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Editor's Column

By Connie

THE MESSENGER IS A SMALL AND HUMBLE NEWSPAPER

The Weidman Messenger makes no pretensions of journalistic gyrations. The Messenger is a small and humble paper, devoted to recording a weekly journal of the lives and times of people on the west half of Isabella County.

No more, no less.

Other media may carry the world news, the state news, the whole of Isabella County news (that'll be the day!), but the Messenger just jogs along, putting in print the joys and sorrows of the home-folks of our area.

We have no intention of making the Messenger a "bigger" paper. It is just big enough so it has room for news of our half of the county, and just small enough so Ye Ed can handle it alone, with the sometime help of big-hearted friends and relatives in time of need. (Thanks, Ruth Momany, Thanks, Frances Tranbarger, for your indispensable help during September, October, and November!)

Ye Ed is the world's worst ad-saleswoman. ("You don't want to put an ad in the paper next week, do you?") So the Messenger doesn't have a lot of ads, but it does have room for the news.

Apparently people like that. Our subscription rate is probably the highest in the nation for a paper of our size.

Yet you folks send or bring in your five dollars or your seven-fifties for another year of the Messenger.

Each week we take on a few new subscribers; not a rush of them, but some. Our mailing list is paid up; we carry no "dead-heads," as we say in the trade.

The Messenger certainly is not a throw-away sheet. It's read and passed on to others, regularly. We can't prove it at the postoffice, but we figure we have a readership of 1,500 families.

We are encouraged and flattered by all this. Looks like the little paper will keep on going for quite some time.

We'll do our best to give you the news of "The West Half of Isabella County."

Oh, yes; and some say it's Better Than a Letter.

Thanks for readin' us.



FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY NAME OFFICERS--Despite a light turnout at last Wednesday evening's meeting of Friends of the Library of Weidman, officers were named and the Friends became a duly organized reality. The Messenger camera caught only a few in attendance: Lloyd Hansen, Librarian of the Mt. Pleasant Public Library (foreground, left); Diane Benn, Gail Krueger, Clerk of Broomfield Township; and Ruth Momany and Carol Schafer.

Mrs. Schafer accepted the office of president of the organization; Barbara VanderSys was named vice-president, Jan Carrick member-at-large, and Diane Benn secretary.

Mr. Hansen explained advantages of the Weidman Library's becoming a branch of the Mt. Pleasant Public Library, which has huge resources in books, periodicals and materials. He assured the Weidman people that the Weidman Library will have access to new books--"We will buy (for the Mt. Pleasant Library) \$12,000 worth of new books and periodicals this next



LLOYD HANSEN--Friendly and helpful Head Librarian of the Mt. Pleasant Public Library, explained all points of doubt or confusion at the meeting.

year. And you will be as much an integral part of my library as the Mt. Pleasant Library itself."

The Mt. Pleasant Library is headquarters for the Chippewa Library League, and has access to all State Library books.

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Men in Uniform

Sp/4 and Mrs. Thomas A. Flower are the proud parents of a boy, born at 8.08 last Thursday evening, Jan. 8, at CMC Hospital in Mt. Pleasant.

The young man weighed six pounds, three ounces, and has been named David James.

Mrs. Marie Rahl of Beal City is the maternal grandmother. The baby is the first grandchild for the David Flowers, and the first great-grandchild for the John Showalters of Mt. Pleasant.

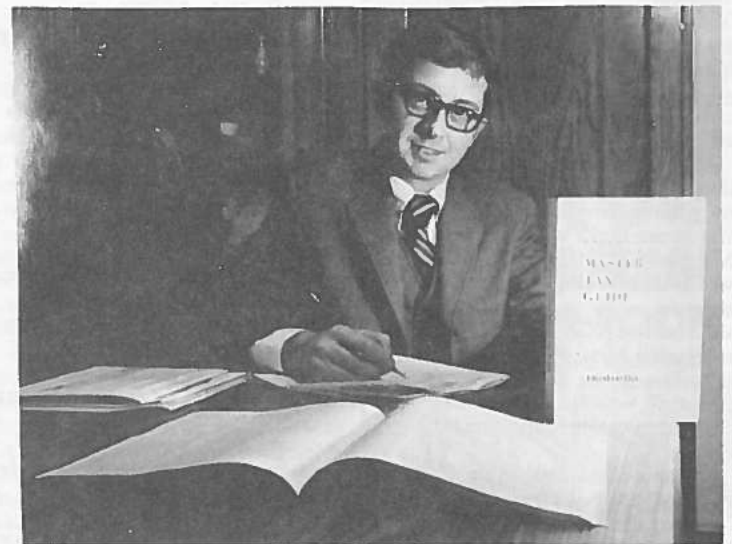
Notice was sent to Tom Friday through the County Red Cross.

Tom has a change of address, and he says he is near where Gary Thomas is stationed, and planned to contact him. Tom will be home about the middle of April, with his two years of service completed after processing, probably in May. His new address:

Sp/4 Thomas A. Flower, [redacted], H.H.B. 1st Bn., 28th Arty. S2, APO New York 09185.

Tom is working as a typist in the security department at Headquarters.

Bruce Reed returned home from Vietnam Dec. 18. He (Continued on Back Page)



GEORGE MILLER

Messenger Photo

George Miller, an administrative assistant at CMU, and an accountant with considerable experience on income-tax-form preparation, will conduct a series of classes on "Preparation of Your Income Tax Return," in the Weidman School cafeteria beginning Thursday, Jan. 29, at 7 p.m. That's beginning

week after next, so note the date and sign up if you need help in preparing your income tax return.

The class will run for seven weeks, with a fee of \$5, under the aegis of the Adult Education programs directed by Mike

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S. W. Sherman

Goldie Dutcher, Reporter

Rev. and Mrs. Russell Stanley of Mt. Morris were Tuesday callers of Mr. and Mrs. George Merrihew. They came to attend the funeral of his grandfather, Andrew Irwin, Sr. Theron Merrihew was a Sunday evening caller.

Orrie Merrihew had x-rays at CMC Hospital Monday.

The Alan Marshalls and Dean Chaffees were callers of the Clarence Chaffees during the week.

Mrs. Ronna Dutcher and Sandra called on Mrs. Clayton Dutcher Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Dutcher and David Dutcher had Sunday dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Richard Dutcher and Douglas.

Mrs. Ronna Dutcher and Sandra and Mrs. Clayton Dutcher called on the Ervin Dutchers Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Beutler attended the wedding of Miss Frances Wilson and Douglas Smith Saturday evening at the First Methodist Church in Mt. Pleasant.

Mrs. Barbara Dutcher and Douglas called on her folks, Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Case, and Burgess, Sunday afternoon.

Fern Baker and son, Chris, flew home to White Pine, U.P., Saturday, after spending the week with her folks, the Clarence Chaffees. She left the hospital last Monday.

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Brinton News

Frances Beck, Reporter

Joyce Geasler spent from Thursday till Monday in Lansing, at the home of her son, Mitch Geasler. She stayed with her grandchildren while Mitch and Marjorie were in Alabama.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Bowen called on Mrs. Leland Bowen at Evans Lake Friday.

Mrs. Larry Baker and son, Curtis, returned home last week by plane. She has been spending some time with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Chaffee, while recovering from recent surgery.

The Merry Go Round Club met with Mrs. Ralph Geasler last Thursday. The February meeting will be held at the Community Hall in Brinton, Feb. 12.

Frances Beck called on Opal Tower Monday afternoon.

Nora Geasler called on her daughter, Mrs. Carol Cummings, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Chaffee called on Mr. and Mrs. Ken Baker Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Darrel Haenke and baby spent Friday with Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Bowen.

Word was received Monday that Edith Lundene passed away at Brookings, Oregon. She was

91 years old, and died Jan. 3. Older residents will remember that she was the oldest daughter of Dr. Frye of Brinton. She was a half-sister to Beulah Barnum. Beulah was in Oregon at the time of the death of her son, Philip, and she came home for the funeral and while here, her sister passed away.

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N. Broomfield

Ken Ehler of Shepherd called on his uncle and aunt, the Robert Fannings, recently. Thursday evening visitors of the Fannings were Mr. and Mrs. Herman Lueder.

Mr. and Mrs. Emil Lueder of Coldwater Lake were Saturday evening luncheon guests of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Lueder.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Cook and Sandra spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. George Dodge of Owosso.

Mr. and Mrs. Orves Cook spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Emerson Borders of Marion.

Mrs. Robert Hines was an overnight guest of the Gene Flachs Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Cook and family, who built a basement home on the Coldwater Road, have taken possession.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Adams visited his mother near Mt. Pleasant Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Lueder had Sunday dinner with Mr. E. R. Rhode and Harold.

Stewart Cook called on his grandmother, Mrs. Maycie Cook, of Edmore, Sunday. Visitors of Mrs. Cook the past week were Mrs. Paul Lueder, Mrs. Lyda Lueder, Mrs. E. R. Rhode, Mrs. Ralph Strong, Roderrick Nicholson, Mrs. Robert Cook, and Mrs. Nettie Crowley.

Mrs. Gail Krueger received a phone call Sunday from her mother, Mrs. Raymond Shook, from Sarasota, Florida, stating the weather was ideal. She is near the circus headquarters.

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SENIOR CITIZENS HAVE 15 1/2 TABLES IN PLAY

At their regular card party last Thursday, Jan. 8, the Senior Citizens' card party at Beal City had 15 1/2 tables in play.

Players attend the Beal City parties from all parts of the county, and the events are locally planned and are enjoyed by all.

Last week's committee included Kate Schumacher, Agnes Sheahan, Pauline Horan, Minnie Schafer, and Bertha Schumacher.

Ella Tilmann won first prize for the ladies, with Gertrude Gross winning second.

W.A. Appelgreen won first for the men, with Herman Cook second. Rose Hauck won the door prize, and Rose Schafer the pepper prize.

The next party will be next Thursday afternoon, Jan. 22.

Local Items

Floyd Allen of St. Louis spent from Friday till Sunday at the home of his son, Alton Allen, and wife. The Alton Allens took him back to a rest home in St. Louis Sunday afternoon, and visited her mother, Mrs. Clara Green, in Wheeler.

Mrs. Bertha Clark was still in CMC Hospital the first of the week, suffering a broken knee. She was reported as improving.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Embrey and family of Farwell were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Embrey and family Sunday.

Mrs. Tom Flower was expected to leave CMC Hospital Tuesday with her new son, David James. She will spend some time with her mother, Mrs. Marie Rahl.

Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Kniffen and family of Lansing spent the weekend with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Goodrich.

Mrs. Kit Johnson spent Thursday and Friday with Mr. and Mrs. Dave Brown of rural Mt.

Pleasant.

Mr. and Mrs. Clare Oberlin of Lansing were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Fey Johnson and family.

Mrs. Lida Cole was reported quite ill at Pleasant Manor in Mt. Pleasant, the first of the week. She is the mother of Mrs. James Noe.

Mr. and Mrs. James Pitts were Sunday dinner guests at the home of their son, Bernard, and family, in Weidman. Leon McArthur was also a guest.

Elton Miller of Shepherd was named Realtor of the Year by the Isabella-Gratiot Board of Realtors recently. Bernard Pitts of Weidman is a salesman for Mr. Miller's office.

Michael, small son of Mr. and Mrs. Gary St. John, was four years old Saturday. The family celebrated with a Sunday visit with her folks, Mr. and Mrs. Orville Bates, at Clare. In the afternoon they all attended a 25th wedding anniversary at the Beaverton Town Hall honoring Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bennett.
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NOTICE--The Robertson Direc-
tory will be available to peo-
ple who have purchased it this
month, according to the pub-
lishers. Lucille Smith, census
taker.

Jan. 15 t1

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Jan. 15t1

Notice

I will be at the Weidman State
Bank on Thursday, Jan. 22,
1970, from 1 p. m. to 3 p. m.,
and at the Beal City Service Sta-
tion on Saturday, Jan. 24, 1970,
from 1 p. m. to 4 p. m., to re-
ceive Senior Citizens' home-
stead tax exemption affidavits
for 1970.

Ernest Schmidt
Supervisor
Nottawa Township
Jan. 15t1



In loving memory of Howard
Wood, who passed away two
years ago Jan. 21, 1968.
Sadly missed by his wife, Flora,
and his children and grandchild-
ren.
"Your memory is forever in our
hearts."

Card of Thanks

I want to thank all my rela-
tives, friends, and neighbors,
for the get-well cards, and the
flowers sent to me while I was
in the hospital.

Also the nursing staff at CMC
Hospital for their care and kind-
ness. A special Thanks to Bon-
nie for helping here at home.
It was all deeply appreciated.
Jennie Sprague.

Legal Notice

NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING
OF SHAREHOLDERS, WEIDMAN
STATE BANK, WEIDMAN, MICH-
IGAN

TAKE NOTICE: A Special Meet-
ing of the Shareholders of the
Weidman State Bank will be held
at the main office of the Weid-
man State Bank, Weidman, Mich-
igan, at 8:30 p. m., on Tuesday,
the 20th day of January, 1970,
for the following purposes:

1. To consider the consolida-
tion of the Isabella County
State Bank of Mount Pleasant,
Michigan, and the Weidman
State Bank, of Weidman, Mich-
igan, under the name of "Isa-
bella County State Bank" and
under the charter of "Isabella
County State Bank".
2. To transact such other bus-
iness as may be brought before
the meeting or any adjourn-
ment thereof.

By Order of the Board of Di-
rectors
Mitchell L. McArthur, Cash-
ier.

Jan. 8t2

HOME PAPER FOR THE WEST
HALF OF ISABELLA COUNTY

the Churches

WEIDMAN UNITED METHODIST
Rev. Lawrence Smith, Pastor
Church School, 10 a. m.
Worship, 11 a. m.
M. Y. F. Sunday, 6 p. m.
Thursday evening, 7.30, choir
practice.

BROOMFIELD ZION LUTHERAN
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man on Coldwater Road.
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Worship Service, 10.30 a. m.
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Wednesday of each month.

WEIDMAN BAPTIST CHURCH
Rev. Marvin Eldridge, Pastor
Sunday School, 10 a. m.
Church Service, 11 a. m.
Monday, Jan. 19, is our Mis-
sionary meeting at Karen Well-
man's home. The meeting will
begin at 1.30 p. m.

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Morning Worship, 11 a. m.
Sunday School, 10 a. m.
Youth Service, 6.45 p. m.
Evening Preaching, 7.30 p. m.
Mid-week Service:
Wednesday prayer meeting,
7.30 p. m.

GILMORE CHURCH OF CHRIST
George Getchel, Pastor
Church Service, 9 a. m.
Sunday School, 10 a. m.
Church Service, 11 a. m.

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Coldwater Lake
Marjorie Schafer, Reporter

Hi:

Sorry about not getting news
out last week, but we had to get
a new truck for our business. We
sold our truck to Alvie Haynes.
He left Friday for California, af-
ter spending a few weeks here
with his daughter, Mrs. Don
Schafer, and family. He also
visited his other children in and
near Mt. Pleasant.

Carol and Joe Marchiando and
children returned home last Wed-
nesday after spending the holi-
days in Florida with Joe's parents.
Last Friday evening Scott and
Daphne Frear were their guests
for supper. Carol's mother, Ger-
aldine Horan, spent Saturday at
the Marchiando home.

Saw in the paper that Esther
Morford was in the hospital a
day or so. I called her and she
said she was in for x-rays and
tests, and found she had an ul-
cer. She received a get-well
card from Laura Hyslop, an old
neighbor and friend, formerly of
Coldwater Lake.

Tuesday evening Ed and I call-
ed on Fred and Helen Graham in

Mt. Pleasant, and enjoyed an
evening of cards. Wednesday ev-
ening our son, Don, and wife,
Judy, came over and played
cards with us.

Ed's folks, Mr. and Mrs. Tony
Schafer, have been on the sick
list for some time now. Mom
Schafer had the flu for around
two weeks, and Dad has been
bothered with his heart. Monday
morning they were feeling bet-
ter.

There has been quite a bit of
flu going around. Carol Marchi-
ando had it while in Florida, and
the Peter Lorenz family and the
Frank Hautps had it.

Pete and Loretta Lorenz spent
one evening last week with their
son, Bill, and family, in Mt.
Pleasant.

Joe and Nora Gruss called at
the Lorenz home Monday after-
noon. Guests over the weekend
were Vera and Max Straus, Rose
and Paul Simmer, Bernice and
Richard Gruss, Tom and Enid
Schafer, Thelma Bossche, Ray-
mond Martin, and Linda Sim-
mer.

A number of people from this
area attended a Jamboree at Far-
well Sunday afternoon. We all
went up with Joe and Donna
Schafer, to celebrate this re-
porter's birthday. Andy Little
was there, celebrating his 75th
birthday. Happy Birthday, Andy!
See you next week.

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NEWS NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Suman
have done a beautiful job of re-
modeling their home on Main
Street, with aluminum siding
and an added garage among the
many improvements. It is now
an imposing home. Further work
is planned for spring, including
an enclosed patio on the east
side. The Sumans have another
patio, to the north of the house.

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Walker Creek News

Esther Stanley, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Dillenberg visited Mr. and Mrs. Austin Dent Friday evening.

Mrs. Donald Zill took their son, Terry, to the doctor at Mt. Pleasant Monday forenoon. The little fellow has been having ear trouble again, and will visit a specialist at Midland soon. Hope to hear he'll soon be better.

Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Voss of south Weidman visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Voss, Sunday. Mrs. Frances Beck called Monday.

Miss Sarah Baines of Gray Lake and Master Larry Zill were Sunday dinner guests of Eddie, Debbie and Susan Schrock at the home of their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Schrock.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Skalitzky visited Mr. and Mrs. Ward Loomis at Sherman City Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Otis Conley attended a square dance party at Beal City Sunday.

Mrs. Robert Corwin, Robert, Jr., and Kyle Marie of Fenton spent the week with Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Denslow. Mr. Corwin came Friday night, spending the weekend. Mr. and Mrs. Micky Dargitz and family of rural Remus, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Denslow and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Packer and family of Deerfield Center were Sunday guests. Mr. Packer

brought his new snowmobile and all enjoyed a ride.

Mrs. Lou Gray and Mrs. Gary Portenga, Kimberly and Lee Ann, visited Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Gray at Lansing Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lou Gray brought his father, Ernest Gray, from the Hamilton rest home for Sunday dinner. Mrs. Ward Loomis of Sherman City and Mr. and Mrs. Loren Gray and family of Mt. Pleasant were also dinner guests.

Mrs. Max Kimball and children of Richmond visited Mr. and Mrs. Warren Leiter and family Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Gary Portenga were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Miles Miller Saturday evening, enjoying dinner at Wyman.

Mr. and Mrs. Portenga and family were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Werenga of Mt. Pleasant.

Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Loomis and family visited Mr. and Mrs. Keith Loomis and daughters Thursday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Loomis and daughters visited Mr. and Mrs. Richard Theisen and family of Mt. Pleasant Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Denslow and Denise were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ronald De Vries and children of Big Rapids.

Visitors and callers during the week at the Stanley home were Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Monroe and Mrs. Earl Place of northwest

Brinton, who brought some lovely rosebuds from the Weidman "Hep" TOPS Club, and Wayne Elliott, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Elliott of Mt. Pleasant, who was returning to Vietnam Tuesday. Our prayers go with him for a safe return home.

NEWS NOTES

Miss Susan Sanders of Pontiac spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Sanders.

Mr. and Mrs. Clare Oberlin of Lansing were Sunday callers to Mr. and Mrs. R.D. Sprague. **BETTER THAN A LETTER**

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Beal City

Dora Smith, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Steve Fox of Mt. Pleasant spent Sunday afternoon and evening with his mother, Mrs. Clara Fox.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Keiffer made a trip to Pewamo Saturday, and also visited her nephew and niece, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Russell, and family of Matherston, and Mrs. Joe Bierstetel. She is in the Carson City hospital.

Mrs. Joe Pung and Mrs. John E. Schafer spent Wednesday with Peter Schafer. Will Pung called later in the afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Gross have named their new baby Kay.

Mrs. Rose Grinzing called on Louise Smith Saturday morning. Dan Bovin of Lansing spent Friday and Saturday at the Smith home.

Ginger Rau spent the weekend with her parents, the Walter Raus.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Klumpp of Mt. Pleasant spent Saturday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Tony Schafer. Mr. Schafer is quite ill at this writing.

Mrs. Milo Eldred of Blanchard spent Sunday afternoon at the Tony Schafer home. Other callers were Jerry Schafer, Bob Scha-

fer, and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Schafer.

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MARRIED IN ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH FRIDAY EVENING

Miss Paulette Schafer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Schafer, became the bride of Neal Wood, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Wood, in an evening ceremony Friday at St. Joseph's Church in Beal City, with Rev. Father Neubecker officiating.

About 200 guests were present at the wedding, and a huge crowd attended the reception at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Beal City.

The wedding was beautiful, with the bride wearing a white velvet gown with long train, and the bridesmaids wearing cobalt-blue gowns, with matching headpieces with fresh flowers.

Rose Curtiss, the bride's sister, served the wedding cake at the reception.

The happy young couple left on a short honeymoon trip to Northern Michigan, after which they will be at home at Coldwater Lake until Neal goes into Army Reserve training, when they will make their home in Big Rapids.

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BETTER THAN A LETTER

Around Horr

Jessie Rosencrantz, Reporter
Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Dent were Tuesday supper guests of the Chuck Roberts family in Lansing. They were Friday supper guests at the Lynn Johnson home, celebrating Sherri's birthday. Gerald spent Saturday in Detroit. Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Dent called on her mother, Mrs. Emily Wood, in Weidman.

Bob Thompson attended a folk dance, put on by the school orchestra Friday evening, at Remus. Mrs. Betty Thompson called on Mrs. Margie Hyder and girls that evening.

Bob and Bill Thompson were Sunday dinner guests at the Roy Hewlett home. They, with the Workman boys, attended U. M. Y. S. toboggan party at Sanderson Hill near Millbrook, in the afternoon.

Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jay Denslow were Mr. and Mrs. John Tice of Clare and Mr. and Mrs. Harold St. John of Lansing. We are sorry to report Mr. St. John is in very poor health.

Saturday callers of Mrs. Nettie Lawrence were Mrs. Joe Martin and Brad and Mrs. Alma White. They took Mrs. Lawrence for a snowmobile ride.

Kenny Oplinger spent the weekend in Grand Rapids.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Losey and Mr. and Mrs. Theron Merrihew were Sunday afternoon callers at the Charlie Losey home. Mr. and Mrs. Dick Dutcher were evening callers.

Mr. and Mrs. Benn Johnson and children spent Saturday over night and Sunday in Lake City.

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Chapman were Sunday dinner guests of her parents, the Gerald Loseys.

And no matter how bad the weather is, I have a tulip in blossom.

Mrs. Sidney Lawrence visited the state-owned Ringling Museums while vacationing in Florida recently. The Museums were a gift of John Ringling to the state of Florida, where the circus always wintered. The Ringling Museums have many outstanding historical and artistic collections housed in sumptuous buildings. In addition to exhibiting the permanent collections, the Museums' functions include art exhibitions, art education services, lectures, films, concerts, chamber music, a winter opera season and a winter and summer festival of plays by the Asolo Theater Festival company, the official state theater of Florida.

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Weidman Messenger

GERMAN MEASLES IMMUNIZATION PROGRAM STARTS THIS WEEK

An epidemic of rubella (German measles) is predicted for this school year. The Central Michigan District Health Departments are starting a program, beginning this week, of immunizing children in kindergartens through third grade to this disease.

This is the age group considered as the major source of epidemic danger, the Health Department says. While rubella, or German measles, is not a severe disease for children, in fact it is generally a mild illness, the department says, it is these small children who will carry the disease and expose adults, with especial concern for pregnant women.

When rubella hits a woman in early pregnancy her baby may die before being born; or be born with severe mental or physical damage.

It is this consideration, and an effort to reduce the number of babies born handicapped, both physically and mentally, that urges the Health Department to attempt to get small school-tots immunized before they can spread the disease germs to women about to become mothers.

It has been noted that a great many parents have returned permission slips to schools with the annotation that their children have had measles. They may have had measles, but probably not rubella, or German measles, the Health Department says.

Or parents say their children have been immunized to measles, which may be the case for

AUTHORIZATION FOR RUBELLA VACCINATION

NOTE: If your child is currently under regular medical treatment, is being treated regularly with drugs, or is allergic to chickens or ducks, or their eggs or feathers, you should check with your family doctor before the child receives rubella vaccine.

I request the health department to immunize my child,-----
 ----- against rubella. Age-----. Grade-----
 (child's name)
 School-----

Date----- Signed-----
 (Parent or Guardian)

(Or)
 I do NOT want my child immunized against rubella because-----

(Child's Name)
 Date----- Signed-----
 (Parent or Guardian)

ordinary or "hard" measles. But this is the first time vaccine for rubella has been available, and therefore no children so far have been immunized to this disease unless they receive the vaccine now.

Above is the permission card parents are urged to fill out and send to your child's teacher. The child may take it to school and give it to the teacher.

Dr. Richard F. Nowak, medical director of the Central Michigan Health Departments (with offices in six cities in central Michigan), stresses the point that women who are scheduled to receive the live virus must not be pregnant at the time of immunization. He further notes that routine immunization of adolescent girls and adult women should not be undertaken, because of the danger of inadvertently administering vaccine before pregnancy becomes evident.

Rubella's only but very great threat is to the babies not yet born, the Health Department stresses. Physical defects and deformities, as well as mental retardation, are the usual results of a mother's suffering rubella during pregnancy.

For little kids the disease is no threat. A simple vaccination process can help eliminate this threat to continued great numbers of defective children born every year in America.

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NEWS NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. Clare Oberlin of Lansing called on Blanche Cliff and Mildred Tompkins Sunday. Ruth Hutchins of Rosebush was also a visitor.

Mrs. Nina Forbes was a Sunday dinner guest at the home of her son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Gale Brien, of Shepherd. They all called on Mrs. Ron Kennedy and girls in the afternoon.

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itors.
 The John Harveys and the Bill Sweets were Sunday guests of Mrs. Charles Harvey. Mrs. Jola French of Morley is spending some time with Mrs. Harvey.
 Mr. and Mrs. Louis Larson of Tuscola were Monday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Chris Larson.
 Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Flaughter and family and Mrs. Richard Flaughter and children were Saturday evening visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Flaughter.
 Mr. and Mrs. Lindy Swan and baby have moved up from Milan and are spending a while with the Fred Swans till their house is ready.
 Elton Simmer stayed with his grandmother, Blanche Carr, Friday. Mrs. Steve Simmer and Janet, Mrs. Herb Riley and Mrs. Carr attended a baby shower for Mrs. Norman Carr at the home of her sister, Mrs. Harry Morey, of rural Winn, Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Leider are visiting their son, Frank, and family, and their daughter and family, the Tom Taylors, of Detroit.

Mrs. Lovica Krueger spent the weekend with the Harold Kruegers.

Mr. and Mrs. Miles Bunting were Friday afternoon visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Oral Bunting.

Mrs. Ernest Kennedy spent from Wednesday till Friday as a patient in CMC Hospital.

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Mr. and Mrs. R.D. Sprague took Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Sprague and girls out to dinner at Rosebush Sunday.

Two Rivers

Blanche Carr, Reporter

Kathy and Clay McCreight spent the weekend with their aunt and uncle, the Edwin Coursers.

Mrs. Leona Courser and Mrs. Ella Cox and Mrs. Kate Martin attended C.M.B. Club at the home of Mrs. Leon Bunker of Mt. Pleasant Thursday. Mrs. Courser and Mrs. Cox also attended the Coomer Ladies' Aid at the home of Mrs. Ethel Vroman Wednesday. Leona's sister, Mrs. Nick Breuer, and brother, Fred Woodruff, were Sunday vis-

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Real Estate Transfers

The following land transfers were recorded this week at the office of Isabella County Register of Deeds Donald R. Sandbrook: Charlie C. Cernek et al to John R. Harkins & Wife; Lot 55, Bamber Woods No. 2, City of Mt. Pleasant.

Neva Jean Garrett Cole to Ferris Diehl & Wife et al; NW¹/₄ SE¹/₄ SE¹/₄ of Sec. 29, Broomfield Twp.

Alger Smock & Wife to Gene Stanley Bowers & Wife; Pt. SW¹/₄ SW¹/₄ of Sec. 23, Vernon Twp.

Thomas M. Tresh & Wife to Douglas W. McFarlane & Wife; Lot 8, Broadway Acres, City of Mt. Pleasant.

Douglas W. McFarlane & Wife to Thomas M. Tresh & Wife; Lot 47, Pt. Lot 48, Greenbrier Estates, City of Mt. Pleasant.

James William Gifford to Alden D. Brookens & Wife; NW¹/₄ SW¹/₄ SW¹/₄ of Sec. 33, Fremont Twp.

Edward Olger & Wife to Charles P. Scott & Wife; S¹/₂ NE¹/₄ NE¹/₄ of Sec. 10, Coldwater Twp.

Marvel Collard to Abdo & McBride; Pt. NW¹/₄ NW¹/₄ of Sec. 17, Rolland Twp.

George Card et al to Michael J. Murphy; Pt. Lots 4, 5, Blk. 14, Original Plat, Pt. SW¹/₄ NE¹/₄ of Sec. 15, Union Twp.

Burton E. Maybee & Wife to Charles G. Brown & Wife; Lots 4, 9, 10, Blk. 2, Millers Addition to Salt River, Shepherd.

Lloyd V. Bufford et al to Francis T. Connors & Wife; Lot 3, Green Acres Sub., Union Twp.

Michael J. Murphy & Wife to City of Mt. Pleasant; Pt. Lots 4, 5, Blk. 14, Original Plat, Pt. SW¹/₄ NE¹/₄ of Sec. 15, Union Twp.

Ojibwa Development Corp. to Richard A. Tilmann, Jr. & Wife; Lot 103 Ojibwa Recreation Area No. 1, Sherman Twp.

Est. of Archie McLean to Raymond E. Shafe & Donna M.; N¹/₂ NW¹/₄ of Sec. 9, Sherman Twp.

Est. of Phyllis R. Heinlein to Consolidated Apartment Corp.; Lot 49, Assessors Plat No. 5, City of Mt. Pleasant.

John Swetz & Wife to Glenn R. Carter & Wife; Lot 40, Dim-it's Subdivision, Union Twp.

Harold Verleger & Wife to Charles D. MacGregor & Wife; E¹/₂ Lot 39, South Gate, Sub. No. 2, Union Twp.

Harold W. Stegman & Wife to

Robert L. Lovejoy & Wife; Pt. NW¹/₄ SW¹/₄ of Sec. 14, Union Twp.

Lake Isabella Corporation to Robert P. Kurger & Wife; Lot 51, Lake Isabella Woods No. 1, Sherman Twp.

Lake Isabella Corp. to James J. Higgins & Wife; Lot 178, Lake Isabella Plat Golf Ests. No. 1, Broomfield Twp.

Lake Isabella Corp. to Guy E. Stuart; Lot 59, Lake Isabella Golf Ests. No. 1, Sherman Twp.

Lake Isabella Corp. to Willis G. Troup & Wife; Lot 33, Lake Isabella Golf Ests. No. 1, Sherman Twp.

Lake Isabella Corp. to Hubert G. Wells & Wife; Lot 170, Lake Isabella Plat No. 2, Sherman Twp.

Lake Isabella Corp. to Golden T. Grigg & Wife; Lot 167, 168, 169, Lake Isabella Golf Ests. No. 1, Sherman and Broomfield Twp.

Lake Isabella Corp. to Herbert E. Serum & Wife; Lot 145, Lake Isabella Plat No. 2, Sherman Twp.

Wood Agency, Inc. to Ernest D. Egbert; Pt. W¹/₂ SW¹/₄ of Sec. 35, Coldwater Twp.

Wielenga Bros. Builders to Dr. Bruce W. Allen; Pt. Lots 1, 2, Stones Outlots, Union Twp.

Charles R. Hild & Wife to Wielenga Bros. Builders; Pt. Lots 1, 2, Stone Outlots, Union Twp.

Ralph J. Miller & Wife to Wendall E. Peck & Wife; W¹/₂ SW¹/₄ SW¹/₄ NW¹/₄ of Sec. 9, Isabella Twp.

Clayton Taylor et al to Paul Hubscher; E¹/₂ NE¹/₄ of Sec. 29, Deerfield Twp.

William Maeder & Wife to Edward F. Osborn & Wife; Pt. S¹/₂ NW¹/₄ of Sec. 24, Sherman Twp.

William H. Crawford & Wife to Neil G. Litwiller & Wife to Neil G. Litwiller & Wife; NW¹/₄ NE¹/₄ of Sec. 32, Isabella Twp.

Joseph W. Grace & Wife to Pauline E. Childs; Lot 49, Westlawn, Village of Shepherd.

Robert L. Lovejoy & Wife to Harold W. Stegman & Wife; Lot 10, N¹/₂ Lot 11, Westchester, Union Twp.

Harold R. Verleger & Wife to Joseph V. Doepker & Wife; Lot 45, O'Haras Subdivision No. 4, Union Twp. ---0---

Local Items

Mrs. Millie Voss took her sister, Laura Latham, to her doctor in Clare last Tuesday.

Francis Blodgett of Houghton Lake visited his brother, Earl, and wife, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Wilson were Saturday supper guests of Mrs. Nina Forbes.

Where To Write Your Congressmen

(Write Legislators Protesting the School Reorganization Section of School Bill.)

U.S. Sen. Philip A. Hart
Old Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20315

U.S. Sen. Robert P. Griffin
Old Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20315

Cong. Elford A. Cederberg
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Legislators

State Sen. John R. Toepp
State Senate Building
Lansing, Mich. 48901

State Rep. Russell H. Strange
House of Representatives
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LIBRARY ORGANIZES
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He pinpointed Weidman's responsibilities as follows: The Library building; major equipment; heating, lighting, upkeep of the building, and a librarian's salary, which may be infinitesimal or on the substantial side, according to Weidman people's wishes.

J. Allen Lampman, attorney for the Mt. Pleasant Library Board, had expressed hope that the township in which the building is located would accept the deed and be the legal owner, also accepting supervision and responsibility for the Library.

Clyde Beutler, Sherman Township Supervisor, expressed reluctance in any thought of Sherman Township alone accepting the deed.

However, it was brought out after the meeting, if Sherman refuses the Village of Weidman this service, there are other methods of insuring the stability of the Library and the Library Board.

Canisters have been placed in the Weidman State Bank and at Rau's Foodland in Beal City, set up for insertion of 50-cent pieces and sheets of paper for membership listing. The Weidman Bank had over 50 names listed the first of the week.

GEORGE MILLER
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George has been making out income-tax forms for many local people for years, and his leadership in this class will be most welcome. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Miller.

A class in Spanish guitar playing will begin Monday, Jan. 26, at 7 p.m. under the direction of Doug Brant, guitar instructor for the Lyon Music Co., north of Remus. The class will be held at the Lyon store, and will run for 10 weeks. Cost will be \$10 per pupil. It is open to all those between six and 60 years of age. The class periods will be two hours.

A general meeting will be held in the library of the Remus School Tuesday, Jan. 27, at 7.30 p.m., for the planning of Bishop sewing classes. Mrs. Alma Dosenberry of Weidman and Mrs. Donna Cox of Remus have been in training at Ionia in Bishop I, basic sewing, and Bishop II, advanced. The Bishop method offers short-cuts in sewing. Classes will be offered in locations most suitable for the most interested women, under the direction of these two highly enthusiastic teachers.

A cake decorating class will begin early in February, with details to be announced. Other classes under consideration include gun safety, baton twirling for boys and girls, stone collect-

ing and polishing (lapidary), antiquing and antique recognition, judo for men and boys, and archery.

Ceramics and upholstery classes also are expected to be repeated.

The Community Basketball League will begin a tournament starting in the last week in January. About 20 teams will take part, with the winner of each division (men, women, boys, girls) receiving a team trophy. The public is invited to attend all of these games free of charge.

Jerry and Marge Horstman have been managing the teams at the Weidman school, evenings.

While high school completion classes have entered into the second semester, and many are looking forward to receiving diplomas, many other classes are offered the public, as described above.

Further information on any of the classes may be had by calling Mr. Behnke at 967-8800.

In the Editor's Mail

Dear Connie:

Have thought of you often. I though we'd get to see you, but the flu has been bugging us for too long.

My Dad doesn't feel too good yet, says he is so tired. He'll be 95 the 23rd of January, so we have to be careful of him.

Tom gets the mail sometimes, not too often, though. My girls have been real good to help us in every way, neighbors too.

I was just over to see Mary Cook. She lives next door. She is having trouble with her eyes, and had been to the doctor the last three days. She's lucky to have such a nice lady to take care of her.

Well, Connie, we all here know what you are going through. We have all been through it. It's hard. Nice you have your sister so close to you.

Bert Estes is having it hard. I write to him. They were good neighbors to us.

I am sending Maycie Cook a card. She too is having hard luck.

I sure hope you can keep well. We can always see people worse off than we are. That doesn't keep us from feeling lonesome, though.

We are hoping this year will be better than the last one, for all of us.

Bessie and Tom Latham
And Jesse Lee, Remus.

NEWS NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Kirvan of Flint spent the weekend with his mother, Mrs. Emily Wood. Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Dent were Sunday callers.

BOWLING

CONTINENTAL LEAGUE
Jan. 7, 1970

	W	L
Pabst Blue Ribbon	3	0
Marchiando & Rau	3	0
Lowery Northern	2	1
Weidman Bank	2	1
Central Concrete	2	1
Beal City Tavern	2	1
Wentworth IGA	1	2
Household Appl.	1	2
Beal City Service	1	2
Giant Super Mkt.	1	2
Coleman Furniture	0	3
Schlitz Beer	0	3

High Team Series: Marchiando & Rau 3103. High Team Game: Marchiando & Rau 1054.

High Indv. Series: John Firsch 604, Dick Haney 577, Mel Foster 566.

High Indv. Game: Glen Brown 255, Ken Green 225, Bill Robinson 224.

GUYS & DOLLS

Jan. 9, 1970

Ecker & Eldred	7	1
Bierschbach-Zill	6	2
Lyon & Sharrar	5.5	2.5
Moore & Long	3	
Bleise & Straus	4	4
McArthur-Anderson	4	4
Lawens-Pantenburg	4	4
Green-McConnell	3	5
Blehm & Moore	3	5
Thon & Blake	3	5
Nolte & Cook	2.5	5.5
Foster-Moore	2	6

High Team Series: Thon & Blake 2376. High Team Game: Thon & Blake 818.

High Series, Men: Perce Blake 601, Bob Bleise 567, Loren Eldred 541.

High Game, Men: Perce Blake 224-209, Bob Bleise 205, Loren Eldred 203.

High Series, Women: Carol Pantenburg 483, Mary Blake 466, Barb Thon 450, Barb Moore 450.

High Game, Women: Mary

Blake 189, Carol Pantenburg 179, Mickey Blehm 178.

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Men in Uniform

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leaves next Tuesday for Fort Worth, Texas, to put in his second year in the service.

Alan Wood returned home from Vietnam Dec. 27, and he and his family are living on Isabella Road, Mt. Pleasant.

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Obituary

JOSEPH KREMSREITER

Joseph Kreamsreiter of Nottawa died Friday, Jan. 9, at CMC Hospital. He was 93. He was born Nov. 11, 1876, in Germany and came to this country with his parents.

He and his family lived many years on their farm a mile and three-quarters east of Beal City.

Survivors include his wife, Mary; four sons, Donald, Alex and Bernard, all of St. Louis, and Richard of Mt. Pleasant; five daughters, Mrs. Ella Wilson of Mt. Pleasant, Mrs. Frieda Scott of Rosebush, Mrs. Cecelia Smith of Mecosta, and Mrs. Marie Hoffman and Mrs. Edna Nichols of St. Louis; and 39 grandchildren, 37 great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Monday morning, Jan. 12, at 11 o'clock in St. Joseph's Church in Beal City, with Rev. Father Neubecker officiating. Burial was in St. Joseph's Cemetery.

The family have the sympathy of all.

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