

# The Weidman Messenger

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## Editor's Column

By Connie

### WE OWE OUR READERS AN EXPLANATION

We feel the Messenger owes its readers an explanation as to the reason the Messenger carried no news story or announcement of the Grand Opening of Lake of the Hills over the Labor Day weekend.

The Messenger people learned of it only by reading about it in the Mt. Pleasant Times-News, the Barryton Press, and the Farwell News.

We would have been happy to have informed our public of this event, if we had known about it.

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### OUR NEWS WRITERS CAME ACROSS AGAIN

Our thanks to the Messenger's faithful news writers who went to some pains to get their news in the paper this week, in the face of no postal delivery Monday, our crucial day.

The Messenger has the most interesting and most dedicated set of news writers any weekly paper ever enjoyed.

Our deeply felt thanks, gals!

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### THIS MAN WAS NEVER UNEMPLOYED

William F. Martin came in to the Messenger office Tuesday to renew his subscription, and he said he has been farming on his place east of Beal City for right around 50 years.

"While farming is all I know," Mr. Martin told Ye Ed, "I do claim this: I've never been out of a job, and never been fired."

He also added, "Now I'm 75 years old, and I keep going; but if I get tired I sit down---and it's nobody's business but mine!"

We like his kind of philosophy.

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### GRAND OPENING OF LAKE OF THE HILLS DRAWS MANY TO VIEW-IT

Allen Lumber Company's Grand Opening celebration of Lake of the Hills over the Labor Day weekend drew many people to view the pretty shore lines and wooded lots available.

Management of the celebration was by a real estate promotion company from Lansing. Wendell Drallette's nice new cottage on the Walt Smith section of the lake was used as an information office.

Many lots were inspected by interested people, and a satisfactory weekend was enjoyed.

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The Messenger gets new subscribers every week. Thanks, folks.



INA GILLETT

Dear Connie:

Mother visited us in Wyoming a short time ago. We took her to Hudsonville to Cory's blueberry farm. She picked some herself.

I'm sending you her picture, thinking you might want it for the Messenger. What you see behind her are blueberries.

I'll take my hat off to Mom any day. She should have been voted Mother of the Year. They just don't make mothers like her any more. Mom is 83 now.

I like the changes I see in the old home town.

Ed and Henrietta Boerema, 220 Bellvue SW, Wyoming, Mich.

### GARY SPRAGUE LEASES GULF SERVICE STATION

Richard (Gary) Sprague is the new manager at Weidman's Gulf Service Station at the north end of the business street. He took over from Bill Wilcox, who successfully operated it the past few years.

Gary Sprague is well known and universally liked and respected, and doubtless will prosper in his new venture. Gary has also worked as an auto mechanic, on repairs, and as a farm-machinery mechanic.

Bill Wilcox has purchased the east ten acres of the Ernest Loomis piece at the east end of the Air Line Road, and plans to enter some kind of business at that location.

We congratulate both of these young men, both married and with families, who are contributing to the growth of Weidman.

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### NEWS NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Donley and family went to the Richard Donley, Sr., cottage on the Pine River near Reed City, and spent the day Sunday.

### DENTS ENJOY SALMON FISHING IN IDAHO

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Dent visited the Messenger family Saturday afternoon, bringing George and Connie two large cartons of fresh frozen salmon, a gift from Harris Bellows of Calder, Idaho.

Mr. and Mrs. Dent and Harry, and Michael Loomis returned home Friday morning early, after a two weeks' visit with their uncle and aunt out there, Mr. and Mrs. Bellows. The Skinners were more than delighted to receive such a wonderful gift from old friends.

The Dents said the trip from Chicago to Spokane took only two and a half hours. In Spokane they were contacted by Ralph and Janet McCreight, former Weidman residents.

Mr. and Mrs. Bellows live in the mountains, in a beautiful setting abounding with fish and game. They report they caught 596 salmon, among the parties, while they were there. They used canned white corn for bait, and did most of their fishing on Ceour de Lene Lake, about 48 miles from the Bellows home. They also caught 27 perch and 37 big bullheads at another lake in a couple of hours' fishing.

Side roads were closed on account of forest fire conditions, the Dents said. Idaho has been declared a disaster area after suffering serious damage from fires.

The road to Harris' home is now blacktopped, they reported. Mr. and Mrs. Bellows live in the hills, in a charming setting and home.

Folks in their neighborhood do a great deal of canning and preparing food, now, stocking up for winter. They also stock up (Continued on last page)

## Men in Uniform

### HERE'S A LETTER TO YOU FROM US BACK HOME

The Messenger people follow the news of service men each week with greatest interest, and each week say, "We'll try to get off some letters to these boys."

The Messenger family is getting along in years and slows up and the letters never get written. So we're attempting this week to write a letter to all our area men in service everywhere, from us to them.

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Dear Men In Uniform:

Your families, friends, and even those who don't know you personally are thinking of you with every day that passes. We may not seem to be thinking of you, but believe us, we are.

We follow your travels from camp to camp and from the States to places all over the world. We think of you in Viet Nam as we watch the evening news on television.

We hope for the time when you can all come back home and stay here. We know your families are saying prayers for you daily, and we add our little prayer to theirs.

We know that nothing takes the place of letters at mail call. We shall try to do better and write a few letters to you. But like we said, we're getting old, and we are slowing up, but we'll try.

Meantime, at mail call, we hope you'll think of us, George and Connie Skinner, those old folks at Weidman, who think of you young men all over the world waiting for letters from home.

Please consider this a letter personally, from us to you, and please know that we think of all of you, our Weidman area boys, every day. And by "Weidman area," we mean from here to Mt. Pleasant, and from here to Barryton, and Remus, and all around.

We personally send our sincere thoughts and hopes and prayers to you.

George and Connie Skinner.

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### REBEKAH CARD PARTY HAS SEVEN TABLES IN PLAY

Seven tables were in play at the last Rebekah-sponsored card party.

Prizes were won by Mary Otterbein, Gertrude Gross, Clara Fox, Myrtle Moses, with Nina Forbes winning the door prize.

A nice lunch was served by the committee.

The next party will be Sept. 12, at the hall.

# Walker Creek News

Esther Stanley, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Loomis and family visited Mr. and Mrs. Keith Loomis Saturday evening.

Miss Teresa Loomis spent a few days the past week with her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Del Esterline, of Farwell.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Peeper and sons of Lansing were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Loomis and daughters.

Mrs. Ethel McLean and Mr. Koyl visited her brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Elgin Denslow, at Sylvan, Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Dean Blado, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Fifield and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Oliver and daughters and Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Fifield of Lansing were weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Bobroski.

Mrs. Ray Patterson of Marion visited Mr. and Mrs. Harry Dosenberry and Paul and Keith Sunday afternoon, wishing her sister, Mrs. Dosenberry, Happy Birthday, which was Aug. 15. Belated Birthday Wishes, Alma!

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Dosenberry and Blaine spent the weekend with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Dague and Mr. and Mrs. Dosenberry.

Mr. and Mrs. Lou Gray attended the Beal City Homecoming and chicken barbecue sponsored by the KCs Sunday. Mr. and Mrs.

Marshall Lowery of Barryton were Thursday night guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Skalitzky visited her sister, Mrs. Kate Darnell, at Barryton Sunday evening. Mrs. Darnell wasn't feeling very well.

Mr. and Mrs. Otis Conley spent the weekend at White River, Canada, hoping to bring back some big walleyes.

Mrs. Verl Wright and son of Detroit spent a few days with her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Schrock, and family. Mr. Wright joined them the weekend, celebrating their third wedding anniversary.

Mrs. Duane Gray and Joyce, Barbara and Yvonne of Mt. Pleasant visited Saturday evening at the Shrock home.

Mr. and Mrs. Keith Thompson and his brother, Ralph, spent a few days at Fort McClellan, Ala., visiting the former's son, Barry, who is stationed there. They took his car down for him.

Mr. and Mrs. Micky Dargitz and family of Remus were Saturday supper guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Denslow. Mrs. Denslow was a Sunday dinner guest of Mrs. Dargitz and family.

Mrs. Leo Denslow and Denise, and Mrs. Ronald De Vries and Rhonda Sue of Big Rapids were Sunday afternoon callers.

Miss Janet Dillenbeck left Monday for Spring Lake, where she will be teaching this year.

Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Schrock attended the special feature at the Brinton Chapel Saturday evening, enjoying the talking dolls, Susy and Sydney, of Mr. and Mrs. Rexford of Kent City, and other special entertainment.

Mrs. Doris Mitchell of Clare and granddaughter, Lori Jo Pilon, of Midland, came after Mrs. Stanley Tuesday morning and she was a dinner guest. Mr. and Mrs. Pilon and Carolyn, Jeanine and Dawn, were also dinner guests. In the afternoon Mr. and Mrs. Pilon, Mrs. Mitchell and Mrs. Stanley attended the funeral of their sister's father-in-law, Charles L. Shepherd, at the Garber Funeral Home in Shepherd. Mr. Shepherd had been an oil promoter and super-intendent for many years.

Weekend guests at the Stanley home were Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Moore of St. Johns and their son, David, of Saginaw; Mr. and Mrs. Adelbert Pung and Bonnie, Julie and Sandra, and their friend, Mary Lou Le Fevre, of St. Johns, and Mr. and Mrs. Donald Pung and family of Beal City.

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### NEWS NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. Maynard Downing of Marion were Saturday callers at the Clyde Beutler home. They were on their way to join 80 other campers driving to Expo 67 in Montreal, after which they plan to spend a month on tour with the band of campers.

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### BETTER THAN A LETTER

# N. Broomfield

Maycie Cook, Reporter

Mrs. Nettie Crowley and brother, Jay Leinaar, visited their niece and family, Mr. and Mrs. George Erhardt, of Newaygo, Saturday.

Mrs. E. Rhode and Harold visited Mrs. Lorraine Schultz and other relatives and friends in Lansing Wednesday.

Mrs. Elinor McCrimmon of Lansing and Miss Aliance Cook enjoyed a trip last weekend to the Soo Locks and bridge, and other points around Michigan.

Herman, Aliance and Maycie Cook and Mrs. Glee Krueger and Kathy spent Friday with Mrs. Alice Fox and family in Lansing, and also called on Mr. and Mrs. Junior Cook.

Mrs. Grace Crowley received word Saturday that her grandson, Tom Sharp, of Grand Rapids, had been killed that early morning in a car wreck. Burial was in the Broomfield Cemetery Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Rhode and Karen spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Harold Elliott of Mt. Pleasant.

Mrs. E. Rhode had as dinner guests Saturday, cousins from Florida, Mrs. Louise Gerber, Helen Hummel, and Mrs. Ola Smith of Flint. Mrs. Mary Cook and Maycie Cook called to visit in the afternoon.

Marvin Armock, Jr., of Grand Rapids called on his aunt, Mrs. Nettie Crowley, Thursday afternoon. He works for a furniture company and was delivering furniture to private homes in Weidman and Mt. Pleasant.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Hines and Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Hines attended a wedding reception for Mr. and Mrs. Roger Flachs in the Remus Hall Saturday evening.

Mrs. Blanche Carr called on Mrs. Mildred Rhode one evening last week.

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Mr. and Mrs. Gale Brien of Shepherd were Thursday evening callers of Mrs. Nina Forbes.

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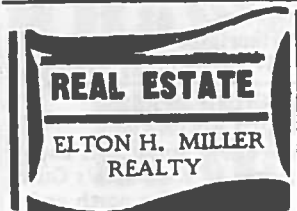
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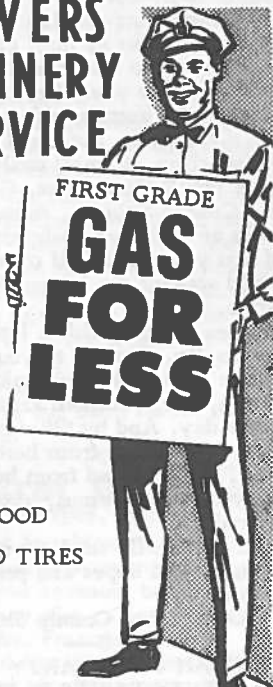
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**WANT ADS**

WANT AD RATES: 50¢ per week for ordinary ad; space rates of 50¢ per col. inch for those of longer length. Card of Thanks: 75¢, unless very long. Ph. 644-2000, Weidman.

PERMANT WAVE SPECIAL--Due to closing out, we are offering a very special price on Oil Reconditioning Permanent Waves, only \$5.95. Sue Sebenick will be at the beauty shop at the corner of Weidman and Beal City Roads Mondays, Thursdays and Fridays, till further notice. SUE'S BEAUTY SHOP, Ph. 644-3441, for appointment. Aug 31t2

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FOR SALE--Leghorn hens, 50¢ each. Mrs. Joe Wawersik, ph. 644-2233. Sept. 7t1

GRANGE CENTENNIAL SUPPER--Sept. 9, at the Broomfield Grange Hall. Serving from 5 p. m. to 7.30 p. m. Located corner S. Coldwater Rd. and M-20. Menu: Chicken, beef noodles, meat loaf. Adults \$1.25, children under 12 years 75¢, pre-school children no charge. Sept. 7t1

WANT ADS PAY--Everybody reads 'em, to the last words.

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**the Churches**

WEIDMAN BAPTIST CHURCH Rev. Marvin Eldridge, Pastor Sunday School, 10 a. m. Church service, 11 a. m. Choir practice, 7 p. m. Evening Service, 7.30 p. m. Choir practice Thursday, 7 p. m. Prayer Meeting Thursday, 7.30 p. m.

\*\*\*\*\* FOREST HILL COMMUNITY CHURCH Rev. Stanley Spires, Pastor Sunday School, 10 a. m. Preaching, 11 a. m. Youth Fellowship, 7 p. m. Evangelistic Service, 7.30 p. m. Mid-week Praise Service, Wednesday, 7.30 p. m. Choir practice, Junior and Senior, Wednesday, 8.30 p. m. Recreation, Thursday, 7 p. m.

NEWS NOTES Elwyn West and Mr. and Mrs. Elwyn West, Jr., and children were Labor Day callers of Elwyn, Sr.'s, grandfather, George Skinner, and Connie. The Junior Wests had been camping at the public landing on Littlefield Lake. They left for their home in Flint Monday. BETTER THAN A LETTER

**Obituary**

HELENA LAUBENTHAL Beal City lost another of its beloved old pioneer residents last week when Mrs. Helena Laubenthal passed away Saturday, Sept. 2, in the Medical Facilities Building in Mt. Pleasant at the age of 84.

She was born in Westphalia Jan. 8, 1883, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Dole. She was the widow of William J. Laubenthal.

Her parents moved to Beal City when she was a child, and after her marriage she and Mr. Laubenthal operated the Laubenthal Grocery Store in Beal City over 30 years. She had lived nearly all her life in Beal City, and leaves many relatives and very many friends.

Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Geraldine Horan and Mrs. Vada Block, both of Beal City. Mrs. Horan is also in the Medical Facilities Building in Mt. Pleasant. Also surviving are six grandchildren and 21 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held in St. Joseph the Worker Church in Beal City Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock, with Rev. Father Neubecker officiating. Burial was in the Church cemetery.

The family has the sympathy of all.

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**Obituary**

SAFFORD TERRY

Safford Terry died Sept. 1, in Kelsey Memorial Hospital at Lakeview, after a long illness.

He was born Dec. 25, 1895, and lived most of his life in this and the Barryton area. His wife, Mildred (White) is a former Weidman resident. The Terry family was a Weidman area family.

Safford was buried Monday, Sept. 4, in the Flake Cemetery at Barryton.

He is survived by his wife, Mildred, and a daughter, Mrs. Vonna Rosebrugh, of Sears; four grandchildren, two brothers, Roy of Belding and Howard, of Traverse City. Also one sister, Mrs. Eva Vicenus, of Mesa, Ariz.

Rev. Thomas Tarrant of the Barryton Methodist Church, presided at the funeral services. Safford was a member of his church.

Safford and Mildred have lived for years at their home on M-66 three and a half miles south of Barryton. They have very many friends here.

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**EVERYBODY READS IT!**

We are gratified at the fact that everybody really does read the Messenger. Every word in it. The Messenger is the best-read paper in Central Michigan.

**Weidman Messenger**

**Local Items**

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Bywater spent Sunday at Maple Rapids, with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Thomas and family.

Mrs. Flossie Davy returned Monday from CMC Hospital after three days for treatment of buritis in her shoulder.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Middlesworth spent the weekend at the home of their son, Doug, and family, in Lansing.

Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Johnston and family of Rosebush were Sunday dinner guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Beutler. Afternoon and evening visitors were Mr. and Mrs. Earl Fordyce and Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Cole of Mt. Pleasant.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Spence and children of Pontiac spent the weekend with her folks, Mr. and Mrs. Gene McArthur, and family.

Mrs. Vada Carroll and Mrs. Emma Middlesworth entertained Kenneth Hale and his daughter, Mrs. Betty Antonich, of Detroit, at lunch Friday. They were on their way to their winter home at Tampa, Fla.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Knudson and children of Livonia spent the weekend with his mother, Mrs. Lela Whearett.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Fox attended the Breuer family reunion at the Howard Kolarik home Monday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Verne Foster and her sister were Friday visitors of Mrs. Ina Gillett. Mrs. Ernie Foster and daughter and friends of Detroit were Sunday callers.

Herbert Lawrence of Horsehead Lake in Mecosta County was in the Messenger office Monday, and he remarked that he and Safford Terry went to Army camp together 50 years ago in September, in World War I. Others bound for Camp Custer at that time included Bob Hines, Orrie Merrihew, and many other men from this area.

**WEDDING STATIONERY**

- \* Invitations
- \* Announcements
- \* Anniversary Invitations
- Silver Wedding
- Golden Wedding

**Weidman Messenger**

By Appointment After 6 p. m.



**VOLUNTEERS WORK HARD TO COMPLETE CHAPEL**--The photo above shows Earl Place as he worked last Thursday on finishing painting on the Brinton Chapel, in which first services were held Sunday, Sept. 3. This is a beautiful small church, with attractive and adequate finishings inside. It was built mainly with volunteer labor from the Brinton area. The Brinton people are to be congratulated for their work in building this lovely place to worship.  
Messenger photo

## Brinton News

Cora Estes, Reporter

### NEW CHAPEL HAS SERVICES ALL THIS WEEK

There will be services all this week in the new Brinton Chapel.

There were many colored pictures taken of the group Sunday, our first meeting in the church.

All agreed it was a well built and very nice Chapel, and the only church in the village for many years.

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Mr. and Mrs. Frank Scott of Suttons Bay spent Sunday with Mrs. Flossie Scott and Don.

The Norman Brines family returned home Tuesday after a visit with Norman's mother in Illinois.

Miss Vicki Brass of Gray Lake and James Iverson of Evart were Saturday visitors at the Bert Estes home.

Mrs. Ethol Wright, who has stayed in her cottage at Crooked Lake this summer, has returned to her home in Pontiac for the winter.

The Ronald Jones family of Bay City were Sunday callers at the Edna Teeter home.

The Forrest Grahams of rural Farwell were Sunday evening visitors at the home of Carl and Ellen Geasler.

Carl Geasler is giving their home a new coat of paint.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Latham, Mr. Lee, and the Clifford Leiters made a trip to Tifton, O., where they visited places where Mr. Lee worked many years ago. Mr. Lee is now in his 93rd year.

Mrs. Flossie Forbes, who has been with her daughter in Detroit, for some time, is now back in her home town of Brinton.

Mrs. Bert Estes visited her doctor

at the medical center of Kelsey Hospital in Lakeview Tuesday morning of this week, and received medication for fluid on her lungs. She returned home, and was getting along better Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. Lena St. John took Cora to Lakeview.

Russell and Violet Wright attended the horse races at the Marion Fair Thursday evening.

The Virgil and Leland La Londe families left Monday morning to attend the funeral of a brother, Lyle La Londe, of Cleveland, O.

Verl Wright of Detroit spent the weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Wright. Sunday evening visitors were the Homer Wright family of Greenville.

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## S.W. Sherman

Goldie Dutcher, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Dutcher and daughters of Lake Orion, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Gaudard and family of Midland, Mrs. Lois Cain and three sons of Grand Rapids, and Miss Arlene Van Buren of Grand Rapids spent the Labor Day weekend with their folks, the Ervin Dutchers. Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Dutcher and family of Clarkston visited both their parents, the Ervin Dutchers and the George Merrihews. Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher, Jr., and family were Sunday guests. It was the first time in 10 years the Dutcher families had all been together, and they enjoyed the weekend very much.

Callers Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hines and Mr. and Mrs. Bud Hines and family of Barryton. Mr. and Mrs. Richard Dutcher and Douglas, Mrs. Minnie Strauch and daughter, Mrs. Janice Gordon, and three children, and Floyd Dutcher, were also vis-

itors. The Clayton Dutchers called Monday forenoon. Mrs. Minnie Hines was an afternoon caller.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dutcher and children of Midland and Mr. and Mrs. Larry Dutcher and Gena of Pine Run were Labor Day dinner guests of the Clayton Dutchers. Mr. and Mrs. Richard Dutcher and Douglas were Sunday evening callers.

Mrs. Minnie Strauch of Mt. Pleasant, Mrs. Janice Gordon and three children of Coleman and Floyd Dutcher were Sunday afternoon callers of the Clayton Dutchers.

Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher and Arlene Van Buren attended the reception for Mr. and Mrs. Roger Flachs (Judy Fountain) at Remus Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher and Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Dutcher spent Thursday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hines.

Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher and Mrs. Minnie Hines attended the funeral of Safford Terry Monday afternoon.

Mick and Kathy Loomis and girl friend of New Era were Sunday callers of the Garry Dutchers.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Beutler and Laurel visited her folks, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Sanderson, of St. Charles, Sunday.

Diane Beutler spent Sunday over night and Monday with the Forrest Johnston family at Rosebush.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Merrihew and daughters of Pontiac came Thursday night and spent until Monday with his folks, the Orrie Merrihews. Lucile's stepmother returned home with them and was to visit Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Fleming of Lapeer. She has been visiting the Merrihews the past two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Orrie Merrihew and

Orval attended the funeral of Safford Terry Monday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Van Nocker and family of Lansing and Buddy Tabor spent the weekend with Mrs. Katherine McDaniel and family. Mr. and Mrs. Ray Freeze and children of the Clayton Dutchers spent Sunday afternoon with them.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hardenburg and family of Pierson and Mr. and Mrs. Willard Ransom and Billy of Grand Blanc spent Sunday with the Harry Hardenburgs and Emory Dell. Judy Hardenburg came home after spending the week with Pat and Willard.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Cook and children visited her parents, the Harry Hardenburgs, Monday.

The Clarence Chaffee family attended the wedding and reception for Mr. and Mrs. Steve Small at New Baltimore Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. George Bolinger of Grand Ledge and Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Kirvan of Pontiac were Wednesday callers of Mr. and Mrs. George Merrihew. Mr. and Mrs. Steven Small of Mt. Clemens were Sunday dinner guests.

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## Local Items

Floyd Dutcher returned home last Wednesday after spending a month at the home of his son in Seattle, Wash. While there Floyd also visited with a cousin, Edgar Holt, whom he hadn't seen in 47 years. Floyd made some side trips during his visit, including the disastrous landslide east of Hope, B. C., and Loon Lake in Canada.

Mrs. Bill Sprague entered CMC Hospital last Thursday, suffering from muscle spasms in her neck and head. She suffered a whiplash in an accident a few months ago.

BETTER THAN A LETTER

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## Beal City

Dora Smith, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Milo Eldred of Blanchard, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Klumpp of Mt. Pleasant and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Schafer spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Tony Schafer.

The Senior Citizens will have their annual meeting Thursday afternoon from 2 to 4, at the K. C. Hall.

A big crowd attended the KC Festival and chicken barbecue Sunday. All enjoyed a delicious dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Piggot and Ronald Smith of Fowler were here for the K. C. dinner, and called on Louise Smith. Gertrude Grodski of Mt. Pleasant also attended, and visited the Smith and Harold Block homes.

Mrs. Jeanette Miller of Mt. Pleasant called on Ann Smith Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Helen Dahlquist, Mrs. Jacqueline and Mrs. Norris Trude of Cadillac were here to pay respects to Mrs. Wm. Laubenthal, and called on other relatives while here.

Mrs. Howard Blasen and children of St. Johns and her mother, Mrs. James Henry, of Mecosta called on Louise Smith Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Riley entertained their club Friday evening. Prizes went to Mrs. Jim Faber and Raymond Pung for high score, and Jim Faber and Mrs. Raymond Pung, low. Pepper prize went to Mrs. Norman Vogel. An enjoyable evening was spent.

Larry Sebenick, Karen Mengel, Dave Boverhop and Kathleen and Ken Sebenick and Janice spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Norman Sebenick.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Mathews are the proud parents of a baby girl, born Saturday, Aug. 26. She has been named Nanette Marie.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Schafer of Mt. Pleasant spent Thursday evening at the Tony Schafer home.

Mrs. Louise Schafer spent the weekend at her home.

Mrs. Vera Blind of Detroit spent the weekend with her mother, Mrs. Ted Ahlers.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Schafer and family spent the weekend in Detroit.

The bans of matrimony were announced for the first time Sunday between Leo Battle, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clement Battle, and Judy Faber, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Faber.

Miss Anna Gross spent Thursday night with Miss Sharon Pung. Bobbie Ann Pung stayed with Susie Gross that night.

Mrs. Gertrude Schafer and Mrs. Tressie Ahlers called on Mrs. Joe Pung Tuesday afternoon.

Dora Pung is working for Mrs. Don Pung a few weeks, while the latter is employed in the Yankee Store in Mt. Pleasant.

Leon Pung of Portland was in Beal City last Tuesday, and called on Joe Pung.

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## WEST Nottawa

Helen Alwood, Reporter

Pfc. and Mrs. James Neubecker and son spent last Tuesday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Neubecker. Jim had a few days' furlough to come home and get his family. They all returned to his base in Georgia. Jim's son is two months old, and this was the first Jim had seen the baby. The child is the first grandson for the Leo Neubeckers.

Mrs. Hermione Smith spent Sunday at the Don Alwood home to help celebrate her 74th birthday. Mr. and Mrs. George Smith of St. Johns were afternoon callers. They all enjoyed a tour around Lake of the Hills, and visited with Mr. and Mrs. Walt Smith.

Mrs. Don Alwood and children spent Thursday in Mt. Pleasant. They did some school shopping, Donny saw his dentist, and they enjoyed lunch before returning home.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Miller and Butch of Lansing spent the long weekend at their pleasant cabin. They entertained friends from Lansing while here. On the way home they planned to see Earl's mother in Midland, who is home from the hospital, feeling some better.

This reporter enjoyed the picture and writeup about Jessie Rosencrantz and her orphan kittens. Jessie has a heart of gold, and we all love her very much.

Mrs. Bessie Sexton returned home from CMC Hospital last Thursday, after surgery for removal of gall bladder.

Ward Dell's birthday is next week, Sept. 14. Ward is still in the Tb. Hospital at Saginaw. Cards addressed to the hospital will get to him.

Mrs. Lillian Johnston spent Tuesday night and Wednesday with Mr. and Mrs. Emil Phillips at Lake. Lillian returned back to work at CMC Hospital Tuesday, after enjoying a two weeks' vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Alwood and children and Mr. and Mrs. John Gott attended the Labor Day celebration at Farwell Monday. They all enjoyed visiting with old friends and neighbors.

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## Local Items

Mrs. Emily Wood returned Friday after a visit in Benton Harbor, Dowagiac and Berrien Springs.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Johnson and Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Johnson and children, all of Mt. Pleasant, were Sunday guests of their mother, Mrs. Kit Johnson.

BETTER THAN A LETTER

## In the Editor's Mail

Dear Connie:

Another year, please, of the Messenger's weekly (Monday) visits to us out here.

Mae and Ben Cotes  
Lyle and Kate Wolfe.

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Dear Connie and George:

I thought sure I'd be up before now, but I have been kept busy this summer, I don't know doing what, as I can't see much that I have done. Anyway, it seems the summer is passing too soon and the air feels fallish already.

We have been getting some sudden rainstorms lately. It helps the little garden that I planted in the flower bed. I picked my first Kentucky Wonder beans today, and had them with ham for dinner. Seems like they taste much better when they come from your own garden, don't they?

Have some corn in the making, but the frost might get it before I do. I had an old potato that sprouted, was no good to eat, so I cut it into four pieces and planted four hills. Three hills came up. They have blossomed,

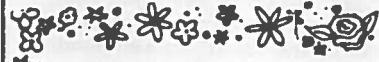
so now I'm wondering what I will harvest. Tomatoes and peppers will surprise me if I get any.

I wanted to get over and get some of your berries, but didn't. Will have to try harder next year.

Sorry to be so long in getting my paper renewal to you. Hope this is enough. One of my receipts is this, but it might have gone higher since then.

Thanks so much for your patience.

Sincerely,  
Helen Hudson  
1275 S. 8-Mile Rd.  
Route 5, Midland.



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### SOME INTERESTING HISTORY OF NOTTAWA TOWNSHIP

(Editor's Note: Walter Russell of Mt. Pleasant, Isabella County's most devoted historian and collector, wrote the following piece and sent it to us months ago. It is taken from a July, 1884, edition of a "Portrait and Biographical Album" printed by Chapman Brothers of Chicago.

(While we feel that Chapman Brothers of Chicago had a good thing going in their historical and biographical accounts, as they were well paid for each biographical writeup and more so for pictures, we do believe that they accomplished an invaluable record of the situations and conditions in this area at that time, 1884.

(Herewith is the 1884 account of Nottawa Township, probably the county's richest farming area and one of the very foremost townships in modern achievement and progress today.)

Isabella County has a large acreage of valuable land, but in no part of it are there so many acres of splendid agricultural land in one body as are embraced in Nottawa Township.

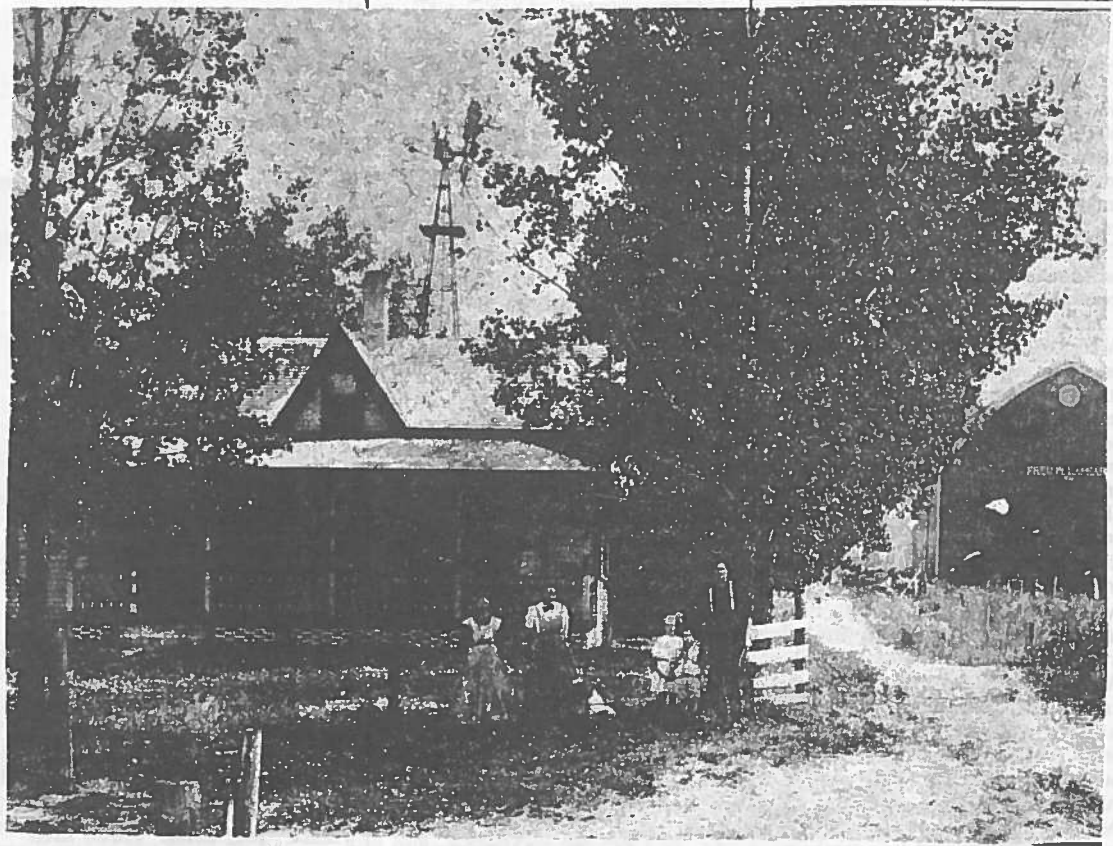
This is still included in the Indian reservation, and most of the inhabitants are Indians. Some of them are in good circumstances and are amassing a competency. The remnants of the Chippewa tribe who are not actively engaged in farming are a lazy, shiftless set, who eke out a scanty livelihood by hunting and trapping. Those of the tribe who live in the most primitive style and cling to their old superstitions are numbered among the residents of Nottawa.

The township was named in honor of an Indian chief who bore the name. He was one of the most noble and honored men of his tribe, whose teachings were listened to with rapt attention by his people. He advocated honesty, industry and the Christian virtues, and by his own acts exemplified his precepts. His death occurred Oct. 10, 1881, and his loss was sincerely mourned not only by his own people but also by the whites as well. He had attained the advanced age of 100 years, and until a short time before his death was quite an active man.

One of the Indian marriage customs still practiced among some of the race who live in Nottawa Township, is as follows:

The parents of the youth of either sex contract the marriage during the months of October and November. The affianced comes to the house of her future father-in-law, and takes up her quarters there for six months previous to the date fixed upon for the marriage to take place.

During this period, no conversation is indulged in between the young folks, although living in the same house and sharing



THE FRED LA PEARL FARM IN NOTTAWA, in the early 1900's. Shown in the picture above, left to right, are Mr. LaPearl's mother, and Mrs. Fred LaPearl (Mrs. Zulu Grewett's sister), three children, and Fred.

the same bed.

The latter is arranged by the father-in-law, by placing a log lengthwise of the bed, thus separating the parties (!), who after the six months' probation are declared man and wife by the chief of the tribe.

Everything must be arranged through the mother-in-law, who acts as mediator between the young people.

All the game killed by the young man during this term of courtship is dried by his mother and put away for future use. The hides and pelts taken in the chase during the same period, as well as all the maple sugar manufactured, are sold, and whisky and other refreshments purchased therewith to be used at the marriage feast, which is made an occasion of great hilarity by the invited guests.

The township was organized in 1874, and the first election was held at Eli Ford's house in April, 1875. The Inspectors were John Hyslop, Michael McGeehan and Eli Ford.

The first white man locating in the township was Michael McGeehan, who was the first Supervisor. The second was Senator Alonzo T. Frisbee, who purchased half of Section 16, and improved 200 acres of it in the best of style.

At the first election, only 33 votes were polled, 5 white and 28 Indian.

The voting population is yet very light, but the township will soon become peopled with whites,

the Government having already given virtual permission to the Indians to dispose of their lands should they see proper. Patents will issue from the proper authorities at an early date, and the lands which are now unoccupied will soon blossom like the rose.

A beautiful lake, through which Coldwater River flows, covers the whole of Section 30. It abounds in fish and water-fowl.

The Coldwater, flowing through the western, and the Chippewa River flowing through the eastern

parts of the township, afford unlimited facilities for the transportation of the myriads of logs to the mills below.

The following named gentlemen have represented Nottawa as Supervisors:

Michael McGeehan, 1875-6. Alonzo T. Frisbee, 1877-8. Michael McGeehan, 1879. Fred Speck, 1880. Phidelous Bennett, 1881-2. and Joseph T. Gachter, 1883-4.

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BETTER THAN A LETTER

# THANK YOU

My sincere appreciation to all my many friends and customers at the Wilcox Gulf Station in Weidman.

You made the Wilcox Station a busy and prosperous place, and I am grateful.

I hope to remain in the business realm of the Weidman area, although I have not made definite plans as yet.

Your friend and neighbor,

BILL WILCOX

**Around Horr**

Jessie Rosencrantz, Reporter  
 Mr. and Mrs. Mack Denslow attended Roger Kent's wedding in Grand Rapids Monday.  
 Mrs. Stoll is spending a few days with her daughter and family, the Jim Thompsons.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Ergo of Royal Oak spent from Tuesday through Thursday with the Thompson family.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Richard Touchinski were Sunday dinner guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Miller. Miss Minerva Owens was a Wednesday guest.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Howard Jackson and Lynette and Bruce were Sunday evening callers at the Gerald Losey home. Allie Gross was a Monday morning caller.  
 Edwin Bierschbach of Detroit spent over Labor Day with the Joe Martin family. Sunday dinner guests were Mrs. Cora Shippee and Jane, Mrs. Alma Byron and Amy Byron. Mrs. Byron and Amy Byron were also weekend guests. Afternoon callers were Mark Cole, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Carroll and family, with Mr. and Mrs. Peter Lorenz evening callers. Mrs. Stanley Grewett and Mrs. Richard Grewett and family and Mrs. Norman Vanden Brooks and family, all of Detroit, were Sunday overnight guests.  
 Wednesday callers at the Sidney Lawrence home were Mr. and Mrs. George Bolinger and Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Kirvan. Mr. and Mrs. Ed Graber were Saturday dinner guests. Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence called on the Myrl Scotts Sunday.  
 Mrs. Margaret Denslow had all of her children and their families home for Sunday dinner: Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Denslow and family of Jackson, Mr. and Mrs. Keith Baker and children of Grand Rapids, Mr. and Mrs. Gary Denslow of Lansing, and Mr. and Mrs. Dean Denslow and family of Horr.  
 Mrs. Marjorie Peacock spent Monday and Tuesday with Mrs. Denslow. She took Mrs. Peacock home Tuesday evening, and spent the night with Mr. and Mrs. Gary Denslow. Wednesday she went to Grand Rapids, to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Keith Baker. Mrs. Baker and children came home with her for the rest of the week.  
 Mrs. Blanche Carr was a week ago Monday supper guests of Jessie Rosencrantz.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Losey and Jessie Rosencrantz called on their aunt, Mrs. Liza Losey, in Mt. Pleasant Thursday, to help her celebrate her 99th birthday.  
 Mrs. Margaret Denslow and Mrs. Ruby Williams of Clare enjoyed a two-day trip in the Upper Peninsula last week, going up the east coast and back by the west coast, to Traverse City and across to Grayling. They had a very enjoyable trip.  
 Mrs. Eva Denslow accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Miles Loubert to Kalamazoo Sunday. They picked

up Mrs. Nina Green in Grand Rapids and called to see Mrs. Carol Fletcher, Mrs. Denslow's great-granddaughter.  
 Mr. and Mrs. John Carr of Lansing came Monday to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Sterling Oplinger. Tuesday they all went to Manistee, coho salmon fishing. They caught two, weighing 11 1/2 pounds, and two weighing 10 pounds each. They returned home Friday.  
 Floyd Dutcher, Mrs. Minnie Strauch and Mrs. Janice Gordon and two children were Sunday evening callers at the Charlie Losey home.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Chuck Wilson and family and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Thompson and boys were Sunday dinner guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Thompson. Mrs. Betty Thompson's mother, Mrs. Stoll, was also a guest.  
 Friday supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Dean Denslow were her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Ehler, of Shepherd, her aunt and nephew from Minnesota, and Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Ehler of Iowa. Other callers during the week were Mr. and Mrs. Rutherford of Austin, Minn., and Mr. and Mrs. Tom Oberlieson of Chicago.  
 Mrs. Denslow will be hostess to the W. S. C. S. a week from Monday evening, and Extension a week from this Wednesday evening.  
 Several from this vicinity attended the funeral of Safford Terry at Barryton Monday afternoon.  
 Callers last week at the Howard Wood home were Harold Branson, Earl Runyan, and Blanche Carr. Sunday dinner guests were Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Bergquist and Bob. Sept. 5 was Ralph and Dorothea's 30th wedding anniversary. After 10 months, Dorothea is able to walk without a cane or crutch. Good news, Dorothea.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Frank Benn called on Mrs. Mildred Terry and Mr. and Mrs. Howard Wood Saturday afternoon.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Benn were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Benn of Shepherd.  
 A week ago Monday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Alva Cummins were Mr. and Mrs. Harry Thurber of Cowden Lake and Mr. and Mrs. Brantigan of Ohio. Mr. Thurber took them all to call on Mr. and Mrs. Mack Denslow. The Cummins met the Brantigans in Ruskin, Fla. Hattie Losey and Jessie Rosencrantz were Tuesday afternoon callers at the Cummins home. Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Lawrence were Tuesday evening guests.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Alva Cummins were Friday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Tracy White, and were treated to ice cream and muskmelon. Bill Cummins called on his folks Sunday.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Gray and family of Lansing were Sunday callers at the Howard Bywater home.

**Real Estate Transfers**

Alan Frederick Quick & Wife to Richard Kirchner & Wife, Lot 4 Riverside Estates Chippewa Twp.  
 James G. Brown & Wife to John C. Hepler & Wife, Lot 32, Hiawatha Hills Deerfield Twp.  
 Maurice E. John Jr. & Wife to Sue Wojack & Martha K., Lot 51, Greencrest Park Chippewa Twp.  
 Louis S. Schafer & Wife to Fred J. Dora & Wife, Lot 4, Blk. 5 William's Add. Village of Winn.  
 Floyd Whitman, Jr. & Wife to Robert L. Sigourney & Wife SE 1/4 SW 1/4 of Sec. 28 Broomfield Twp.  
 Carleton M. Fancher & Wife to David B. Keilitz & Wife, Lot 247 Pleasant View #3 City of Mt. Pleasant.  
 Joseph W. Grace & Wife to Carlton M. Fancher & Wife, S1/2 Lot 21 Pt. Lot 22 Southland Village of Shepherd.  
 Alva M. Dimit & Wife to John Swetz & Wife, Lot 37 Dimit's Sub. Union Twp.  
 Robert M. Chipman & Wife

to Larry R. Anderson & Wife et al, Lot 4, Blk. 2 Meadow Park Add. City of Mt. Pleasant.  
 Wielenga Bros. Builders to Rollin L. Fender & Wife, Lot 44, Broadway Acres City of Mt. Pleasant.  
 Harold James Thomson & Wife to Larry Thomson & Wife, Pt. SW 1/4 NW 1/4 of Sec. 24 Wise Twp.  
 Rosella Swetz to Ronald E. Graham & Wife, Pt. Lot 2,3 Greenfield Acres Union Twp.  
 Jack L. Crawford & Wife to Lillie Sawdy et al, Pt. S 1/2 NW 1/4 SW 1/4 of Sec. 31 Roland Twp.

**Local Items**  
 Mr. and Mrs. Roger Smith and sons of Flint spent the weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ted Smith, and Jim.  
 Mrs. Leah Scharrer cared for the children of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Straus of Flushing while their parents were vacationing across the Straits, over the weekend.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Richardson and children of Las Vegas were recent callers of Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Sprague, and at the home of Mrs. Leah Scharrer. The Richardsons left Weidman in 1947, after several years' residence in this village. He was a mechanic in the garage of George McClain, Jr., in Weidman.  
 Thanks for your subscriptions, folks, both new and renewals.

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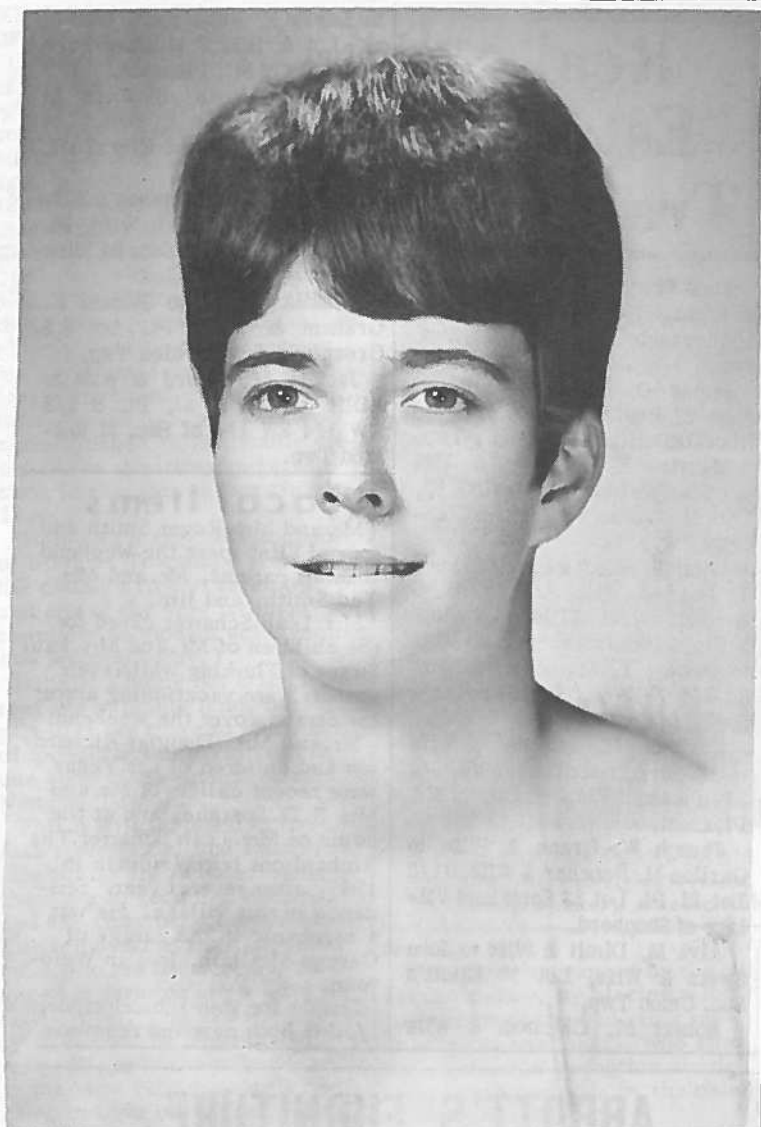
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MISS LINDA HART

ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED--Mr. and Mrs. Gaylord Hart of Route 1, Lake, announce the engagement of their daughter, Linda, to Lane Chapman, son of Mrs. Virginia Chapman, of Weidman, and Clarence Chapman of Shepherd.

Both Miss Hart and her fiancée are graduates of Weidman High School. The bride-elect is attending the Mt. Pleasant Beauty School, and is employed at the Yankee Store. Mr. Chapman is employed at the Oldsmobile in Lansing, and will enter the Navy in December.

No date has been set for the wedding.

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**Central Gilmore**  
Lola Fordyce, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Karthas and children of Wixom were visitors at the Don Seymour home Saturday. They also called on their aunt, Mrs. Frances Beck.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Silvers and family of Mt. Pleasant called at the Norman Buchel home Sunday. Anna went home with them and they brought her back Monday.

Mrs. Ray Jarman and Owen of Rosebush were Monday callers of Mrs. Verna Seymour and Elam.

The Messenger thanks all for the flood of sub. renewals.

**BEAL CITY KC HAS HUGE CROWD AT ANNUAL BARBECUE AND FESTIVAL**

An unusually huge crowd attended the annual Beal City Knights of Columbus chicken barbecue and festival Sunday at the KC Hall in Beal City.

Cecil Clare was general manager of the barbecue dinner and the entertainments, with plenty of helpers from the Beal City Knights of Columbus. The day was enjoyed by all attending, and the dinner was well organized and served.

The KC chicken barbecue and festival replaces the old Beal City Homecoming chicken dinners, patronized by people from all points of Isabella County and more distant places.

The present barbecued chicken dinner and festival appears to be as effective a crowd-getter.

Many came to Beal City in the spirit of homecoming, and visited with old friends, neighbors and relatives, from distant places.

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BETTER THAN A LETTER

**Two Rivers**

Blanche Carr, Reporter  
Mr. and Mrs. Blaine Stansell spent last week in the Upper Peninsula, at Detour and Caribou Lake. They visited Mr. and Mrs. Max Morgan while up there. Mr. and Mrs. Miles Reynolds of Nevins Lake were Monday guests of the Stansells. The Stansells spent Sunday at Bass Lake with their daughter and family, the Don Woodruffs.

Rena Hochrein was admitted to CMC Hospital in Mt. Pleasant Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Riggins and family of Midland were Saturday supper guests Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Aungst.

Mrs. Blanche Carr visited her mother, Mrs. Katie Trumble, in Greenville, Sunday and Monday. She spent Wednesday and Wednesday night with Mr. and Mrs. Norman Carr in Shepherd.

Mrs. Minnie Strauch and Floyd Dutcher were Saturday afternoon callers of Blanche Carr.

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**Local Items**

Ray Dutcher of Lyons came Sunday and is staying with his father, Floyd Dutcher.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Thomas and family of Maple Rapids spent Labor Day with the Howard Bywaters.

Mrs. Vada Carroll and Mrs. Emma Middlesworth were hostesses Thursday evening at a dinner honoring Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Middlesworth, who will leave soon

for their winter home in Florida. Also present were Mr. and Mrs. Richard Donley and family and Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Charnes and K. C.

Mrs. Bessie Teall has been on the sick list. Mr. and Mrs. Art Dent of Farwell were Sunday callers.

Mr. and Mrs. Clare Oberlin were Saturday supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Sprague.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas C. Brien and family of Berkley were Sunday guests of his mother, Mrs. Nina Forbes.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Morris of Findlay, O., spent over night Wednesday with Mrs. Vina Bailey. In the afternoon they all went to Gladwin and had supper with the Howard Baileys.

**DENTS ENJOY SALMON FISHING**

(Continued from Page 1)

on items such as knitting yarn, and such. Only bear lard is used there in cooking and baking, and Mrs. Dent said it is tasteless and odorless, and makes absolutely delicious edibles, especially pie crusts.

All around the Bellows home, while the Dents were visiting there, all able-bodied men were out on fire lines, as there were great forest fires all around.

The Bellowses are in their 80's, but are living a wonderfully active and satisfying life. Our best regards to them. And our thanks to Jerry and Mabel for toting the salmon gift to us.

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