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## Editor's Column

By Connie

### PEOPLE ARE NICE

Since I've been "out" with a mighty sore back, people have done favors for me, brought me things, done this and done that.

For which I am truly thankful. Besides my sister Frances, who ran her legs off all this time keeping track of me and helping me on the paper, there have been others who have been so very kind and helpful.

Marie Smith walked 'way out to my place Friday, carrying a basket loaded with goodies designed to tempt a finicky appetite--which of course they did.

Thanks, Marie.

Ben and Shirley Weber covered the big event at Beal City for me Saturday night, complete with camera. And a right smart job they did of it, too.

Thanks, friends.

When one is as old as I am, and when one lands on one's back, flat, after doing a few fancy cartwheels just to show off, I guess it takes a while to get over it.

Yes, I still hurt. Like the dickens.

Yes, it's hard to sit at the typewriter or drawing board and get this little paper together each week.

I don't think I could do it alone. Frances Tranbarger is becoming a real expert on laying out pages and pasting up, to say nothing of typing out features, such as this week's account of the 1947 snow storm when she and Barney were out there on a farm a couple miles from town.

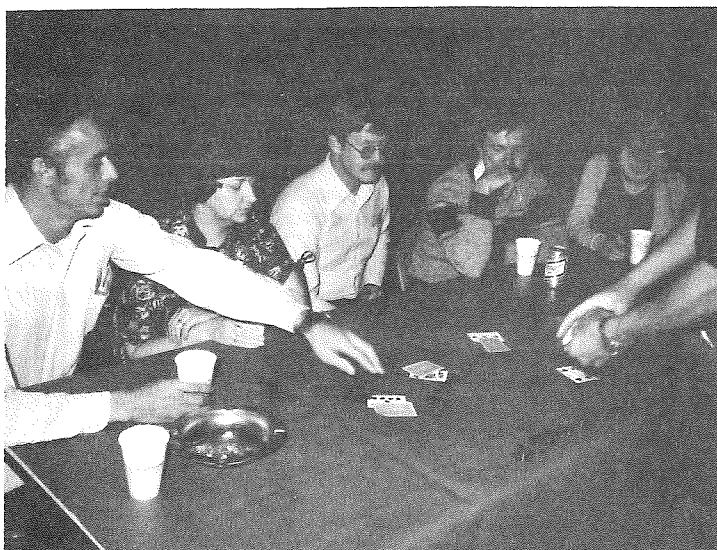
Guess it will take a while to get over this, but sometimes I feel I'll make it.

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### NEWS NOTES

A group of senior citizens enjoyed a trip to Grand Rapids Friday to see the Shrine Circus. Included in the trip were Claribel Beutler, Ruth and Carl Lorenzen of Lake Isabella, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Beatty, and Edna Bowein.

Mrs. Bessie Teall was reported



**BLACKJACK WAS THE POPULAR GAME--**At Las Vegas Night in Beal City Saturday night. The crowd was huge, everybody had a grand time gambling with "play" money, and the event was a huge success.



Photos by Ben Weber  
**DEBBIE SCHUMACHER--**Wife of Steve Schumacher, won the grand prize of a trip for two to the real Las Vegas. Above she's shown with Miss Isabella County, also a Beal City girl.

as recovering from a light stroke, Pleasant. Mrs. Teall is nearly in the Medical Facility at Mt. 94 years old.

### WORK BEGINS ON LITTLE MAC SNOW-DAY CELEBRATION

Work has begun in earnest on the Little Mac Bridge annual celebration on the Elwood Miller farm.

Committees have been formed, work has been allocated, and plans look good for a wonderful day.

Monday, at their daily dinner provided by the Commission on Aging, area senior citizens began their task of pinning buttons on tickets.

The seniors also wrap potatoes for baking, and also they wrap the silverware in paper napkins for swift serving at the dinner-tent.

All help is greatly appreciated by the promoters of the big day.

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### BOY SCOUTS ENJOY CAMPOUT AT MYSTIC LAKE

Friday, Jan. 19, while others prepared for the predicted four to six inches of expected snowfall, the Scouts of BSA Troop No. 692 left Weidman for their "Uncle Budd Goof-Off" weekend campin at Mystic Lake YMCA Camp at Lake.

Armed with snowmobile suits, tall boots, a couple of toboggans and plenty of long underwear, the group of 18 boys and two adults spent the weekend snugly housed in their own heated cabin, one of the 10 cabins on the 500-acre camp.

The theme of the outing was rest and relaxation; however, knowing that a good Scout is also helpful, the boys spent part of their time assisting the camp staff in preparing the camp for the arrival of 130 YMCA "Indian Guides" and their fathers, who also shared the camp facilities for the weekend.

Although some time was spent cleaning cabins and shoveling snow, there was still plenty of time for exploring, ice fishing, tobogganing, and just plain lounging around the cabin.

Friday evening's entertainment was a movie on the BSA Camp Philmont, and a slide presentation by Assistant Scoutmaster Bruce Anderson, on his week-long canoe trip through the Minnesota wilderness.

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## Around Horr

Betty Thompson, Reporter  
(Filling in for Jessie Rosencrantz while Jessie's in the hospital.)

Mrs. Hattie Losey spent from Monday till Friday morning with Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher. Sunday dinner guests of Hattie were Mr. and Mrs. Theron Merrihew.

Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Mack Denslow were their daughter, Joyce Chaffee, and granddaughter, Barbara North, and family.

Margaret Denslow spent most of last week with her siser, Anna Louise Miller, near Barryton. They had luncheon Thursday with their sister, Celia Backus, of Ewart.

Mrs. Nettie Lawrence visited her brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Graber, at Farwell, Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Miller called at the Coker Funeral Home Monday evening to pay

their respects to Glenn Gorby. They called at the Miles Miller home Monday evening. Sunday supper guests of the Millers were Mr. and Mrs. Dick Touchinski and girls.

Linda and Phil Greenway and Mike and Jackie Wood were Sunday dinner guests at the Pete Wood home.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Thompson spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. John Thompson at Drayton Plains, Saturday, Betty accompanied Bill Thompson to Muskegon and Grand Rapids. They called at the Chuck Wilson home while in Grand Rapids. Mr. and Mrs. Tim Workman of Reed City were Saturday callers at the Thompson home.

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## Local Items

Mr. and Mrs. R.D. Sprague were Sunday visitoss of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Dent in Farwell Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Jacques Coon and son, Josh, were Friday supper

guests of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Touchinski.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Touchinski enjoyed supper with their folks, the Elwood Millers, Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. John Freeze and a friend of Mt. Pleasant were Sunday afternoon luncheon guests of Mrs. Helen Smith and Ula Cummins.

Ula Cummins was in Ewart last Wednesday.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Ron Apple, a daughter, Shannon Marie, at CMC Hospital a week ago Monday. The mother is home now, but the baby was still in the hospital the first of the week.

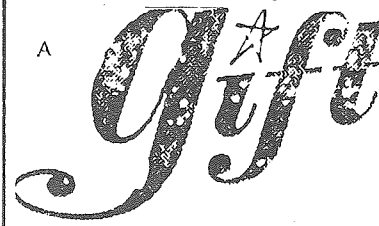
Mrs. Claribel Beutler announces the birth of a new great-granddaughter, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leland Brecht, born last Tuesday. The Brechts live at Rosebush.

Mrs. Marie Smith entertained Mrs. Emma Middlesworth, Norma Middlesworth and Edna Bowein, at dinner Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Louisell

spent Sunday at the home of their son, Robert, and family, in Mt. Pleasant.

Mrs. Leah Scharrer and daughters, Mrs. Shirley Creed of Marine City and Mrs. Lucille Doyle, returned home last Thursday, after a 10-day vacation in Phoenix, Airz, visiting at the home of Leah's son, Robert Scharrer, and family. They flew out, and it was the first airplane ride for Leah and Shirley. They also enjoyed a trip down into Old Mexico. Their trip was delayed in Chicago because of a snowstorm. Their plane circled three hours in the air before it could land.



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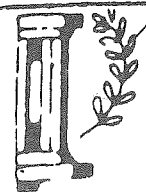
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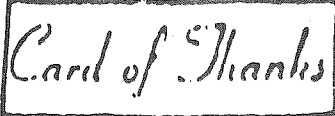
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We wish to express our sincere appreciation for the help and kindness extended to us by our friends, neighbors and relatives during our recent loss.

A special Thank You to the ladies of the Barryton church of God for the nice luncheon served after the services.

Thank you to Pastor Lloyd Jury for his comforting words, and Pastor and Mrs. G. LeRoy Bruce of the Pine Grove Tabernacle;

The ambulance service; George Daggett; and all others who helped out in any way.

May God bless you all.  
Anna Louise Miller  
And Family

## Obituary

WILLARD K. GIBSON, SR.  
Willard K. Gibson, Sr., of South Winn Road, died Sunday at CMC Hospital. He was 75.

Funeral services were held Wednesday at 1 p.m. at the Stinson-Helms Funeral Home in Mt. Pleasant, with Rev. James Sabo-Schuler of the Winn United Methodist Church officiating.

Burial was at the Pine River Cemetery.

He had lived most of his life in Isabella County. He was born in Mecosta April 22, 1903.

He was a retired carpenter, and worked for the DeWitt Lumber Company of Blanchard.

Survivors include his wife, Virginia; seven daughters, Mrs. Donald (Norma) Karcher, Mrs. Clark (Shirley) French, both of Mt. Pleasant; Mrs. Theodore (Rita) Van Ocker of Smyrna, Mrs. Robert (Judith) Johnson, Mrs. Larry (Nancy) Gott, both of Winn; Mrs. James (Connie) Calkins of Gaylord, and Mrs. Curtis (Sandra) Battleshaw of Weidman; five sons, Willard K. Gibson, Jr., Richard Gibson, both of Mt. Pleasant; Willard Denman of Winn, David Denman of South Carolina, and Donald Denman of Ashley; and 45 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Other survivors include four brothers, J. W. of Flint, Alva of Mt. Pleasant, Karl of Clare and James of Utah; a sister, Mrs. Robert (Helen) Jones, of Springport.

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## Obituary

HELEN COURSER

Helen Courser of Winn died last Friday at the Gratiot County Medical Care Facility in Alma. She was 39.

Funeral services were held Monday at 2 p.m. from the Garber-Berry Funeral Home in Shepherd, with Rev. James Sabo-Schuler officiating. Burial was in Union Cemetery.

She was born July 16, 1939, in Rolland Township, daughter of Earl and Stella (Pridgeon) Martin. She married Harold Courser Feb. 10, 1956, in Blanchard.

She is survived by her husband, Harold; two sons, Gerald of Farwell and Derald of Winn; a daughter, Mrs. Philip (Peggy) Lamb, of Shepherd; her mother, Stella Martin, of Bellaire; one sister, Mrs. Harry (Nellie) Rood of Shepherd; two brothers, Edward Martin of Grand Rapids

and William Martin of Bellaire. The family have the sympathy of all.

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We wish to thank our friends and neighbors, and the Weidman Fire Department, for their help and comfort in the death of my husband, Sebastian Pfannes.

Your sympathy is greatly appreciated by all my family.  
Mrs. Beulah Pfannes  
Mr. and Mrs.  
Paul Yambrick

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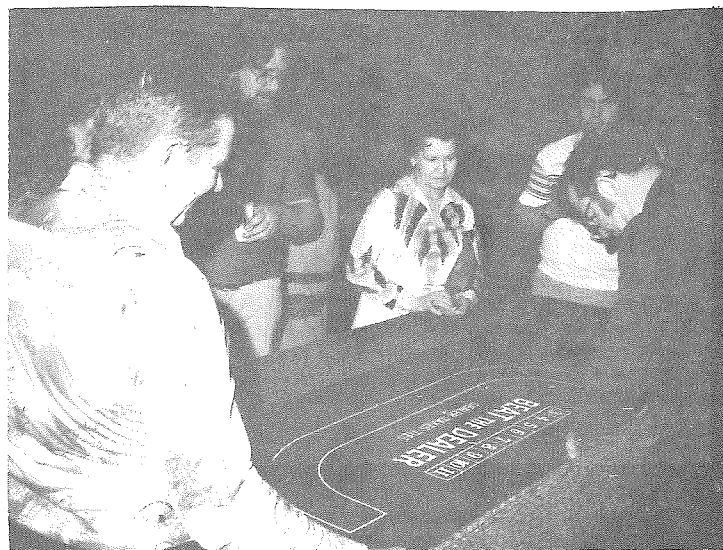
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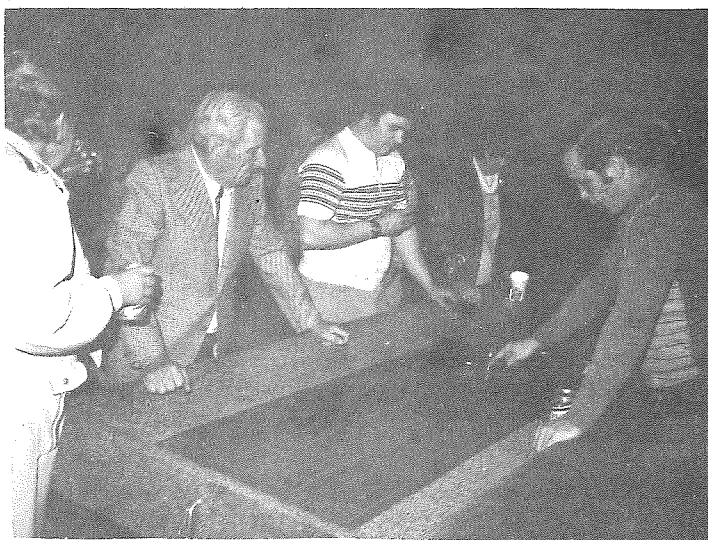
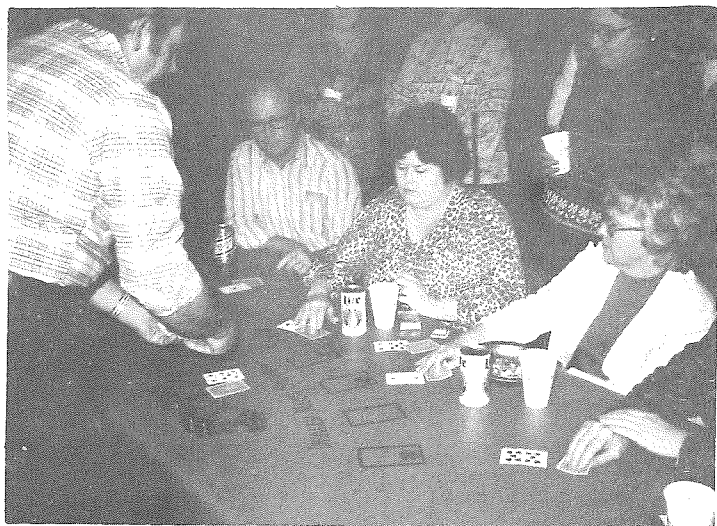
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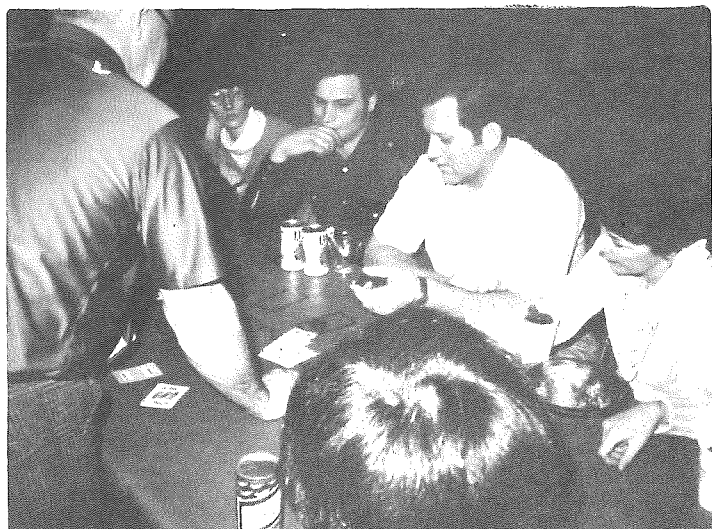
AT THE BLACKJACK TABLES.....



BEAT THE DEALER--WAS A POPULAR GAME.



ROULETTE--Also was available. We haven't figures on percentages.



All Photos by Ben Weber

Kenny Allen was Auctioneer for the big sale following the games, with Ben Weber assisting.

## Beal City

Dora Smith, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Terry Pung and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Pung spent a few days recently with their son and brother in Germany.

Ed Pung and John Lawens are spending two weeks in Florida. They will visit Evelyn Hackney, who also is enjoying the sunshine down there.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Block are caring for the Joe Marchiando family for a week, while the parents are on vacation in Las Vegas and California. They expected to return Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Egbert spent Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Bob Block.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Marchiando, Mr. and Mrs. Norm Rau, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Block, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Straus and Mr. and Mrs. George Fussman spent five days in Las Vegas recently. They all had an enjoyable time, some los-

ing and some winning.

Mrs. Debbie Schumacher of Vandecar Road won the trip to Las Vegas Saturday night at the Beal City Las Vegas Night sponsored by the K. of C. and the Beal City Business Men.

Mrs. Emily Goffnett called on Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gould Wednesday evening.

Home builders from this area attended a convention in Las Vegas for four days, earlier last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Pohl hosted their club Sunday evening.

Mrs. Irene Zeien and girls and Louis Rau visited Mrs. Margaret Noble last Sunday.

Father Hart returned from the Florida Keys last week, after a two weeks' vacation.

Mrs. Agnes Thelen entertained company Sunday.

Orie Farmer of Mt. Pleasant called on Louise Schafer Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Walt Schafer of Mt. Pleasant spent Sunday with Tillie Schafer.

Mrs. Mike McCrae and Donna Klumpp hosted a baby shower for

Maxine Tubbs Sunday, at the Alfred Klumpp home.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Schafer called on Tillie Schafer Monday evening.

Milo and Ann Eldred called on her Thursday afternoon.

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## Brinton News

Frances Beck, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Cook and Penny and Lyle, Jr., called on friends at Harrison Sunday.

Larry and Amy Strang were at Mid Michigan College Tuesday evening.

George Knorr was hospitalized at CMC in Mt. Pleasant last week. He suffered severe injuries after getting his hand caught in a fan belt.

Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Cook and Mr. and Mrs. David Livermore attended the regular auction south of Weidman Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Bowen went

to Kansas City, Mo., leaving Tri Cities Airport Wednesday and returning Friday night. Lewis was on activities sponsored by the Federal Land Bank. They reported a very nice trip, in spite of the winter weather.

Carl and Ellen Geasler called on Mr. and Mrs. Ferris Graham Saturday.

Just a reminder--The Merry Go Round Club will meet with Doris Schleicher Feb. 8, roads and weather permitting. Doris lives on Grass Lake Road.

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Dear Editor:

I will have a check in the mail the 25th of this month (January). I get paid the last of the month now.

I retired from Dow Chemical in July of 1976, after working there 25 years.

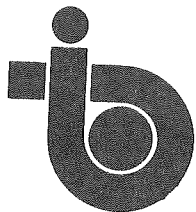
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(Editor's Note: The Chase family lived in Weidman 'way back in the old days.

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# Snow Flurries Stymie Farmerette

By Frances Roe Tranbarger

Jan. 29, 1947

(From the Isabella County Times-News, Mt. Pleasant, Thursday, Feb. 6, 1947.)

(Editor's Note: Webb McCall was owner-editor of the Mt. Pleasant paper then, which was a big weekly. Frances and Barney Tranbarger lived on the farm now owned by Max Straus.)

Snow flurries, the man said. We listened while the WJR news commentator gave the weather report: "For lower Michigan, snow flurries today and tomorrow, winds eight miles per hour." We looked at one another. It had been snowing steadily all afternoon, and already the wind had whipped up some pretty nifty drifts.

This was Wednesday evening, January 29 (1947). By morning the storm had really worked itself into a frenzy. We had thought it was bad the night before, but it was nothing compared with Thursday morning's demonstration.

We started out to do the chores. As soon as we opened the door, the wind clutched it and swung it wide, nearly tearing it off its hinges. We plunged into snow banks, gasping for breath as we faced into the wind, heading in the general direction of the barn. It was impossible to see, nearly impossible to stand.

After what seemed like hours of wallowing through snow and fighting the wind, we reached the barn, where the animals looked at us apprehensively, probably wondering if the barn, with its creaking timbers, could continue to stand. Snow, driven through cracks in the walls, was whipped into strange shapes in the back of the barn, reminding us of the meringue on a lemon pie. The geese, oddly enough, were quiet in their part of the barn. Their stamping grounds were filled with snow.

Finished with the chores, we took deep breaths and started back to the house. We made our way through mountains of snow, setting the pails of milk ahead of us on the drifts, taking another step forward, sinking into the snow up to our waists, putting the milk-pails another foot or two ahead, plunging on and on.

In the house, we dried our faces and shook snow from our coats and mufflers, pulled off our boots and emptied out snow. We sank into chairs, exhausted. This, we imagined, was what it must be like out in Montana or North Dakota, where they string wires from barns to houses so they can find their way about in a blizzard.

We listened to the morning radio

news report. ". . . Rain turning to snow for the Detroit area, snow flurries predicted for the rest of the state." Still snow flurries. Didn't anybody ever tell WJR's weather reporter anything?

All day the wind shrieked with a thousand terrifying voices, hurtling tons of snow through the air, shaking the house, rattling windows. We huddled around the fire, keeping warm enough--but the sound of the wind was such a cold sound! We needed the comfort of the fire, and one another's company to offset the dismal, frightening shrieks of the blizzard.

Toward night the wind diminished and finally quit blowing altogether. Wonderful, beautiful silence! We went out doors and took stock of the strange-looking world. We saw snow drifts eight feet high, and bare ground with grass and corn stubble still standing. It was amazing that anything was left standing! We wondered when the snow plows would get through to us.

Friday morning we started shoveling paths. The snow, hard-packed by the driving wind, came out in great blocks, making it difficult to clear it away. We shoveled snow, rubbed our aching backs, rested, shoveled snow, applied more liniment. By noon the wonderful, beautiful silence was starting to make us nervous. Not a sound of a motor anywhere. We wondered if every car was snowed in, if every road was blocked.

We were out of bread, out of meat, out of ground feed for the stock, out of smokes. Milk was beginning to pile up. A neighbor, exhausted from wading drifts to our place, said: "We've been separating our milk, saving cream and feeding the skim-milk to the pigs. But I don't know what we'll do now--all of our milk-cans are full of cream, and every pan, crock and kettle in the house is full of it."

Night, and still no snowplow came. Still no sound of a car running anywhere. The silence was almost as bad as the sound of the storm had been. "We want to see the plow go through those drifts in front of the house, house," we said. "We don't want to miss that!"

At eleven-thirty that night, we awoke to see the lights of the snowplows--two of 'em--'way past our place. They had gone through the huge snow banks, and we had missed it!

But we understood why it had taken them so long to get to us. The plows hit the drifts, backed up, hit them again, backed

again, hit them again, harder! It took them half an hour to go through one stretch of hard-packed snow not more than 80 rods in length.

Well, we were free again--as soon as we could get our driveway shoveled out. We were free to drive to town, as everyone else who had been fortunate enough to have roads cleared, was doing.

Cars were running again, people were going places. Happy, good old world, where things always get back to normal eventually, in spite of human helplessness in the face of the angry elements--and "snow flurries".

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## WEIDMAN LOCALS (1947)

Pierce Simmer, who drives the mail truck to and from Rosebush, could not get his car out until Saturday night. Preston Smith and Leo Neubecker started out Thursday for Rosebush, but couldn't get beyond McKnight's corners. U.S. -27 (now Mission St) was blocked both ways until Monday, when more and more roads were being opened up. Mr. Smith, the rural mail carrier, could not serve more than 10 miles of his route.

Jessie McConnell, who lives west of town, past the Frank Benn place, said they did not get their road cleared out until Saturday night. Mr. McConnell, with the help of another man, shoveled a half-mile stretch of snow-bound road--by hand. "We almost starved," Mr. McConnell said, "as we were nearly out of all kinds of provisions."

## CENTRAL GILMORE

By Mrs. W. R. Jarman

Mrs. Leonard Courter of Chesaning, who was seriously burned last week when their home burned to the ground and four of their children lost their lives, died in the Chesaning hospital. The Courters were Gilmore residents before moving to Chesaning.

Henry Walker of Rosebush was buried in the Gilmore Cemetery Tuesday afternoon.

Due to the snow Wednesday night the school buses have not been going, and as yet our road is not plowed out, so we have very little news for you this week. Just blame it all on the weatherman and hope he does nothing like this to us again this winter!

## NORTHWEST SHERMAN

By Mrs. F. Shook

Talk about snow--we certainly have it here! The Pure Oil Co. dug us out early Friday morning for which we were very grateful.

Mail came through Saturday.

Carl Miller has been sick with

pneumonia but is better now. Miles Miller hauled the rest of Dalton Shook's bean pods from near Woods' Store Monday.

Johnnie Beutler stayed in the oil field while it stormed and wasn't able to get home. He ate at Sides' and P. Dent's. Friday the Pure Oil and Sohio Oil Co.s plowed out to all the oil wells here.

There were eleven people at Sunday School in Sherman City Sunday. So many were snowed in. The chimney blew off the house where Mr. and Mrs. George Loomis live.

The derrick on Al Navarre's farm blew down in the storm.

## ROAD COMMISSION

RECEIVES PRAISE (Still 1947)

The County Road Commission has really had a tough time of it these past few days, trying to clear the roads of the heavy snow. There are two plows stationed at the Weidman Road Commission garage, driven by R.D. Sprague and Jim Wheeler. The men had orders to work from six in the morning until six at night, but they didn't stop there. They worked until 12, one and two o'clock or until they were ready to drop, before they quit for the day. They were late for meals, and sometimes went without food for hours.

Thursday, during the worst of the storm, both trucks worked trying to open the black-top east out of Weidman, and when they reached US-27 (now Mission St.) they found the state highway department had not yet opened that road. The trucks work as a team, to help each other in case of trouble.

One truck broke down, and had to have repairs Saturday. All during and after the storm, there were many calls for help from people who were sick; and one call was from a family of a woman having a baby.

Many roads still are not cleared out. We can understand it now, since we learned that it took two hours for the plows to clear snow from a one-mile stretch of road in Coldwater Twp., near Emerson Cheadle's place. There are many places nearly as bad as this.

Mrs. Herb Sloan, of Coldwater, died during the storm, and the plows worked Friday trying to reach the Sloan family. Finally, a tractor with a bigger plow was sent out, and reached the Sloans.

The local plows reached the J. A. Pennington family late Friday night, after an emergency call was received telling of Mrs. Pennington's illness. The Penningtons live east of the Sherman oil field.

From those of us who have been plowed out, Thanks, boys!



THEY REALLY HAD FUN--At Beal City's Las Vegas Night Saturday. Blackjack was the most popular card game. Photo by Ben Weber

**Local Items**

Mr. and Mrs. Spike Branson and children visited his brother, Bob, and family, in Lansing, Sunday.

Mrs. Claribel Beutler was a Sunday dinner guest of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Beutler. In the afternoon she, Mary and Marian Beutler attended the 50th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Fountain, at the Masonic Temple in Remus.

One year ago today the high temperature was 20 and the low was four degrees above zero. The next two days were sunny, but the highs and lows were 20, minus 10 on Feb. 2, and 12 and minus 20 on Feb. 3.

Dear Connie  
Here is my check for renewal of the Weidman Messenger. I enjoy the paper very much.  
Ida Downing  
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Four years ago today, the high and low temperatures were 22 and 15.

**West Gilmore**

Lena Cole, Reporter

Mrs. Helen Allbee spent the weekend at her home, after some time spent with her daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Allbee.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Mahon and Melissa and Ronnie were Sunday dinner guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Kripa.

The Paul Coles and Velma were Saturday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Kripa.

Little Rusty Dennis was also a dinner guest of his grandparents, the Kripas.

We also called on Mrs. Tony Masiwchuk Saturday. She still remains in CMC Hospital.

Mrs. Beulah Pfannes and Mrs. Ella Martin of Flint spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Richard Pfannes. They live in rural Harrison.

Tony Masiwchuk called on the Paul Coles Sunday.

Our little Miss Shriver has been named Cindy Michelle.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Mahon and baby of Germany are enjoying a month's vacation at home, due

to the death of her father. The family have our sympathy.  
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## BOY SCOUTS

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BSA Troop No. 692, sponsored by the Weidman Lions Club, reorganized in September. It began with only four registered Scouts and very little capital or equipment.

Since that time, its enrollment has grown to 22 boys, and the troop is currently engaged in a door-to-door selling campaign, to raise money for troop equipment and to help send the boys to camp.

Also, because of the relatively new status of the troop, there is a need for Scout uniforms. If you have an old Boy Scout uniform that you'd like to donate to the troop, please call the Scoutmaster, Terry Klumpp, at 644-3315, after 6 p. m., or on weekends, or Mrs. Phyllis Sides at 644-3595.

Troop 692 meets each Monday evening from 7 to 8, 30 in the Weidman Methodist Church basement.

Anyone interested in the troop's program may call the Scoutmaster at the above number.

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## LAMAZE CHILDBIRTH CLASSES START FEB. 7

A new series of Lamaze childbirth preparation classes, sponsored by the Association for prepared childbirth, will begin Feb. 7 at 7.30 p. m. at the West Intermediate Jr. High in Mt. Pleasant.

For more information, or to register, call the registrar, Pam Fultz at 772-2878, or Mary Abler at 772-0640.

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## S. W. Sherman

Mabel Chaffee, Reporter

Goldie Dutcher was admitted to CMC Hospital in Mt. Pleasant Friday evening. She was feeling better Sunday, after undergoing tests and x-rays. Our thoughts

and prayers go out to you, Goldie. Get well soon!

Lou Ann Maeder and Mark were Sunday guests of her parents, the Harry Gatehouses. The Gary Gatehouses and the Dale Gatehouses were callers during the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Oplinger enjoyed Sunday dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher, Jr.

George Woodin called on the Dutchers during the week.

Millie Voss and son, Stacey, and Alan Sheldon were Saturday dinner guests of Mabel Chaffee. The boys helped Mabel move some furniture. Thanks, fellas.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Flaughner are enjoying their new great-grandson, Christopher, born last week to Mr. and Mrs. Marty Snyder (Debbie Flaughner). Babies are for loving and spoiling.

Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Dutcher of Clarkston, the Jack Dutchers of Lake Orion, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Gaudard of Midland, the William Remingtons of Saginaw, Jackie Smith of Mt. Pleasant, and Chuck Gaudard of Lansing were Saturday and Sunday guests of the Ervin Dutchers, Sr., and also visited Goldie in the hospital Sunday.

The Jack and Monroe Dutchers visited Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher, Jr., Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Fitzgerald attended the Golden Wedding anniversary party for the Lee Fountains of Remus, Sunday.

Wednesday, the Fitzgeralds drove to Lakeview and picked up the Clayton Stephans, then all went to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dan Carr at Amble, to enjoy dinner. They visited the James Taylors at Blanchard en-route home.

Florence Fitzgerald of Lansing enjoyed the weekend with her parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Milo Henkel of Mecosta were Thursday afternoon guests of the Fitzgeralds.

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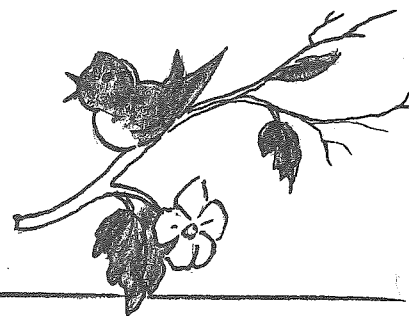
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