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Editor's Column

By Connie

THE QUEEN IS ON A HUNGER STRIKE

Our pet cat, Boots, otherwise known as the Queen (because she rules the roost at our house), has gone on a hunger strike, after all these months.

In August, when George Skinner was hospitalized, we had one package of frozen bluegills in the freezer, and we got that out and offered it to the Queen, after thawing, of course.

Now, the Queen is no ordinary cat. George Skinner went fishing every day, mainly to get bluegills, fresh from the lake, for the Queen. He'd scale them, clean them as for People Eating, and then the Queen would demand they be cut up into little cat-bites for her enjoyment.

If a basin of bluegills in water, cleaned and ready for Her Majesty, stood in the refrigerator more than 24 hours, they were not good enough. They had to be fresh-caught.

Well. During this winter we have gone through every brand and every flavor of canned cat-food, to no avail. The Queen still thinks she should have bluegills, fresh-caught each day.

We called Dr. Donaldson in Mt. Pleasant, and asked him what in the world to do: We had always gone on the theory that any pet animal, if hungry enough, would eat anything you might put down before it.

Not the Queen.

Dr. Donaldson said, "Have you tried tuna?"

So we ran down to Clark's and bought a can of tuna. Sure enough, the Queen would eat tuna.

Goody. So when we were grocery shopping Wednesday morning in Mt. Pleasant, we picked up three cans of cat-tuna and thereafter offered some to the Queen.

The Queen said, "What in heck yuh think you're offering me--cat-food?"

So we went back to People-Eating tuna.

When spring comes, we will toss a line in the lake back of our house, and get fresh fish for the Queen.

But we will not go ice fishing for her. For us, ice fishing is agony, and we will not do it.

Meantime, the Queen eats Peo-



THIS IS BAMBI, a wobbly six-months-old fawn that came to Andrew Little's home Feb. 1, 1969, obviously starving, and, as Andy said at the time, "so terribly thirsty". From the first, Bambi loved children, allowing little girls--but not little boys--to put their arms around him and give him childish hugs. From the first, he followed children around the barnyard at the Little home in Rosebush. The Little family fed the young deer hay and corn, gave him plenty of water, and he soon perked up.



THIS IS BAMBI TODAY--Now a yearling and more; in fact, a three-point buck. He still loves children--and everybody loves Bambi. He is very tame, and will come at the call of the Little family. He doesn't appear to mind the rope he wears around his neck. This year he has spent some time with a small herd of does nearby, but he always comes back to the Littles' home yard. The whole neighborhood is in love with Bambi, as well they might be; for he is a gentle, harmless and affectionate creature, and beautiful, besides. Photos loaned the Messenger by Andrew Little

ple Eating tuna and fresh beef liver, not cooked.

But we will not go ice fishing. The Queen will wait for spring.

Men in Uniform

Mr. and Mrs. Jay Denslow received word from their grandson, Randy Brownell, that he had been wounded and was in a hospital, and would not be going back in service. His time will be up March 2.

His address:

Sp/4 Randall L. Brownell, [redacted], B Troop, 1 Sqd., 1 Cav., San Francisco, Cal., APO 96374.

Here's a new address:

P.F.C. Curtiss Gene Battleslaw, [redacted], 580th Telephone Co., 44th Sig. Bn., APO San Francisco 96491.

Curtiss is the son of Mrs. Hazel Battleslaw. He has been in Viet Nam since Oct. 19. His two years in the service will be up next November.

Here's another address:

Pvt. Leland L. McIntyre, [redacted] K Co., 3rd R.T. Bn., R.T.R. Plt. 3001 M.C.R.D., San Diego, Calif. 92140.

Leland enlisted in the Marines Jan. 5, and is doing real well.

Sp/4 Thomas Flower, son of Mr. and Mrs. David Flower, is counting the days till April, when he will return from Germany and make the acquaintance of his son.

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TRAGEDY STRIKES AGAIN AT EDNA SCHULTZ' FAMILY

Mrs. Edna Schultz left Sunday afternoon with her son, Ike Hampton, for Benton Harbor, to stay overnight and then both flew to Atlanta, Ga., to attend the funeral of Mr. and Mrs. Randall Breedlove (Sally), son-in-law and daughter of Gladys (Hampton) Wiley, who also died tragically within the recent past.

The young Mr. and Mrs. Breedlove were driving to Miami to attend a convention of the Clark Oil Company, and their car was struck by a semi-trailer truck. Both were killed.

The young couple leave three little girls.

Edna Schultz's very many friends in this area will offer deepest sympathy, in this latest blow.

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Mr. and Mrs. Richard Parks of Shelby were Saturday and Sunday guests of her folks, Mr. and Mrs. Al Woodbury, and the Fey Johnson family.

S. W. Sherman

Goldie Dutcher, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Chaffee and Nancy and Mr. and Mrs. Gary Boyd (Anna Chaffee) spent one evening with Mr. and Mrs. Alan Marshall.

The Alan Marshalls and Dean Chaffees were visitors of the Clarence Chaffees while Anna and Gary were home.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Beutler and Mr. and Mrs. James Beutler attended the Boat Show at Cobo Hall in Detroit Saturday.

Rev. and Mrs. James Linton and children of Midland were Sunday supper and evening guests of the Howard Beutlers.

Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher had Sunday dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher, Jr., and Steve and Sandra. In the afternoon, Mrs. Goldie Dutcher and Ronna Jean and Sandra called on Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Leiter at Hannah Lake.

Mr. and Mrs. Gary Boyd of Curryville, Pa., spent from Thursday till Monday morning with her folks, the Clarence Chaffees.

Bob Tabor came early Sunday morning from Texas to get his wife and three children, who had spent the past two weeks with Catherine McDaniel while Bob was finding a house for them to live in.

Catherine McDaniel spent a couple of days in CMC Hospital this past week.

Lucile Merrihew and Marion Beutler attended WSCS Thursday afternoon at the church.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Chaffee called on the George Merrihews Wednesday. Aletha took Edna to Lakeview to see her doctor.

Mr. and Mrs. Gary Boyd and Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Chaffee were Sunday callers of the Geo. Merrihews.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Dutcher had Sunday dinner with the Clayton Dutchers. Percy Secord of rural Mt. Pleasant spent the past week with the Clayton Dutchers. Kaye Lyn Dutcher also spent the week with them.

Mrs. Clayton Dutcher and Kaye Lyn called on Mrs. Ervin Dutcher Saturday afternoon. They called on Mrs. Barbara Dutcher Friday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Dutcher and Gena of Clio, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Dutcher and Chris and Jon of rural Merrill, Mr. and Mrs. Garry Dutcher and children and Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Dutcher and Percy Secord all visited the Richard Dutchers Sunday afternoon and had birthday cake and ice cream, helping Richard celebrate another birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Dutcher and sons spent Saturday over night and Sunday with the Clayton Dutchers. Mr. and Mrs. Larry Dutcher and Gena of Clio were Sunday afternoon callers.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dutcher called Sunday on their way home from the Soo, where they and the Garry Dutchers spent Saturday at the 500 Race.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Gatehouse visited the Clarence Chaffees and Anna and Gary Boyd Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Gatehouse and Hazel Davis spent Thursday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Don Swan of Mt. Pleasant.

Mr. and Mrs. Ken Ballard and daughter of Midland spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Gatehouse and Hazel Davis.

The Richard Dutchers called on the Theodore Cases Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Chaffee and Mr. and Mrs. Gary Boyd called on the Harry Gatehouses and Duane Threns Sunday.

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N. Broomfield

BIRTHDAY PARTY FOR MAYCIE COOK

Her family enjoyed a birthday party for Maycie Cook at the Edmore Hospital last Wednesday. (Maycie also enjoyed it.)

The hospital furnished cake and ice cream, and Maycie had a good day, with many cards and gifts, from family and her very many friends.

Lenten services will be held each Thursday evening, beginning Feb. 12, at 8 p.m. at Zion Lutheran Church. Visitors welcome.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Lueder spent the weekend in Lansing with relatives.

Mrs. Jean Smith and Wally, Mrs. Bea Adams, Mrs. Robert Bollman and Mike and Mrs. Lucille Robinson of Mt. Pleasant called on Mrs. E. R. Rhode recently.

Clayton Crowley and three daughters and Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Erhart and two daughters of Newyogo visited Mrs. Nettie Crowley Sunday.

Mrs. Robert Hines and Herman Lueder are ill with the flu. Jack Cook and daughter also have it.

Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Bingham of Franklin were weekend guests of her brother, Roderick Nicholson. They and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Cook called on Mrs. Maycie Cook, who celebrated her birthday last Wednesday. Ice cream and cake were served. Mr. and Mrs. Paul Lueder also called on Mrs. Cook Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Gale Krueger and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Cook attended the dedication of a Lutheran church at St. Johns Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Lueder attended the Golden Anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Sellers in Lansing Sunday.

Mrs. Lovica Krueger of Mt. Pleasant was a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Lieder Sunday.

Mrs. E. R. Rhode and Harold

called on Mr. and Mrs. Joe Gostola Sunday. Their daughter, Mrs. Bonnie Loucks, and Kathy have returned to Mt. Pleasant while Pvt. Terry Loucks is sent overseas. Mrs. Loucks is a teacher in a Mt. Pleasant school.

Robert Fanning made a business trip to Iowa a few days.

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GILMORE TOPS CLUB CROWNS QUEEN FOR THE YEAR 1969

The Gilmore TOPS Club met at the home of Mrs. Judy Phillips to celebrate their first birthday anniversary. Members of the club furnished a delicious diet dinner.

Mrs. Lois Getchel was crowned Queen for the year 1969. She received a lovely TOPS necklace and crown. The leader, Mrs. Laura Cook, was honored with a Leader's Pin, and each officer was given a TOPS charm for her efforts during the past year.

An impressive candlelight service was held, with each member pledging to keep the pounds off or take them off during the coming year.

Our ideal of weight is a large

part of the secret to health and happiness in our lives. We wish to urge and challenge any member of the community who has a weight problem to join us, and together we can fight the battle of the bulge more effectively. We need you and you need us. Meetings are at 2.30 to 3.30 p.m. each Wednesday. Call 588-2237 or 588-4768 for more information.

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WEIDMAN LIONS CLUB

Don't forget the fish fry next week Friday, Feb. 13, at the Weidman School. Adults \$1.75, all you can eat. Everyone invited.

Harry Herman, Lions Reporter

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Card of Thanks

I wish to express my sincere thanks to the many friends who sent cards honoring my 85th birthday.

I also appreciate my family for giving me a wonderful day.
Mrs. Lavina Elias

BETTER THAN A LETTER

Card of Thanks

I wish to thank all my friends for the many cards and letters sent me while I was hospitalized and during my stay at home.

Especially thanks to my church, my fellow workers and the teachers at Chippewa Hills School;

To Rev. and Mrs. Smith for their many calls;

To all those who made my long convalescence a little brighter. It has all been greatly appreciated.

Dan Carrick.

Card of Thanks

I wish to thank all of my relatives, friends and neighbors, who sent the many cards, flowers, and gifts, and who made personal calls during my hospitalization at CMC Hospital for 10 days.

A special Thank You to Rev. Sayers, Rev. Smith and Rev. Livingston for their calls and prayers, and to the Rosebush Teachers for their many kind considerations.

The following verse helps me to express my deep appreciation:

And since I have no gold to give
And love alone must make amends,
My only prayer is--While I live,
God make me worthy of my friends.

Sincerely,
Margaret Denslow

BAPTIST MISSIONARY MEETING

The ladies of the Baptist Church Missionary Society will hold a meeting Monday, Feb. 16, at 7 p.m., at the parsonage.

A film strip shown at the Baptist Church Sunday evening was well received.

NEWS NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Beutler and Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Beutler attended a Republican Party dinner in Mt. Pleasant Tuesday evening.

Legal Notice

ISABELLA COUNTY PROBATE COURT

ESTATE OF GRACE V. FLOWER a/k/a/ GRACE V. SMITH, Deceased.

THE COURT ORDERS:

Petition of David A. Flower, praying his Final Account be allowed and residue of said Estate assigned to persons entitled there to will be heard April 1, 1970, at 9.30 A. M. at Probate Court. Publication in Weidman Messenger.

Court Rule Notice.

Dated February 9th, 1970

BURKE McCLINTIC
Judge of Probate

Attorney:

Stephen W. Fox
102 Hersee Bldg.
Mt. Pleasant, Michigan
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Obituary

ELIZABETH DATEMA

Elizabeth Datema, 55, of Diamond Lake, was killed in an auto accident south of Ionia Feb. 5. She was an occupant in a car driven by her husband, Paul, who was injured. He was in the Ionia Hospital.

Mrs. Datema is survived by her husband, Paul; one son, Steven, of Kalamazoo; two sisters, and two brothers.

Funeral services were held Monday at 11 a.m. at St. Michael's Catholic Church in Remus, with Rev. James Hoogterp officiating. Burial was in Flake Cemetery in Barryton.

Mrs. Datema was born Aug. 25, 1914. She had lived in Barryton the past two years.

Daggett's Funeral Home had charge of the funeral.

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Local Items

(Editor's Note: To our dismay, we found these local items on our drawing board after last week's paper was out. To those of you who wondered why your news wasn't printed last week, this is it. Apparently the old gal is getting old. Anyhow, we missed these last week.)

Mrs. Rose Gardner and Larry Gardner and wife and two children of Lansing spent Saturday with Mrs. Ina Gillett. Mr. and Mrs. John Ervin of Six Lakes were Sunday visitors. Blanche Carr was a caller. Clarence Johnson of Grand Rapids and his sister, Mrs. Ethel Lintenmuth, of Big Rapids were also callers.

Mr. and Mrs. Milo Handy of Harrison were Saturday dinner guests and spent the afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Louisell.

Merrill Fox of Mecosta visited his grandchildren, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Fox, and family, Sunday.

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 rehearsal.

Next Sunday is Fellowship Dinner, at the church. Pot-Luck dinner following the morning worship service. Come to worship, and bring table service and a dish to pass, and stay for dinner.

Next Sunday the church will have as its guest the Winn choir from the Winn Methodist Church, at the 11 a.m. service.

BROOMFIELD ZION LUTHERAN

Located six miles south of Weidman on Coldwater Road.

Rev. Edwin Schmelzer, Pastor.
Sunday School, 9.15 a.m.
Worship Service, 10.30 a.m.
Ladies' Aid meets on second Wednesday of each month.

WEIDMAN BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. Marvin Eldridge, Pastor
Sunday School, 10 a.m.
Morning Service, 11 a.m.
Choir practice (Sunday), 6.45 p.m.

Evening Service, 7.30 p.m.

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Sunday Services:
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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, Minister
Located six miles south of Farwell.

Morning Worship, 9.30 a.m.
Bible School, 10.30 a.m.
Youth Hour, 6 p.m.
Evening Worship, 7.30 p.m.
Visitors will find a Christian welcome at our services.

There will be only one worship service Sunday mornings until Easter. It begins at 9.30, with Bible School at 10.30. Watch for further announcements concerning this. There is still the usual Sunday evening worship service at 7.30.

All Youth programs will meet at the church building this Sunday evening at 6. Come and join us in the Christian fellowship for young people.

The teachers' training course is still being held Thursday evenings from 7.30 to 9.30.

HOME PAPER FOR THE WEST HALF OF ISABELLA COUNTY

Walker Creek News

Esther Stanley, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Rolland Zill of St. Charles, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Zill and family and Mr. and Mrs. David Tone of Saginaw were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Zill and sons.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Schrock visited his mother, Mrs. Nella Schrock, and Mr. and Mrs. Frank McNeal, Sunday afternoon.

Miss Linda Wilmot of Weidman spent Saturday with her cousin, Stacey Voss. Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Wilmot called Saturday afternoon on Mr. and Mrs. Charles Voss. Linda returned home with them.

Mrs. Lena St. John and Mrs. Clarence Conley were at the Lakeview Clinic Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Clark and Terri spent the weekend with his mother, Mrs. Bonnie Clark, in Lansing.

Mrs. Barry Conley and son visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Suman, of Weidman, Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Ward Loomis of Sherman City visited Mr. and Mrs. Otto Skalitzy Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Skalitzy visited Mr. and Mrs. Loomis Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Coon were recent supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Schrock and Philip. Mr. and Mrs. Russell (Pete) Wright of Brinton visited Mr. and Mrs. Schrock and Philip Saturday night. Arthur Schrock visited Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Leiter of Hannah Lake were Wednesday supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Warren Leiter and family, and brother Ira.

Mr. and Mrs. Leiter and family visited Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Loomis and family Sunday evening.

Mrs. Craig Thompson returned home Thursday from convalescing at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ercil Williams, of Barryton. She returned to her studies at CMU in Mt. Pleasant Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Burdette Reed and family visited Mr. and Mrs. Keith Thompson Sunday.

Roddy Thompson spent Sunday with his grandmother, Mrs. Leona Courser, and uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Courser, of Two Rivers. Mr. and Mrs. Thompson visited them Sunday evening, bringing Roddy home.

Mrs. Lyle Denslow has been ill the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Lou Gray and daughter, Mrs. Clarence Ley, were Tuesday supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Chester Henderson of Barryton. Mrs. Ley accompanied her brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Duane Gray, of Mt. Pleasant, and Mr. and Mrs. Andy

Stanley of Barryton to Big Rapids Tuesday evening, where they enjoyed a basketball game. Ferris State College played Michigan Tech, with Ferris State College winning. Michael Gray participated.

Mrs. Gray and Mrs. Ley were Mt. Pleasant shoppers Thursday. Mrs. Ivan Hines and daughters of south Weidman visited at the Gray home Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry De Voss and Maria and Regina of Conklin and Mr. and Mrs. Gary Portenga and family were Sunday dinner guests of their grandparents. Mrs. Ley returned to her home at Conklin, with Mr. and Mrs. De Voss, Sunday evening, after spending a week with her parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Dosenberry were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Dosenberry of Rodney.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Emmons were Clare shoppers Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Keith Loomis and Teresa and Jean Ann called on Mr. and Mrs. Warren Leiter and family Saturday afternoon. They visited Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Loomis and family Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Gorby of Lake Thirteen and Mr. and Mrs. Russell Stanley visited Mr. and Mrs. Edward Marshall Thursday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley went with Mr. and Mrs. Marshall to Farwell Saturday night, where they were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Arden Border.

Mrs. James Vinton and Lisa and Tim of Farwell and Mrs. Donald Stanley and Sheryl and Sheila visited Mrs. Stanley Saturday afternoon.

Sunday dinner guests at the Stanley home were Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Moore of St. Johns, and granddaughters, Debbie and Pam, of Lake Thirteen, and Mr. and Mrs. Donald Pung and family of Beal City. Mr. and Mrs. David Moore and David Dean, Jr., and Mr. and Mrs. Donald Stanley and family of Weidman visited Sunday afternoon.

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OES PLAN POT LUCK CHICKEN DINNER

Waubenoo Chapter OES met last Wednesday evening with Josephine Alkofer, Worthy Matron, presiding.

A pot-luck chicken dinner was planned for Feb. 22 at 1 p.m. at the Masonic Temple. All Masons and Eastern Stars and their families and friends are invited.

A Washington dinner has been traditional in the lodge for many years.

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NEWS NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Beutler were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Johnston and family of Rosebush. Other guests were Mr. and Mrs. Robert Tibbetts and children of East Lansing.



MR. AND MRS. ERNEST KLUMPP--Observed their 54th wedding anniversary recently, with a surprise dinner in their honor. The occasion also celebrated Mr. Klumpp's birthday Feb. 2. Present were Mr. and Mrs. Orville Klumpp, Kenneth Klumpp, Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Klumpp and family, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Klumpp and family, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Klumpp and family, Mr. and Mrs. Warren Elliott, Mrs. Joe Loomis and son, Jackie Skudler, Herman and Aliance Cook, and Mrs. Klumpp's mother, Mrs. Clayton Johnson. Thirty-two relatives and friends enjoyed the afternoon and evening.

NEWS NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Carrick were dinner guests of Mrs. Kathleen Carrick at Vanderbilt, Sunday. Mrs. Ethyl Wager returned home with them.

Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Embrey and children were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charles J. Clark of Shepherd. About 25 members of the Clark family were present.

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Dora Smith, Reporter

BIRTHDAY PARTY FOR LAVINA ELIAS

Sunday, Feb. 8, the children and grandchildren of Mrs. Lavina Elias met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Simmer, to celebrate her 85th birthday.

Present were the Simmer family, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Elias and family of Beal City, Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Elias and family of Okemos, and Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Tilmann and family of Mt. Pleasant.

Absent were Stanley Simmer, in Thailand, and Douglas Elias, in Vietnam.

All enjoyed a bountiful pot-luck dinner and a beautiful birthday cake, and all were glad to see the honored guest much improved.

Mrs. Elias was very happy to have her friends and family with her on her birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Kavanaugh spent the weekend in Detroit.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Schafer are the proud parents of a baby girl, born Friday, Feb. 6. She will answer to the name of Shirley Ann.

The 4-H Girls of our school spent the weekend in Traverse City.

Mr. and Mrs. Milo Eldred of Blanchard and Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Schafer of Winn spent Thursday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Tony Schafer.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Smith called on Mrs. Matie Pung Saturday.

Mrs. Orrin First of Rosebush and Mrs. Walter Rau called on Mrs. Louise Smith Friday. Dolores Rau called Thursday afternoon.

Mrs. Paul Smith and daughter, Julie Ann, and Jaylin Smith spent Saturday afternoon with their grandmother, Mrs. Louise Smith.

Irene Zeien was admitted to

CMC Hospital Feb. 7. Joe Tilmann also was admitted the same day.

Arthur Thering was admitted Feb. 8.

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Coldwater Lake

Marjorie Schafer, Reporter

Hi:

Well, another week has gone by, and it's time for news again.

Got a call from Scott Frear this week, and he said his wife, Daphne, had spent a couple of days in the hospital.

The Peter Lorenz family received word Sunday that Pete's nephew, Jack Perrin, of Saginaw, had passed away. Jack was a barber there. They were also told that Jack's mother, Amy Perrin, also of Saginaw, had fallen and broken some bones. They found her lying on the floor when they stopped to check on her. She was admitted to a hospital there.

Loretta Lorenz said she had a real nice visit with Ellen Lynch of Rosebush and Madeline Pasch and daughter, Elaine Fox, of Irishtown, when they stopped in one day last week.

Other guests at the Lorenz home Sunday were Max and Vera Straus, Lou Theisen and children, Ron Lorenz and family, and Lois Ritter.

Bob Kolarik, who was home on leave for a week, called at the Lorenz home also.

The flu bug is still around. Loretta Lorenz and Kate Martin still aren't feeling too good. Joe Welch missed work last week because of it. Ed Schafer had his back out of place, and could hardly get around.

Dorothy Tilmann called on me one morning last week, and we had a nice visit.

We have a new niece, born Friday afternoon to Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Schafer. Congratulations. That makes them five sons and two daughters.

Our son, Don, and his family and son, Jerry, and his cousin,

Rick Klumpp, spent the weekend with our daughter, Ruth Ann, and family at Traverse City.

We went to the Jamboree at Farwell Sunday. We saw the Leo Schafers, the Dale Andersons of Beal City, there, and also the Don Pelletiers. Mrs. Pelletier was formerly of Beal City. We also saw some old neighbors from Coldwater Lake, the Harry Haags, now of Saginaw.

A car going too fast around the curve near Coldwater Lake Inn hit the carport and cars at the Frank Doerr home, doing considerable damage. Ernie Garrett helped Frank take the roof up off his cars.

Well, guess that's it for this week.

Marge Schafer.

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North Weidman

Elvah Gott, Reporter

BIRTHDAY PARTY

Lori England, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rick England, celebrated her fifth birthday Saturday, at her home.

Seven little friends and relatives helped Lori observe her birthday, with games, prizes, and ice cream and cake.

Grandma England of Marion made a heart-shaped cake for the party.

Little Lori received lovely gifts.

Mrs. Carolyn (Abbott) Jewel underwent back surgery at the Midland hospital last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Blodgett called on Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Helmer Sunday, in Barryton.

Mrs. Harley Latham of Mt. Pleasant and Mrs. Minnie Flaugh called on Mrs. Laura Latham Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Bert Chaffee of Grand Rapids called Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Abbott, Peggie and Connie Wernette and Lee Ann Abbott called on Mrs. Laura Pifer and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Tower, Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Muriel Miller and family, Mrs. Lois Knollenberg and family of Mt. Pleasant and Mr. and Mrs. Don Abbott enjoyed a birthday dinner and cake with all the trimmings at the Micky Abbott home Sunday, for Robert Abbott's fifth birthday.

Albert Gott called on his parents Sunday, and took them and Cathy Alwood to his place for a lovely dinner after church. Mrs. Flossie Allen was also present.

Callers at the Ed Olger home last week were Lewis Bowen, Johnny Wood, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Theisen of Mt. Pleasant, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Williams and children of Farwell. Monday Mr. and Mrs. John Gott and Helen Alwood called to see their new neighbors, and enjoyed coffee and cookies with them. Mrs. Gertrude Wood took her mother, Mrs. Olger, to see her doctor in Remus one day last week.

George Beers and Roy Phillips are finishing the Olgers' new garage this week.



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Jessie Rosencrantz, Reporter

Mrs. Nina Green and son, Terry, were Sunday dinner guests of her mother, Mrs. Eva Denslow.

Bob Bergquist was a Tuesday dinner guest of his grandmother, Mrs. Flora Wood. Wednesday supper guests were Mr. and Mrs. Alan Wood and Peter. Sunday dinner guests were Mr. and Mrs. Vance Wood, Dianne, Jeannie, Mary Ellen, Gale, and Dean, and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Bergquist.

Mr. and Mrs. Benn Johnson spent Saturday evening at the Don Starr home in Weidman. Mrs. Johnson and children called on her uncle and aunt, the Clarence Lutzes. Bill Lutz of Flint was also a guest. They enjoyed tobogganing.

George Miller spent the weekend with his parents, the Elwood Millers. Mr. and Mrs. Dick Touchinski, along with George, were Sunday dinner guests. Mr. and Mrs. Steve Opperman of Mt. Pleasant and Mr. and Mrs. Miles Miller were Sunday evening guests. Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Sprague were afternoon callers.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Thompson spent Friday in Lansing. Mr. and Mrs. Thompson and boys and Jack Thompson were Sunday guests of the Chuck Wilson family in Grand Rapids. A belated birthday dinner was served, honoring Bob on his 16th birthday. Bob attended an MYF meeting of the Remus group at Lakeview Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Murville Misner and two daughters of Grand Rapids brought Chari Lynn

Brownell to the home of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Jay Denslow, and all were Sunday dinner guests. Mr. and Mrs. Burdette Denslow were Sunday evening callers. Mrs. Eula Dunn came home Sunday from the hospital.

Leo Bahr and the Merlin Bahr family of Copemish were weekend guests of the Joe Martin family. Mr. and Mrs. Terry Martin were Sunday guests.

Mrs. Dianne Martin attended the Purtil-Gillespie wedding reception Friday evening.

Mrs. Evelyn Roberts and children and Mrs. Geraldine Johnson and children were Sunday guests of their parents, the Gerald Dents. Mrs. Linda Krueger and children were Saturday supper guests. Mr. and Mrs. Harry Dent and baby were Sunday overnight guests. Mr. and Mrs. Dent called on her mother, Mrs. Emily Wood, Thursday.

Mrs. Margaret Denslow is recuperating at home this week after 10 days in the hospital, for tests, observation and surgery. She expects to return to her teaching job Feb. 16.

Two Rivers

Blanche Carr, Reporter

Mrs. Eldon Marshall, Mrs. Emerson Cox and Mrs. Ernest Courser attended Open House for Mr. and Mrs. Rollie Campbell on their 25th wedding anniversary.

Mrs. Eva Denslow was a Friday luncheon guest of Blanche Carr. They called on Mrs. Emily Wood and Mrs. Ethel Bywater in the afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Dalton Carr of Saginaw were Sunday supper guests.

Blanche Carr and granddaughter, Pamela Simmer, visited Mr. and Mrs. Norman Carr of Shepherd Saturday, and got acquainted with the new baby.

Mr. and Mrs. William Sweet of

Mt. Pleasant were Sunday dinner guests of Mrs. Florence Harvey.

Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Aungst attended a Silver Wedding Open House for Mr. and Mrs. Rollie Campbell of rural Winn.

Mr. and Mrs. John Bunting and Chuck and Tim were Thursday supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Oral Bunting. Mr. and Mrs. Olen Bunting and Stacey of Belding were Saturday guests.

The Oral Buntings were Sunday evening visitors at the home of their son, Miles.

Mrs. Ray Flaughner visited her sister, Laura Latham, Sunday. Laura was just discharged from the Clare hospital. The Russell Flaughers of Midland were Satur-

day dinner guests at his folks' home, and the Ron Flaughers were Thursday evening visitors. Ray and Minnie were at Richard's Friday night.

Miss Helen Saunders called on Mrs. Herb Hochrein Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. John Schupbach and Connie of Mt. Pleasant were Sunday afternoon visitors of Mrs. Herman Martin.

Mrs. Nancy Starks and Mrs. Helen Adams were Saturday callers of Mrs. Richard Sprague.

Mrs. Ted Smith had surgery last Friday morning for calcium buildup in her shoulder. She was reported the first of the week as getting along well.

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Lena Cole, Reporter

Mrs. Lane Chapman and baby came home from CMC Hospital last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Cole called on Mr. and Mrs. Lester Swan last Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Wixson have their daughter home from CMC Hospital. Grandma Beulah Wixson returned to her home after caring for the little boys.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Wardwell visited his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Cole, Thursday evening.

Mrs. Cole received word that her nephew, Marion Hall, of Chesaning, has to have heart surgery.

Mrs. Pearl Geasler has been having the flu.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Geasler were dinner guests Sunday of their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Worth, and family.

Miss Pam Worth is baby-sitting for Mr. and Mrs. George Clark.

Miss Lois Cornell and friend, LeRoy Vandevely, of Gladwin, were Sunday dinner guests of her sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Geasler.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Cole of Detroit spent the weekend at their farm. They reported their father, George, remains about the same.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Cole and Velma went with Mr. and Mrs. Dan Kripa Friday evening to Mishawaka, Ind., where they attended a bootie and bows shower for Mrs. Connie Jo Balint. The shower was held at the home of her sister, Mrs. Joe Ganser. They all admired the beautiful cradle Mr. Ganser made for the new baby.

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Local Items

(Okay, folks, here's the rest of those items we lost last week.)

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Pitts took their daughter, Mona, back to Lansing, to her studies at Great Lakes Bible College, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Sprague and girls called on Mr. and Mrs. Carl Nass of Ashley Saturday. They also called on Mr. and Mrs. Junior Bakos that day. They spent Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. Leon Snyder of Ithaca, and had Sunday dinner with Mr. and Mrs. James Sutton of Ashley.

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In the Editor's Mail

Dear Connie:

Please renew our subscription to the Weidman Messenger for one year.

We enjoy your paper very much.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Fahnestock
Detroit

Brinton News

Frances Beck, Reporter

Ray and Joyce Geasler were Tuesday evening dinner guests of her sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Chet Henderson, of Barryton.

Ray Bowen underwent back surgery in a Grand Rapids hospital last Tuesday. Mrs. Bowen has been in Grand Rapids during the week. Kim Bowen stayed with Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Navarre during her mother's absence.

Nora Geasler and Frances Beck were in Clare Monday.

Fern Verette and Echo Godwin were shopping in Big Rapids last Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Fosburg and boys spent Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Mitch Geasler and family in Lansing.

Connie Bowen and Mrs. Tim Little were in Big Rapids Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Hyder and boys were weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Gale Cummings near Barryton. Bonnie called on her mother, Nora Geasler, Sunday.

Mrs. Whaley left her home Saturday to spend the remainder of the winter with her daughter, Mrs. Margaret Sisco, and family. Leonard Durkee of near Beaver-ton called on her Saturday.

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Local Items

Dan Carrick has returned to his work at the Weidman School, after a four months' absence.

Mrs. Hermione Smith had Sunday dinner with the Don Smith family.

Mrs. Joyce McClain resumed her teaching duties at Mecosta this week, after being off several weeks, following surgery.

Mr. and Mrs. Ty Strong and baby of Vermontville, Mich., called on their cousin, Mrs. Ethel Bywater, Wednesday evening of last week. Friday afternoon callers were Eva Denslow and Blanche Carr.

Mr. and Mrs. James Noe were in Perry, Mich., Monday afternoon. Mrs. Noe's mother was buried there recently.

Mr. and Mrs. R.D. Sprague were Sunday callers of Mr. and Mrs. Jib Hall of Barryton. They called on the Elwood Millers in the afternoon.

Callers of Mrs. Emily Wood through last week were Eva Denslow and Blanche Carr, Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Dent, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Kirvan, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Dent and son, and Mrs. Elmer Keiser and daughter, Carline, of Mt. Pleasant; Mr. and Mrs. Roy Wood and Mrs. Irene Rybkowski and grandson of Bay City, Evelyn Roberts and daughter of Lansing, and Geraline Johnson and children of Mt. Pleasant.

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HOME PAPER FOR THE WEST
HALF OF ISABELLA COUNTY



SILVER ANNIVERSARY--Mr. and Mrs. Rollie Campbell celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary Sunday, Feb. 8, with Open House at the Union Township Hall. The event was hosted by their children, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Campbell of Bay City, Mr. and Mrs. Duane Blodgett of Mt. Pleasant, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Thayer of Shields, Mr. and Mrs. Roger Stowell of Midland, and Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Gray of Augusta, Ga.



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High Indv. Game: Tom Wendt 222, 221, Don McDonald 221, Dale Lawens 210.

GUYS & DOLLS

Feb. 6, 1970

Ecker-Eldred	18	6
McArthur-Anderson	17	7
Lawens-Pantenburg	13	11
Lyon-Sharrar	12.5	11.5
Thon-Blake	12	12
Bleise-Straus	12	12
Green-McConnell	12	12
Bierschbach-Zill	11	13
Foster-Moore	10	14
Nolte-Cook	9.5	14.5
Moore-Long	9	15
Blehm-Moore	8	16

Splits converted: Joyce Straus 5-10, Sue Ecker 4-5-7.

High Team Series: McArthur & Anderson 2485, High Team Game: Thon & Blake 908.

High Indv. Series, Men: Art Periard (sub) 612, Dale Lawens 581, Bob Anderson 580.

High Indv. Game, Men: Jack Cook (sub) 248, Art Periard (sub) 245, Bob Anderson 230.

High Indv. Series, Women: Gertrude Nolte 516, Mary Blake 512, Barb Moore 506.

High Indv. Game, Women: Shirley Foster 193, Gertrude Nolte 190, Jean McArthur 186.

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Fred Straus had an accident while coming home from work Saturday afternoon. He suffered a cracked rib and a cut knee, but was not hospitalized.

COMMUNITY BASKETBALL LEAGUE PLAY OFF TO SHAKY START, SAYS MIKE BEHNKE

According to Mike Behnke, the Community Basketball League is off to a rather shaky start, due to school closings, illnesses, and scheduling problems.

However, some teams already have tested their opponents and come off the floor with victories.

Standings to date are not necessarily indicative of final outcomes.

For the boys, it appears that the team to beat will be Weidman. Mecosta has given them a good game, coming close, but not as yet toppling them.

The Remus boys were denied their last two games because of weather conditions.

The Remus women have just one goal at the moment: to beat the Weidman women, who have beaten them twice. In the last game, however, Remus was defeated by a single point. Their next game was at Weidman Feb. 11, Wednesday night, after the Messenger was in the mails.

The Barryton women have not seen action yet, due to three postponements.

The Weidman boys have the overall best record, with a 3-0 tally. This team is blessed with considerable talent in such persons as Mike Adams, Denton Lofgren and Dan Leiter, among others.

The Barryton girls have not seen action yet, due to three postponements. Remus and Weidman girls have fared little better, each having played one game, and that one together.

Partial standing to date:

Men: Mecosta, 2-1; Barryton, 1-0; Remus (2) 1-0; Remus (1) 0-1; Weidman, 0-2.

Women: Weidman, 2-0; Remus, 0-2.

Boys: Weidman, 3-0; Barryton (B) 1-0; Mecosta, 2-2; Remus, 0-1; Barryton (C) 0-3.

Girls: Remus 1-0; Weidman, 0-1; Barryton, 0-0.

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Mr. and Mrs. "Slim" Emmons of rural Mt. Pleasant were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Gene McArthur and family.

BASKETBALL SCORES IN COMMUNITY LEAGUE

Basketball scores in the Weidman Community League, as of Tuesday morning, are as follows:

In games played Monday evening, the Weidman boys played the Barryton B team, with Weidman winning, 102-37.

The Barryton girls played at Weidman, winning their game in the last 10 seconds, 40-39.

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TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

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Feb. 18, Weidman girls vs. Remus, there, 6.30.

Feb. 19, Weidman men vs. Remus, here, 7.30.

Feb. 24, Weidman girls vs. Barryton, here, 7.00.

Feb. 25, Weidman women vs. Remus, here, 7.30.

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Bank Merger Approved

The merger of the Isabella County State Bank and the Weidman State Bank was approved last week by the Michigan Financial Institutions Bureau.

The merger is now subject to approval by the Federal Reserve Board. Boards of directors of both banks approved the merger at their January meetings.

HOME PAPER FOR THE WEST HALF OF ISABELLA COUNTY

SENIOR CITIZENS PLAY 13 1/2 TABLES OF PEPPER

Thirteen and a half tables of pepper were in play at last Thursday afternoon's Senior Citizens card party at Beal City.

Gertrude Gross won first prize for the ladies, with Ruby Douglas second. Ed Schumacher won first prize for the men, with Joe Tilmann second.

The door prize was won by Philomena Tilmann, with pepper prize going to Otto Skalitzyk.

On the serving committee were Leora Schumacher, Marguerite Lawens, Beulah Riley, Marie Block, and Joe Tilmann.

The next card party will be Thursday afternoon, Feb. 19, from 2 to 4, in the church basement, where the card parties are being held during the winter months.

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LOCAL STUDENT NAMED TO DEAN'S LIST

A Weidman student was among eight of Mid Michigan Community College student practical nurses on the "69-70" Dean's List of the School of Practical Nursing.

Donna Kennedy, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Kennedy, a Freshman in the practical nursing program, ranked first.

Donna was one of 29 students to receive their caps Sunday, Feb. 8, during the capping ceremony from 3 to 5 p. m.

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