Mrs. Fred Zeien Saturday evening.

Cindy Klumpp and Mike Fox were married Friday evening in a very lovely ceremony.

Saturday, May 20, is the Business Men's Consignment Auction at the K. of C. Hall.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Smith and family called on Mrs. Irene Smith over the weekend.

Louis Rau and Mr. and Mrs. Dick Funnell played cards with Mr. and Mrs. Walter Rau Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gould visited Mr. and Mrs. Don Gould and Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Collinson Sunday afternoon.

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BEAL CITY SENIORS HAVE 17 TABLES AT PLAY

At their regular card party last Thursday afternoon, the Beal City senior citizens had 17 tables of pepper at play.

Clara Jones won first prize for the ladies, with Kate Martin second and Vera MacKenzie low.

For the men, Bill Thelen won first prize, with Elwyn Cooley second and Roderick Nicholson low.

Paula Doren won the pepper prize. Rose Beutler won the door prize. The prizes were packages of groceries, very welcome.

The next card party at the Beal

City K. of C. Hall will be Thursday afternoon, May 25. Everyone everywhere is cordially invited to attend.

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BETTER THAN A LETTER

NEWS NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Pitts were Sunday dinner guests of their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Ron Apple, and children.

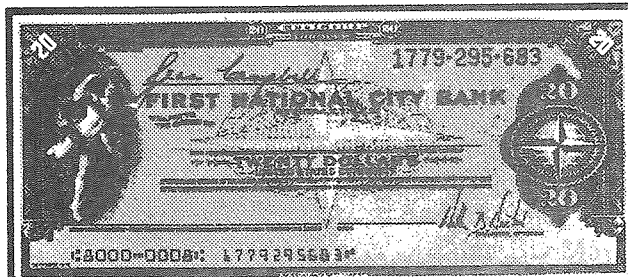
Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Miller were Mother's Day supper guests of their son-in-law and daughter, Dick and Janice Touchinski, and girls.

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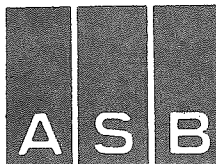
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BILL THOMPSON AT HIS WORK AT ALMA RADIO STATION--

William (Bill) Thompson and Robert (Bob) Thompson, sons of Mr. and Mrs. James Thompson of West Airline Road, completed their requirements for college degrees recently. Bill graduated from Central Michigan University May 13 with a Bachelor of Applied Arts Degree in Broadcasting, hoping to pursue a career with a radio or tv station. He currently is employed part-time at WFYC in Alma.

Bob will receive his Bachelor of Science Degree in Surveying from Ferris State College May 20, having completed his requirements in February. He has accepted a position with Air-P Land Surveyors of Clarkston, and has been employed there the past month. Congratulations, Bill and Bob (and Jim and Betty)!

S. W. Sherman

Mabel Chaffee, Reporter

Pat Egbert spent last week in Lansing. Her daughter, Sherry Eberbach, brought her home and spent the weekend with her.

Mrs. Jeanine Bauw and daughter, Robyn, of Grand Rapids spent the weekend with her mother, Mabel Chaffee. They took her a beautiful plant and a Mother's Day cake, and took her out to dinner Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Dutcher and Ivan Dutcher spent Wednesday and Thursday with Harold Secord of Holt.

Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher, Sr., and the Clayton Dutchers attended the funeral of Myrtle Drew Monday.

Ronna Jean Dutcher and Mabel Chaffee were shopping in Mt. Pleasant Wednesday afternoon.

Carl Fitzgerald is home from the hospital, feeling much better.

Myrtle Sheldon spent the weekend in Detroit, visiting her daughter and their families.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Pennington of Saginaw enjoyed Saturday at the Ervin Dutcher, Sr., home. Sunday visitors were Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Dutcher and family and the Jack Dutcher family of Clarksville.

Ervin, Sr., Clayton and Ivan Dutcher visited their brother,

Floyd, at the Veterans' Facility in Grand Rapids last Wednesday. Floyd left to visit his son in Seattle, Wash.

Bea and Vada Gatehouse and Kelli Thren spent Sunday afternoon with Mabel Chaffee and her guests.

The Dale Dutchers of Mt. Pleasant and Carol Dutcher and girls of Flint, and the Bob, Dick and Jim Dutcher families were Sunday guests of the Clayton Dutchers.

John Sheldon, Jr., of Mt. Pleasant took his sisters, Doris Wilmot and Mabel Chaffee, to Maxfield's at Lake Isabella for dinner Wednesday evening.

Minnie Flaughter came home from the Saginaw hospital after back surgery, and is doing as well as can be expected.

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Brinton News

Frances Beck, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Tower had their family home Sunday, including Mr. and Mrs. Mike White, Mr. and Mrs. Galen Tower and Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Tower, and their families.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Beers and baby of Lansing spent Sunday with their parents, George and Cora Beers, Janet Beers of Big Rapids also spent the day with them.

Mr. and Mrs. Gary La Londe and boys spent Saturday evening with

their mother, Eunice La Londe.

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Fields and daughter, Chris, and Matthew spent Sunday with Tony Bartley.

Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Moon of Battle Creek spent last week at their trailer on Grass Lake Road. Saturday night they attended Open House for Richard Irish in honor of his graduation from CMU Saturday. Congratulations, Richard!

Helen Strang was one of the mothers accompanying students from Chippewa Hills School Saturday to Greenfield Village as one of the chaperones. Her daughter, Amy, was one of the class attending. They reported a very interesting day.

The Merry Go Round Club met with Fern Beutler Thursday, with 10 attending. They welcomed one new member, Oraulea Baker. Sorry to hear one of the members, Zena Olger, has been in the hospital. We hope to hear

she is on the gain, and able to be home soon.

The June meeting of the club will be at the hall in Brinton, with Eunice La Londe and Helen Strang as hostesses, June 8. They plan to tie some quilts during the day.

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Local Items

May 4 to May 10, Mrs. Claribel Beutler and Mrs. Jeannette Johnston of Rosebush visited Mr. and Mrs. Mark Johnston at Franklin, Ohio. They accompanied them, with a group of Senior Citizens from the church to Pine Mountain Settlement School in Harlan County, Ky. They stayed there a few days. Sunday they visited the Red Bird Mission in Kentucky.

Mrs. Harvey Brien of Ithaca spent Sunday with Mrs. Nina Forbes.

The Flower Shop

Weidman

644-3941

PASTE THIS NUMBER IN YOUR TELEPHONE DIRECTORY.
IT MAY HELP US KEEP IN TOUCH.



No, we didn't get an unlisted number, or have our phone disconnected. We're in the phone book--guess what!--under Flower Shop The. That's right, Flower Shop The.



We used to be in the Yellow Pages, but that didn't help. We were listed: Flower Shop The, Wdmn. Students at CMU didn't know where Wdmn was, and they'd often call us, asking if we'd deliver a corsage or some roses at a college address, and we'd say No. It was a waste of their time and ours. We cancelled our Yellow Pages listing.



SO REMEMBER, IT'S FLOWER SHOP THE, 644-3941.

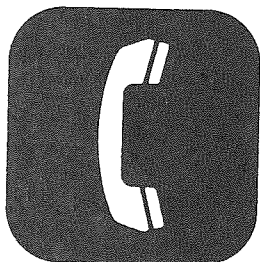
THE FLOWER SHOP, WEIDMAN, Where Beautiful Things Come From.

For Continued GOOD 'PHONE SERVICE, We Need Your Help

The management of General Telephone pledges to its customers to do its best in continuing to provide good quality telephone service despite the strike our union has called. We recognize our responsibility to you, the customer, and we will do our best to fulfill it.

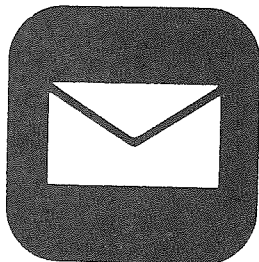
Obviously, the strike will cause some inconveniences. But with your help, these can be kept to a minimum.

Here are some helpful suggestions:



Dial your Long Distance Calls.

1. When you call long distance, dial the number direct. Your calls will go through much easier than if you attempt to have an operator do it for you.



Pay your Phone Bill by Mail.

2. Rather than paying your phone bill at our business office, do it by mail. It's not only more convenient, but we even provide you with an envelope for this purpose.



GENERAL TELEPHONE

Editor's Column

By Connie

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never got anything but busy signals.

In desperation, toward evening, I called Wayne Sisco, our indispensable Deputy who takes care of us over here in the wilds of west-county country.

Wayne said the State Police are the only authority for putting up road signs of any kind. Wayne knew about the car-deer accident, but the Sheriff's Department was helpless to do anything till the DNR man arrived to take the doe away for autopsy.

Wayne said call the State Police so I called the State Police, and the nice officer answering (they're as friendly and good as the Sheriff's Department men and women) said that Yes, the State Police were in charge of putting up road signs such as "Deer Crossing", but that the Rockford office had complete charge of that and anyhow, State Police couldn't do anything unless the Township Board requested the signs.

So--back to calling. Sherman Township Supervisor Earl Oplin-gar's phone brought no answer. So I called Keith Loomis, Town-ship Clerk, and asked him to get a township request for road signs on North Woodruff through that swampy and wooded area where there are three well-worn deer runs crossing the road.

Keith said Sure, he'd get it through, pronto; and he'd get the request to the State Police.

That's one of the worst road spots in Isabella County for potential disaster concerning encounters between deer and cars.

Deep swampy woods on one side, at one spot, and a corn field on the other side of the road, attract the deer year-round.

They come tearing out of the woods and swoop up those steep banks and whammo! right across the road, no matter if a car is coming at 55 miles (or more) an hour.

So--eventually, we'll get the "Deer Crossing" signs where they're needed something hurt-ful: On the two-mile strip of Woodruff Road north of Weid- man that has three well-worn deer runs crossing the road.

Half a day's time for Ye Ed is well spent, we figure, when we can trace down the source of where to begin to commence to get started on getting road signs on a dangerous two-mile strip.

Meanwhile, watch it, on that two-mile strip on North Wood- ruff Road.

NEARLY NORMAL DIAL SERVICE DURING STRIKE, TELEPHONE COMPANY SAYS
General Telephone Company's 425,000 customers can expect nearly normal dial service during the strike by the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 1106, according to Robert K. Knoth, service director for the company.

Services that require operator assistance such as directory as- sistance, credit cards, and col- lect calls, will be somewhat impaired, he said.

He also said that repair and in- stallation services would be slow- ed by the strike.

"Customers can help assure that their telephone service re- mains good by direct dialing all long-distance calls, and by using the telephone directory rather than directory assistance whenever possible," he said.

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MEMORIAL SERVICES WILL BE IN NEW-OLD CHURCH

Memorial Day services will be held Sunday, May 28, in the refurbished Sherman City Church, a non-denominational organization, it was announced this week.

While not all of the inside reno- vation work will be completed, plans now are for Memorial Day services to be held, beginning with a walk from the cemetery at Sherman City to the church.

Men and women again have been working like beavers there, installing the "new" pews pur- chased from the old Forest Hill Church, some paneling install- ed, the wainscoting scrubbed with steel brushes, then smooth- ed, and varnished.

Pastors from various denomi- nations are being invited to ap- pear for the services. The pub- lic is cordially invited to attend.

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SIX CANDIDATES FOR TWO SEATS ON SCHOOL BOARD

Six candidates have filed for election to two vacancies to be created this June 12 at the annu- al school election.

The two retiring Board mem- bers are Marlys Wager and Bill

Baldwin.

The six candidates are Alan Pitts of Barryton, Charlene Boerr of Mecosta, Neal Brower of Bar- ryton, Jim Damitio of Lake Isa- bella, Dean Denslow of rural Weidman and Patricia DeFever of Remus.

Marlene Phillips and John Gleason of Lansing came Friday to spend Mother's Day with Marlene's mother, Mrs. Edna Bowein. Visitors Saturday and for lunch were Marie Tynlan of Wyoming, Mich., and her daughter-in-law, Eva Eilkin- son, and her daughter-in-law, Darlene Wilkinson, of Cadillac.

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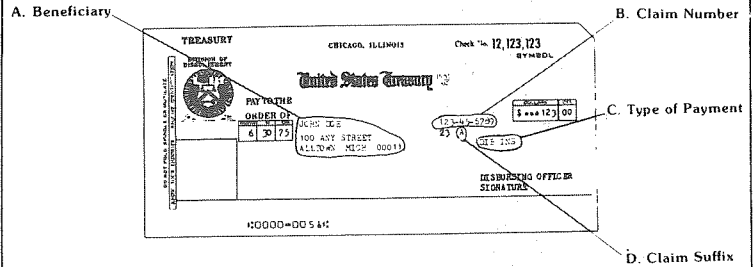
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- B. Claim Number:** An individual number under which the benefits are being paid
- C. Type of Payment:** Acknowledgement of type of payment a beneficiary is receiving whether it's an insurance benefit, pension benefit, or Social Security benefit
- D. Claim Suffix:** An individual code letter, given to identify the type of claim being paid

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Notice

CAR WASH! !

The Weidman Girls' Soft- ball Team will hold a car wash this Saturday, May 20, at the Weidman Branch of Isabella Bank & Trust in Weidman.

Starts at 8.30 a.m., runs till cars are all done.

Bring in your car for a real nice clean-up job!



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