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In the Editor's Mail

(Editor's Note: This letter came to us Tuesday morning; and because we consider it of utmost importance, we are presenting it to you this week.

(The Messenger has been cut off from communication with the Chippewa Hills Schools after the Messenger has at times criticized some actions by the Board of Education, and also we have criticized some actions by Supt. James P. Jorgensen, Paul to his inner circle.

(Words inserted in parenthesis in the following Letter to the Editor are ours, in an effort to maintain clarity and keep the reader at the right meeting. Otherwise, the letter is unchanged.

(We hope there will be some interested parents and taxpayers who will heed the warnings and advice in the following letter.)

Dear Connie,

I'm writing this letter to ask that you please don't call me for information about what takes place at the Chippewa Hills School Board meetings.

Mr. Jorgensen has accused me of giving you information that should not be divulged (to the public). For instance, I should not have told you the names of the three Board members who voted against renewing his contract, or even what the vote was.

He also accused me of giving the impression of representing the School Board when I was, in fact, only representing myself.

He was referring specifically to the hearing concerning the request from the Chippewa Hills Industrial Development Corporation that the 40-acre plot of land owned by Chippewa Hills High School be re-zoned.

I attended that (zoning) meeting on my own initiative and stated that, although I was a Board member, was acting on my own behalf.

Mr. Jorgensen admitted that he had sent our School Board president and another Board member

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BOYSVILLE CHAIRMAN OF COUNCIL NO. 3651, Knights of Columbus, Elmer Rhode, presents a check to Past State Deputy (now State Boysville Chairman) Walter Graveline for \$300 more than the quota for his Council. Looking on are Grand Knight John Bunting, State Secretary Earl E. Smith, and District Deputy Cecil Clare, also a member of Council No. 3651.

The check was presented at a regular meeting at Beal City. It made the Beal City Council 48% over quota for Boysville, and before the meeting was adjourned, they had enough money to make it 50% over quota.

This is the third year in a row the Beal City Council has gone over its quota, under leadership of Elmer Rhode.

Boysville is a school in south-central Michigan, for boys who need help emotionally and educationally. The school puts the boys through a high school education, then attempts to place them in jobs or send them to college. Ninety-eight percent turn out good boys, it was stated here this week. Boysville is totally supported by the Knights of Columbus of Michigan, and it is patterned after Father Flanagan's Boys' Towns in Nebraska. The boys graduate from regular public high schools, with no mention of their having been residents of a rehabilitation center.

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Eugene Taylor of Bentley spent last Monday and Tuesday with his sister, Mrs. Leila Shook. Mrs. Shook spent Wednesday and Thursday last week with her sister, Gladys Gillespie, in Bay City and attended the Ice Capades in Saginaw.

KEVIN ADAMS SUFFERS NECK INJURY IN ACCIDENT

Kevin Adams, a star member of the Chippewa Hills High School wrestling and football teams, was undergoing x-rays Tuesday morning after suffering neck and back injuries in an auto accident Monday afternoon about 5.20.

Kim VanderSys was driver of the car, going west on the Drew Road. The car hit a patch of ice and went off the road and rolled over. Kim VanderSys was not injured, according to reports from the Isabella County Sheriff's Department.

Kevin suffered a neck injury in wrestling several weeks ago, his mother, Helen Adams, told the Messenger Tuesday morning, and doctors at CMC Hospital could not tell till further x-ray readings whether or not he suffered a broken neck.

Kim VanderSys also is a high-ranking member of both athletic teams.

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Mr. and Mrs. Bob Curtiss took the Stillwater Band from Beal City to Paris, Mich., Saturday evening to play for a fraternity party from Ferris State College. The combo booked up some future dates, as they were well liked.

Men In Uniform

Here's a new address:

Randall J. Pohl, SR, [REDACTED] Co. 050, Billet No. 12, Naval Training Center, San Diego, Calif. 92133.

Randall is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Pohl. He enlisted in the Navy about a month ago.

Dean Chaffee and wife and baby went to Fort Carson, Colo., where they are trying to find living quarters so Jane and the baby can be with him.

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WEIDMAN LIONS CLUB PLANS ANNUAL FISH FRY

Members of the Weidman Lions Club are planning their annual fish fry, to be held in the cafeteria of the Weidman School on Friday, March 10, with serving from 5 to 7.30 p. m.

The Weidman Lions always draw good crowds at their fish fries, and always make out very well financially.

Monies cleared are used to carry on the usual activities of the Lions Club: Its international affiliation, glasses and other help for the near-blind or needy, lead dogs for the blind, and its very important local civic endeavors.

The Lions Club has contributed significantly to development of the pavilion at Mitchell Memorial Park, among other local activities.

The club here has 21 members.

Benn Johnson is president of the local club, Don Stanley secretary, Richard Donley treasurer, and Jim Clark Tail Twister.

Among their many projects, the Lions contribute to maintenance of the Welcome Home, a home in Grand Rapids for aged people.

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BILL BARZ AGAIN EARNS ALL AMERICAN WITH INSURANCE GROUP

Bill Barz of Beal City, Farm Bureau Insurance Group representative, has earned the firm's top sales designation of All American and will be awarded an all-expense-paid trip to Las Vegas. Bill and his wife, Aynne, will leave March 5.

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Mr. and Mrs. Ed Fox and son, Bob, went to Detroit Sunday to attend the Camper and Trailer Show.

Walker Creek News

Esther Stanley, Reporter

We extend sympathy to the Keith Loomis family in the loss of their son and brother.

Mr. and Mrs. Lou Gray and Mr. and Mrs. Ward Loomis went to Mt. Pleasant last Tuesday. Ward entered CMC Hospital for surgery Wednesday morning. He was getting along real well since coming home.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Denslow were Sunday dinner guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Denslow.

Mr. and Mrs. Micky Dargitz and family of rural Remus were supper guests of the Lyle Denslows Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Monroe and Blane visited Mr. and Mrs. Tracy Bywater Monday. They paid respects to Dennis Loomis at the Daggett Funeral Home in Barryton last Tuesday afternoon. Blane was a Wednesday overnight guest of Gary Parker, at the Lee Parker home in Weidman.

Mr. and Mrs. Monroe visited their doctor in Mt. Pleasant last Thursday.

Rev. Edlridge called at the Clyde Emmons home Sunday morning and took Eddie John to Sunday School, which he enjoyed very much.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Monroe visited at the Emmons home Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Skalitzky and Mr. and Mrs. Otis Conley and Mr. and Mrs. Keith Thompson were Saturday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Denslow.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Cornell and Dennis and Tina were Sunday dinner guests of the Denslows. Mr. and Mrs. Willis Finney and sons visited Monday afternoon.

Mrs. Keith Thompson and Roddy called on Mr. and Mrs. Craig Thompson and Jon Barry at Roger Heights, Big Rapids, Saturday. Later they all went to Grand Rapids.

Mrs. Gilbert Schrock has been very ill with strep throat during the week. She visited her doctor in Mt. Pleasant Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Schrock visited them during the week, and also Sunday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Owens of Lake were also Sunday evening visitors.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Voss and Stacey have all been ill with flu the past week. Steven Voss, Jr., spent Tuesday evening with them while his parents went to the Daggett Funeral Home to pay respects to Dennis Loomis.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Leiter visited her brother, Arthur Loomis, Saturday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Greg Leiter and Melissa visited at the Leiter home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Dillenbeck visited Mr. and Mrs. Howard Haskins of Barryton Monday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Dent visited at the Dillenbeck home

Tuesday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Louisell, Jr., and Patrick and Jill of Grand Haven spent the weekend with her folks.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Skalitzky attended the 20th anniversary party for Mr. and Mrs. Ronald McKersie at the Methodist Church in Barryton Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Dosenberry and Blane and Janie were Sunday visitors of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Dosenberry.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Stanley were Friday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Andy Stanley of Barryton. The occasion honored Andy's birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Williams came in the afternoon to honor the occasion, and we all had a nice visit with them. They are Mrs. Andy Stanley's parents.

We were glad to hear that Andy received several trophies and awards at the DHIA Awards Banquet last Wednesday at the Barryton Rod and Gun Club. Andy received an award for highest herd increase, and a trophy for high herd milk. He also received for high cow DHIA last year, a certificate for five-year average of over 500 pounds of butterfat. He also received a certificate last year for having a herd of over 600 pounds of butterfat. Martin Appelgreen received a certificate for having a herd producing over 600 pounds of butterfat, ranking eighth in the state on this count. Mr. Appelgreen received other trophies and awards also for his herd. There are 61 Michigan dairy herds with over 600 pounds of butterfat, and Mecosta County has four of them.

Others receiving trophies and awards included Joe and Leona Chapin and Roy and Janet Thompson and Kent Boyd. The Awards were presented through the DHIA.

We were pleased to see pictures of the winners in the Big Rapids Pioneer, a daily paper.

The awards were presented Feb. 16.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley visited Mr. and Mrs. Donald Stanley in Weidman Friday evening, and later visited at the Edward Marshall home.

They were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. David Moore and family of Lake Thirteen. The occasion honored David's birthday March 2. Happy Birthday, David!

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Pung and family braved the Sunday snowstorm and visited us Sunday evening.

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NEWS NOTES

Rev. Carl Allen, pastor of the Nazarene Church in Midland, will show pictures of the British Honduras Thursday evening at the Church of the Nazarene at Horr. Rev. Allen took the pictures himself, when he made a trip there last summer.

In the Editor's Mail

Weidman Messenger
Editor Constance Skinner:

I am an old-timer, was born northwest of Weidman. We moved from there years ago, down on the Nottawa-Isabella Township line, straight east of Weidman.

My sister-in-law sent me a bunch of Weidman Messenger papers.

I noted the one dated May 6,

1971, with a picture of the school. I am the one in the back, my last year.

Am also enclosing check for paper. Also here is a picture I have, taken in 1908.

Max Love
12930 Kercheval, Apt. B4,
Detroit, Mich. 48215.

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(Editor's Note: We shall use the picture among others in our up-coming History of Weidman. Thanks, Max Love.)

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 Jan. 20tf

NOTICE--The McArthur Insurance Agency will be closed Saturdays as follows: Feb. 19, Feb. 26, and March 4. Office will be open weekdays.
 Feb. 10t2

FOR SALE--Caterpillar D4 Crawler, located on east side Weidman Pond, \$3500.00. Call 1-313-LI3-6038.
 Feb. 17t2p

TO GIVE AWAY--To good home: One-half Collie, one-half shepherd dog puppies, six weeks old. Very cute and fat. Inquire Donald Cotter, R1, Denver Road, Weidman.
 Feb. 24t2

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Notice

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN: To all persons liable to assessment for taxes in the Township of Nottawa, County of Isabella, State of Michigan:
 The Board of Review of Nottawa Township will meet Monday, March 13, and Tuesday, March 14, at the Nottawa Township Hall, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. for the purpose of reviewing township assessment rolls.
 ERNEST SCHMIDT
 Supervisor
 Nottawa Township
 Mar2t2

Notice

BOARD OF REVIEW--Of Coldwater Township meets March 13, 14 and 15 to hear any and all complaints on land assessments by land owners on 1972 assessments.
 Lewis Bowen, Supervisor
 Coldwater Township
 Feb. 24t2

ANNOUNCING--Wickes Homes of the Seventies. New in this area--Modular Housing by Wickes. We have several interior and exterior plans as well as 2 story, tri-level and bi-level, ranch and L-shaped plans to choose from. Call or come in to Pitts Realty, Weidman, Bernard Pitts, Realtor, phone 644-3465, or Paul (Dick) Crane, branch office at Littlefield Lake end of Stevenson Lake Road. Open House at Littlefield Lake every Friday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturday 10 a.m. to 12 noon, by appointment.
 Feb. 24tf

Legal Notice

STATE OF MICHIGAN
 THE PROBATE COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF ISABELLA.
 In the Matter of DENNIS RONALD PELCHER, Change of Name.
 At a session of said Court, held on the 16th day of February, A. D. 1972.
 Present, Hon. Burke McClintic, Judge of Probate.
 Dennis Ronald Pelcher having filed in said Court his petition praying that an order be made changing his name to Dennis Ronald Christy,
 It is ordered that the 4th day of April, 1972, at 9.30 o'clock in the forenoon, at said Probate Office, be and is hereby appointed for hearing said petition;
 It is Further Ordered, that public notice thereof be given by publication of a copy of this order, once in each week for three weeks consecutively, previous to said day of hearing, in the Weidman Messenger, a newspaper printed and circulated in said county.
 BURKE McCLINTIC
 Judge of Probate
 Feb. 24, March 2& 9

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 Mar2tf

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Around Horr

Jessie Rosencrantz, Reporter
 Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Miller called on his mother, Mrs. Ethel McLean, at Big Rapids Tuesday. Recent callers at the Wilbur Wright home were Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Dent, Mr. and Mrs. Max Aldrich, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Miller and son of Clarkston, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bains and their daughter and husband, and the Elwood Millers. Mrs. Katie Smith was a Sunday dinner guest. Bob Kirvan ploughed their driveway Sunday evening.
 Mr. and Mrs. Al Cochran and Micky were Sunday dinner guests at the Gerald Losey home.
 Mr. and Mrs. Joe Martin were Monday supper guests at the Lloyd Carroll home in Mt. Pleasant.
 Mrs. Nettie Lawrence called on her sister and husband, the Myrl Scotts, Friday. Mr. and Mrs. Garth Lawrence and Pam were Sunday dinner guests of his mother.
 Roddy Thompson was a Sunday

dinner guest at the Earl Oplinger home.

Mr. and Mrs. Theron Merrihew were Sunday evening callers at the Charlie Losey home.
 Mrs. Eva Denslow and Mr. and Mrs. Russell Swan and Kevin went to Mrs. Nina Green's in Grand Rapids Sunday, and they all enjoyed dinner out.
 Mrs. Opal Starks was a Tuesday afternoon caller of Mrs. Flora Wood. Ellen and Carl Geasler were Wednesday afternoon callers. Mrs. Howard Homister and her sister were Sunday afternoon callers. Mr. and Mrs. Marsden Antcliff were evening callers, as was also Diane Wood and Greg Kirby.

Mrs. Dorothea Bergquist and Mrs. Elaine Wood were co-hostesses at a pink and blue shower honoring Mrs. Wendy Wood Whitman of Cadillac, Saturday evening at the Bergquist home in Mt. Pleasant. She received several lovely gifts.
 Mr. and Mrs. Jim Thompson and Bill attended an Awards luncheon at the VFW Post at Mecosta Saturday evening. Bill was awarded a \$25 government bond and a pin for his participation in the Voice of Democracy Auxiliary speech contest.
 Mrs. Thompson and Bill and Bob attended a MYF Youths' Banquet at the United Methodist Church in Remus Sunday evening. Several other groups also were in attendance.
 Mr. and Mrs. Burdette Reed and daughter were Wednesday afternoon guests of the Thompson family.

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Dora Smith, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Kavanaugh, Jr., spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Ed Kavanaugh.

Mrs. Mick Schmalbach was hostess at a bridal shower Sunday honoring Miss Patty Kavanaugh.

Mrs. Gary Riggles underwent surgery Monday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Aggie Bensha spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Walter Faber.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Keiffer attended the funeral of Mrs. Gottlieb Schafer in Ionia last week.

Jeff Schafer sprained his ankle Friday while playing volley ball.

Mrs. Monica Grinzinger and Mrs. Viola Engler are spending a few weeks in Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. Milo Eldred of Winn spent Friday evening with Mrs. Tony Schafer.

Mary Latham spent the weekend with Cindy Klumpp.

Mrs. Tony Schafer spent Sunday with the Ed Schafer family of Coldwater Lake.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Bierschbach entertained the Farm Bureau last Thursday evening. All members were present. Mrs. Bierschbach served a delightful lunch.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Grinzinger and Mrs. Kate Schumacher and son, Harold, spent Thursday evening at the John Schumacher home and enjoyed cards.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Hauck, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Finnerty and Mr. and Mrs. Ron Schumacher have been spending a few days in Kentucky.

Philomena Tilmann was admitted to the Isabella County Medical Facility Feb. 17. She had been in a Saginaw hospital.

Coletta Gross was admitted to CMC Hospital Feb. 21 for treatment of high blood pressure. She was expected home the first of this week, improved in health.

Lisa and Amy Smith, daughters of John Smith, spent Wednesday evening with their great-grandmother, Louise Smith. Norman Tilmann called on Mrs. Smith Friday and fixed her television set.

The children of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Rau had a birthday party for him at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Zeien. Mr. Rau was 80 years Feb. 29. Supper and a card party were enjoyed.

Margaret Judge called on Clara Fox Thursday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Smith of Lansing spent Saturday with relatives and friends in Beal City.

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North Weidman

Elvah Gott, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Scott of Lansing visited Mr. and Mrs. John Gott Sunday, and enjoyed lunch with them.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Williams called on Mr. and Mrs. Ed Olger Sunday. Mrs. Sidney Wood call-

ed on her parents Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Parrish and family of Charlotte spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Abbott, and family. Tom Abbott spent Saturday night with Jerry Abbott.

Pam King, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Don King of Lansing, spent Saturday over night with Cathy Alwood, while her parents enjoyed snowmobiling with friends.

Mrs. Helen Alwood called on her sister-in-law, Orma Kripa, every day after work at CMC Hospital. Orma is there for tests and x-rays, and complete rest from her job at the State Home.

Laura Latham entered the Clare Hospital last Wednesday for tests.

Mr. and Mrs. Micky Abbott and boys and Mrs. Muriel Miller and Debbie called on their father, James Kennedy, Saturday evening, in Rosebush. Mr. Kennedy is ill.

Mrs. Elvah Gott, Mrs. Hermione Smith and Mrs. Helen Alwood enjoyed dinner at the Williams Restaurant in Barryton last Wednesday. Earlier they had called at the Daggett Funeral Home to pay respects to Dennis Loomis. On the way home they called at the Harris Brown home.

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Mrs. Edith Touchinski was a Friday supper guest of Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Sprague. Judy Cook was a Monday morning caller.

REBEKAH CARD PARTY HAS NINE TABLES IN PLAY

At the Rebekah sponsored card party in Weidman last Tuesday afternoon, there were nine tables of pepper in play.

Russell Wilson won first prize for the men, Rose Schafer winning first for the ladies. Low was won by Mr. Ansty.

Ruby Douglas won the pepper prize, with the door prize going to Edna Schultz.

The next card party at the Oddfellows Hall in Weidman will be Tuesday afternoon, March 7.

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Fern Frantz (Mrs. Glen D.) is in the Clare Hospital for tests.
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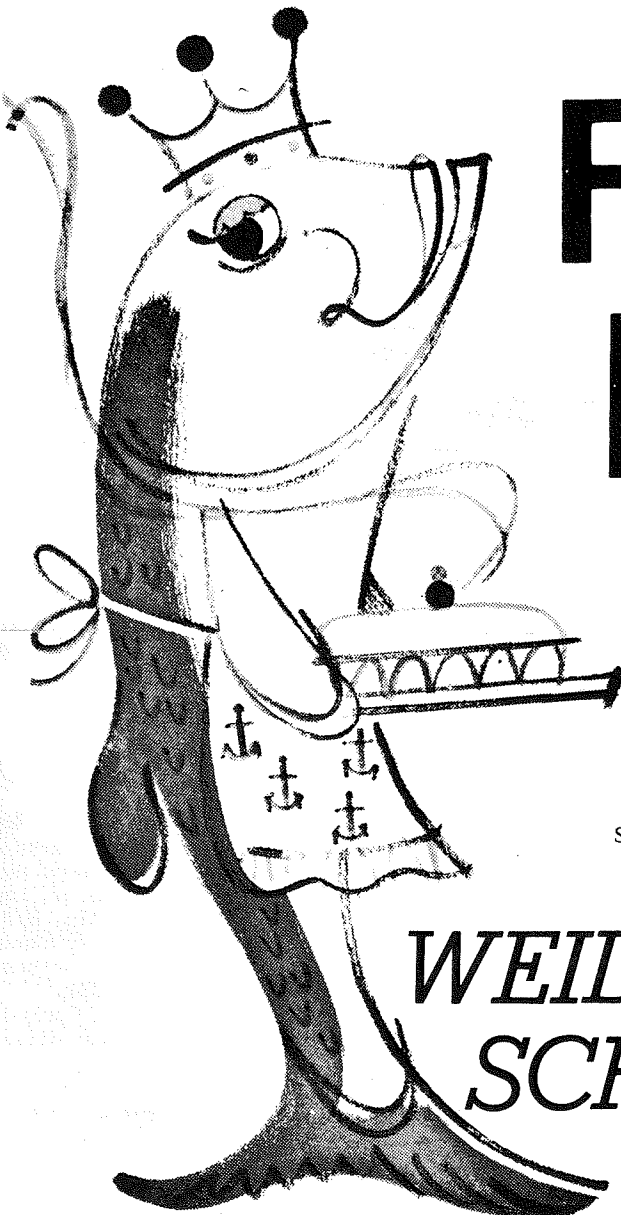
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Mrs. Michael O'Connor

Jean Schmidt and Michael O'Connor were recently united in marriage in an evening ceremony solemnized by Father S. A. Bur at the St. Joseph the Worker Catholic Church in Beal City, before the altar graced with bouquets of gold and rust mums.

The organist, Mrs. Ben Weber, accompanied Fred Steffke, soloist, as he sang "Ave Maria," "Wedding Prayer," and "One Hand, One Heart." The traditional Mendelssohn's "Wedding March" was played while the bride and bridegroom were escorted down the aisle by their parents.

Parents of the couples are Mr. and Mrs. Ernest A. Schmidt, of 2878 N. Vandecar Rd., Mt. Pleasant, and Mr. and Mrs. Philip O'Connor of Taylor.

The bride wore an empire waisted gown of peau de soie with re-embroidered Alencon lace studded with pearls and blouson styled sleeves. Her bouffant, elbow length veil of illusion was secured by a face framer and her train was chapel length. The bride carried a colonial bouquet of yellow roses

and white pompons.

Ruth Schmidt, the bride's sister, was the maid of honor and the bridesmaid was Phyllis O'Connor, the bridegroom's sister. The flower girl, Ronda Kraus, is the niece of the bride. The attendants wore empire waisted dresses which had gold velvet bodices and creme crepe skirts. The flower girl's dress was of gold velvet with an empire waistline. They carried baskets of gold, orange, rust, and white mums with oak leaves and gold ribbons intertwining with the flowers. Their headpieces were gold ribbons and mums, fashioned into bows.

Dana Hoch of Grand Rapids served as the best man and the groomsman was Tim O'Connor, the bridegroom's brother. The ringbearer was Timmy Schmidt, nephew of the bride. Seating the guests were Ron Kraus of Oxford and Richard Schmidt of Grand Haven.

The reception following the ceremony was held at the Beal City Knights of Columbus Hall. Music was provided by the "Stillwater" of Beal City. Judy and Donna Schmidt were in charge

of the guest book. Hilda Despelder and Jo Coltier cut the wedding cake.

The bride's mother wore a navy blue knit dress with matching jewelry and the bridegroom's mother wore a sky blue knit dress. Both mothers wore corsages of yellow sweetheart roses.

The bride graduated from Beal City High School and Michigan State University. The bridegroom graduated from Michigan State University, 1970 and is presently manager of Regal Shoes at North Kent Mall in Grand Rapids.

Mrs. John Tilmann, the godmother of the bride was an honored guest.

Out-of-town guests attended the wedding from Oxford, Taylor, Grand Haven, Grand Rapids, and East Lansing.

The couple now reside at 510 College Street in Grand Rapids.

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NEWS NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. Arlen Frantz of Mt. Morris spent the weekend with his folks, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Frantz.

Mrs. James Millis and son and Joey Evans of Mt. Pleasant were last Thursday visitors of Mrs. Kit Johnson. Mr. and Mrs. Ron Kushion of Waterford and daughter, Kim, spent Sunday with their grandmother and great-grandmother.

Coldwater Lake

Marge Schafer, Reporter

(Too Late for Last Week)

Hi:

Well, we had another lovely Monday morning and a good wash day.

Last Monday evening our visitors were Don Schafer and daughter, Josette, and Leo and Lucille Schafer.

Tuesday evening we had dinner with Jerry and Jane Schafer in Mt. Pleasant.

The Lenten season began last Wednesday.

Friday evening Don and Judy Schafer came over and we spent the evening playing cards.

The Emil Lueders returned from their Florida trip Friday evening.

Saturday we played cards with Leo and Lucille Schafer, who were baby-sitting with their grandchildren while the parents, Floyd and Mary Beth Hauck, were in Kentucky.

Don, Judy and Josette Schafer, and Ed and I attended a birthday party for my mother, Mable Klumpp, Sunday at Ardis Nursing Home. There were about 40 of her family with her, including a very dear friend, Mrs. Lilly, of Shepherd.

Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Sprague and girls visited the Dick Touchinskis Friday evening to see the new baby, Debbie.

Mr. and Mrs. James Noe were in Lansing Friday, to do some shopping and see her doctor.

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A special Thanks to Fire Chief Spike Branson of the Nottawa and Sherman Township Volunteer Fire Department and his men for their tremendous work and skill, saving other buildings endangered by the fire;

Also the Mt. Pleasant and Rosebush Fire Departments for their assistance, for they were also wonderful.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Schmidt
And Family

S. W. Sherman

Goldie Dutcher, Reporter

EXCITEMENT AMONG THE DUTCHER RESIDENTS

There was excitement among the Dutchers' residences in the wee hours of Monday morning.

About 2 o'clock we were awakened by our daughter-in-law, Bonnie Dutcher, banging on our door. We arose and let her in.

She had two men with her. One had been shot through his right arm just above the elbow. The men had been riding snowmobiles.

So Clayton got dressed and took them in to CMC Hospital, where they called the State Police.

Wm. Frank Chaplin, Jr., of Route 2, Shepherd, was admitted for treatment. Police were still investigating the shooting accident Tuesday.

The other, Earl Cool, of near Barryton, and two State Police officers returned to our place.

Clayton went with them back in the woods where the accident occurred, and across country, returning home about 7 a. m.

So it was rather a sleepless night for three Dutcher families, as our car wouldn't start and Clayton had to use Bonnie's car to take them to the hospital.

Then I had to call the Richard Dutchers to have him take Bonnie home.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Dutcher and Gena and Toni of Flint, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dutcher and Rex and Dawn of Midland, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Dutcher and Chris and Jon of Mt. Pleasant and Jim Dutcher were Sunday afternoon visitors of the Clayton Dutchers. Richard Dutcher and Garry and Bonnie Dutcher were callers during the week.

The Robert Dutchers spent Saturday and Sunday with the Garry Dutchers.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Remington and children of Saginaw and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Gaudard and family of Midland spent Sunday with the Ervin Dutchers, Sr.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Losey spent Tuesday evening with the Richard Dutchers.

Burgess Case spent Saturday and Sunday with the Joe Cole family of Alma.

Mr. and Mrs. Roland Merrihew and Kelli of Taylor visited the George Merrihews Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. George Merrihew had dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Kirvan of Barryton Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Merrihew of Peoria, Ill., and Orval Merrihew of the Broomfield Trailer Court called on the George Merrihews Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher, Jr., and Connie Foster visited Steve Dutcher in Grand Rapids.

Mr. and Mrs. Thayne Sides and family were Sunday dinner guests of the Howard Beutler family.

Kimberly Donley and Diane Beutler spent Friday over night with Laurel Beutler.

Howard Beutler has been taking therapy treatments on his injured knee.

Grace Fitzgerald visited Helen Decker of Barryton Thursday afternoon.

Florence Fitzgerald of Lansing spent Wednesday over night with her folks. They were all dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Woodin.

Mr. and Mrs. Gary Gatehouse are spending a week in Florida.

The Roland Merrihews of Taylor called on the Clarence Chaffees Sunday.

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Local Items

Ray Kirvan of Big Rapids was a visitor of Mrs. Emily Wood last week. Other visitors were Bob Kirvan and Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Miller and Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Kirvan of Barryton.

Mrs. Nancy Starks and two daughters of Grand Rapids were Saturday callers of Mrs. Gary Sprague. Mr. and Mrs. Gary Sprague and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Sprague enjoyed dinner Sunday at the Gaslight Restaurant in Mecosta.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Carrick went to Vanderbilt and had dinner with Mrs. Kathleen Carrick and son, John. Mrs. Ethel Wager returned home with the Carricks.

Small Mark St. John was admitted to CMC Hospital last Thursday morning, suffering from respiratory ailments. He was expected home Tuesday of this week.

Lewis Bowen was a last Wednesday visitor at the home of his niece, Mrs. Richard Touchinski, and children.

Connie Skinner was a guest of Lela Whearett and Don Clark Sunday, for dinner at the Gaslight Restaurant in Mecosta. A very nice place, well patronized by out-of-towners.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Sprague

returned last week from a vacation trip to Arizona and Florida. They drove to Arizona, but took a plane for Bradenton, Florida, where they spent a week with Mr. and Mrs. Elvin Keller. Mrs. Keller was Bill's former secretary at the State Home and Train-

ing School, where Bill is purchasing agent. On the plane they talked with Mrs. Doherty of Clare, who asked to be remembered to Connie Roe, who once played Hammond organ in the Doherty Hotel cocktail lounge. Thank you, Mrs. Doherty, and Hi!

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Two Rivers

Blanche Carr, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Gerwig of Casanova and Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Gerwig of Sparta were Sunday guests of Mrs. Nettie Crowley and Jay Leinaar.

Chris Courser celebrated his ninth birthday Sunday with ice cream and cake. His sister, Cindy, took the children to see the show, "The Cross-eyed Lion."

Mr. and Mrs. Dalton Carr and Mrs. Mike Clare and Jennifer were Sunday dinner guests of Blanche Carr, in honor of Dalton's birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Kennedy spent Saturday night and Sunday at the home of their nephew and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Dunn, at Cadillac, and enjoyed snowmobiling.

Richard Larson of Birch Run visited his father, Chris Larson, who underwent surgery last week at CMC Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Cook and Stuart and Mr. and Mrs. Verne Bergy and Bob Dent attended the Milk Producers' dinner at The Embers. The Robert Cooks attended the funeral of their uncle, Gale Strong, at Riverdale, Saturday.

Mrs. Emma Tilmann spent Friday afternoon with Mrs. Kate Martin. Mrs. John Schupbach was a Sunday visitor.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Saunders called on Mrs. Choice Foster Saturday.

Callers last week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Hines were Mr. and Mrs. John Flachs, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Hogg, Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher, and Mrs. Eugene Flachs.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Cook, Mrs. Roy Adams and Mrs. Paul Lueder were visitors of Mrs. E. R. Rhode and Harold during the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Wilmot were Saturday evening guests of the Ray Flaughers. Ray and Minnie had Sunday dinner with their son, Russell, and family, of Midland.

Mrs. Ray Flaughter and Mrs. Russell Flaughter were afternoon guests of Mrs. Richard Flaughter in honor of her birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Cook had their baby, Christopher John, baptized Sunday at the Broomfield Lutheran Church. The family, including the Richard Cooks, the Jack Cooks, Mr. and Mrs. Orves Cook, Alliance Cook, Glee, Kathy and Keith Krueger, Mr. and Mrs. Orville Klumpp, Rev. and Mrs. Edwin Schmelzer and family, and Great-grandfather Herman Cook, were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Cook for dinner after the ceremony.

Mr. and Mrs. Orves Cook called on his sister and family, the Francis Meads, of Mt. Pleasant, Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Terry Martin visited the Charles Garretts Sunday evening.

West Gilmore

Lena Cole, Reporter

Coranna Shaner moved to her new home north of Mt. Pleasant Monday. While driving to work Tuesday morning at the Home and Training School, she struck a steer and a horse on the road. The car was badly damaged. The steer had to be killed, but the horse was being treated by a veterinarian.

Coranna was in the hospital for removal of glass pieces in her arms and legs, as the steer went over the hood of the car and into the windshield.

Paul Crane says he has been enjoying working with the people of Weidman in the absence of Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Pitts, who with their children have been having a Florida vacation. The Pittses are expected back on March 6.

Mrs. Etta Skalitzky visited her brother, Ward Loomis, at CMC Hospital Friday. Ward had surgery for a double hernia last week.

The Paul Coles and Mrs. Helen Alwood visited Mrs. Orma Kripa at CMC Hospital Friday. Mrs. Kripa was suffering from a pinched spinal disc.

Velma Cole is on the sick list. Little Kathy Shaner spent the weekend with her Great-grandma, Mrs. Charlotte Hart.

Sunday dinner guests of Mrs. Hart were Mrs. White Curtis and Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Curtis.

Mrs. Pearl Geasler came home from CMC Hospital last Wednesday. She had been suffering from flu and complications.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Geasler and Mr. and Mrs. Norman Geasler and boys helped Mike Worth celebrate his birthday Wednesday evening. Refreshments of ice cream and cake were served by his mother, Mrs. Robert Worth.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Geasler and boys made a business trip to Lansing last Thursday. The Geaslars were supper guests of their uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. John Geasler, in Lansing.

The Youth Group of the Brinton Church will serve a chili supper March 4. Serving will begin at 5 p.m. at the Brinton Hall.

John Geasler and Barbara and Jo Lynn of Lansing spent the weekend at their cabin.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hummel and family are moving to northwest Brinton.

Raymond Geasler of Grand Rapids spent the weekend at his cabin.

Wm. Wixson was a dinner guest of his sister, Mrs. Hilda Sampson, last Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Crane and boys spent Sunday and had dinner with Ben and Lois Graham. The men and boys spent the afternoon skiing on the hills on the Grahams' property.

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Wood and Jackie and friend, Diane, and granddaughter, Becky, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. John Wood in Lansing.

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Where To Write Your Congressmen

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State Rep. John M. Engler
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Lansing, Mich. 48901

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Elwood Miller spent Sunday afternoon at the home of his son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Touchinski, and children.

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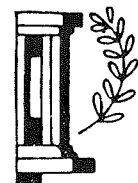
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In the Editor's Mail

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to the (zoning) meeting and the (Board) president spoke in favor of the re-zoning.

The impression was left that the Board was solidly behind the re-zoning, and I let the Zoning Board know that this was not so.

That same evening there was a property-transfer from our school district into another district, and yet, our School Board president, on request of Supt. Jorgensen, was at a re-zoning meeting.

Whose interest was he representing?

Because I believe we need some administrative changes, and there are others who agree, Mr. Jorgensen has accused me of tearing down our school.

This is appalling to me, because I lost many friends just working to get our schools consolidated. I want to see us get better administrative personnel just because I want the very best for our school.

So, if the people want to know what's going on, they'd better start showing up at the School Board meetings. I have never given you or anyone else any information that was not true, but you will have to get it first-hand in the future.

I hope there are those interested enough in our school to come out. Also, by all means, let your Board members know where you stand!

Regretfully,
Ivan Allen

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MARINES SEEKING HIGH SCHOOL BANDSMEN

A high school graduate can step up from his or her high school band to the U.S. Marine Corps Field Band, according to S/Sgt. C. W. Minkle of the recruiting substation at Cadillac.

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HOME PAPER FOR THE WEST HALF OF ISABELLA COUNTY

GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MARCH 12

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Jerred of 2697 Surrey Road, Clare, former residents of Weidman, will be honored at an Open House on Sunday, March 12, on the occasion of their 50th wedding anniversary.

Open House will be held at the West Grant Town Hall, beginning at 2 p.m. and continuing until 5 p.m.

It will be hosted by their children. The couple have requested no gifts, please.

Mr. Jerred was miller at the Weidman Mill under the Holmes Milling Company, in the old days. Many from here will remember the family.

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ANTIQUY SHOW AND SALE FOR MARCH OF DIMES

An antique show and sale will be held Saturday, March 4, from 12 noon to 10 p.m., and Sunday, March 5, from 12 noon to 6 p.m. at the Holiday Inn at Mt. Pleasant, with proceeds to go to the March of Dimes.

Outstanding dealers will offer for sale antique glassware, fine china, furniture, primitives, and many other items in the collectors' realm.

Gary Bugh of Radio Station WCEN is chairman of the Isabella March of Dimes, and manager of the antique show.

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Editor's Column

By Connie

SO WE'RE SUPPOSED TO WRITE A HISTORY OF WEIDMAN; WE'LL DO IT HERE

For the past three years Ye Ed has been trying to drive herself to get at a History of Weidman for the Gladys McArthur Memorial Library here.

For the past three years we've been stacking up material which we possibly might use, and now we realize that we never will get at a separate project of writing Weidman's history.

So we propose to tuck it in this column or elsewhere in the Messenger as space permits and our energy holds out.

We can use any old photos, which will be returned; and we especially wish to hear from old-timers of Weidman's beginning.

We personally ask Vina Bailey of Mt. Pleasant and Edith Kennedy of Flint to jot down what they can remember of old, old days at the beginning of Weidman.

And we especially ask all others who can remember the saw-mills of John S. Weidman, or the Weidman family, or the logging camp which was the beginning of Weidman Town, to write us notes or letters and we shall use them.

We'll begin with surrounding areas, we think; for there were

other places and towns established years ahead of Weidman: Brinton, Coldwater Township (Martin Boger's remembrances are our mainstay there); Drew was established; Sherman City, Beal City, Caldwell (Two Rivers), and some others.

We'll hope to begin the history within the next week or so. It will appear probably spasmodically, but it can be put together into a coherent piece when it's done (we hope).

And don't forget, we vote on a proposition to raise school taxes by 2.7 mills on March 9.

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SAFETY COUNCIL INVITES DRIVER ED. INSTRUCTORS

The Isabella County Safety Council will meet Tuesday, March 7, in the District Court room.

Chairman John Hackett has invited driver education teachers of the various high schools in Isabella County to discuss what

they teach in driver education, and how efforts are continually being made to improve driver-education programs to place safer drivers on the highways.

Plans for other programs will be discussed at the business part of the meeting.

All new Board members are urged to be present.

All meetings are open to the public. Suggestions on promoting better safety in the area are always welcome.

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NEWS NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. R.D. Sprague spent last Saturday afternoon and had supper with Mr. and Mrs. George Looman of Cedar Springs. They had Sunday supper with Mr. and Mrs. Dick Touchinski.

Dale Bywater of Midland spent Saturday afternoon with his step-mother, Mrs. Ethel Bywater. He took her for a ride around the countryside.

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