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Editor's Column

By Connie

VOTE NO ON "PROPERTY TAX RELIEF" PROPOSAL

Joseph M. Grim of the Farwell News had an editorial last week that we think is worth spreading around.

He says, in part:

"There will be a proposal on the November ballot which has been called a 'property tax relief' measure. It is a wolf in sheep's clothing.

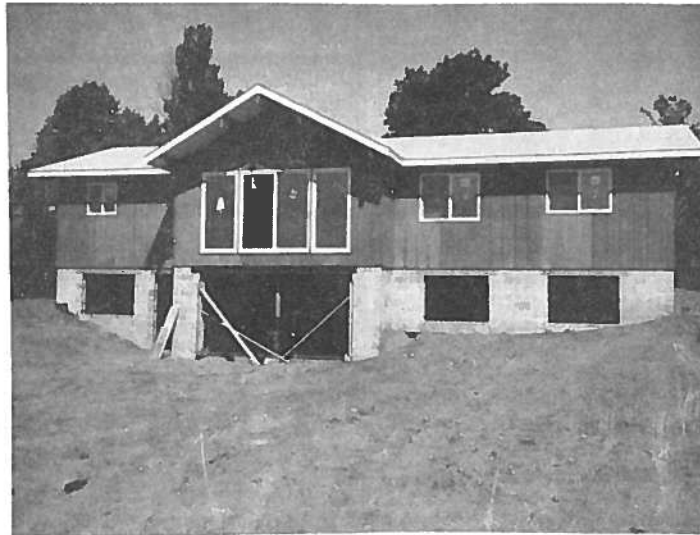
"The proposal was put on the ballot through gathering 300,000 signatures by the Michigan Education Association, with the blessing of Gov. Milliken.

"The proposal carries a thinly disguised property tax proposal which is cleverly designed to give you temporary relief while guaranteeing that in the end your property tax headache will return, even greater than it is now.....

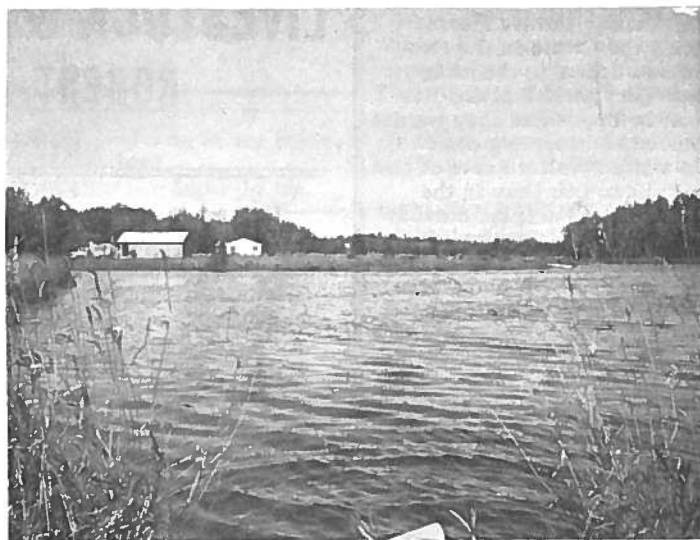
"Twice in recent years, voters of Michigan had decisively defeated proposals to give Michigan a 'graduated income tax', and the supporters of the original property tax relief measure wanted no part of forcing the homeowners of Michigan to accept such a proposal in order to rid themselves of an unjust tax. Neither did they want any part of the Governor's so-called 'education reform program'.

"Those who have carefully studied this proposal see in it so much that is bad and so little that is good that they are advising voters to reject both of these proposals. Better, they believe, to suffer the injustices of the present property tax for school purposes than accept a temporary relief, only to find that in the end property taxes for school purposes would be higher than at the present time. The joker is that the proposed 'millage' means nothing, because the State Tax Commission would merely increase the 'state equalized' assessment values. This process has been used all over the state to double the school tax on property in the past five or six years, and there is no end in sight.....

"The Governor's education reform program guarantees that the local boards of education will be stripped of all control and that the property taxpayer will no longer be able to veto high
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ACTION ON THE MILL POND--Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ptak of Royal Oak are building this beautiful bi-level home on a point on the northwest side of the Mill Pond. The lower level is of cement block, with the wood finish of stained mahogany siding. The family hopes to start living in the lovely home some time this year. Mr. Ptak and his son, Brian, are living on the site now, in a camper, as Brian is enrolled as a ninth-grader in the Chippewa Hills High School. Mrs. Ptak, a post office worker in Royal Oak, will come to stay permanently as soon as the Ptaks' house in Royal Oak is sold. Messenger photo



AND ON LAKE OF THE HILLS--Building. The above photo was taken from the Roe's Acres shoreline across the lake, and shows the large garage and workshop of the Douglas Dumonts of Mr. Pleasant, who plan to build a two-story permanent home there, on Lot 168, Plat No. 3, the largest lot on the lake. Their home will be 72 feet in length, with picture windows on the lake. They are doing the building work themselves. Also shown in the picture is the brand-new home of the Whites, who also plan to make Lake of the Hills their permanent home. Messenger photo

Mrs. Clyde Beutler attended the Brooks reunion in Lansing Sunday, at the home of Mr. and

Mrs. Harold Cotter. Twenty-seven family members were present.

LIGHTNING DESTROYS BARN ON OLD DILLON FARM

Lightning struck the big barn on the east side of the road at the old Dillon farm north of Weidman early Sunday morning.

The Nottawa and Sherman Volunteer Fire Department responded to a call at 12.45 a.m., but the barn was in flames and was reported a total loss.

Firemen concentrated their efforts at saving other buildings, including the house, as the wind was in the east and was blowing flames and cinders across the road.

The old Dillon place is now owned by Albert Albanelli of Southfield, Mich., and the family enjoy weekends up here.

They have restored and remodeled the house into a charming country place.

Thunder storms roamed over this area both Saturday and Sunday nights, with some heavy lightning.

One thunder roll early Monday morning during the various storms rattled windows in most houses in Weidman, according to reports, but no damage was reported.

Electric power was out in the Ojibwa Recreation Area and that portion of the county from Saturday night till some time Sunday morning.

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HONORED ON SILVER ANNIVERSARY

Mr. and Mrs. Carleton Johnson were guests of honor at a dinner observing their 25th wedding anniversary Sept. 6.

The dinner was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. David Smith, and was prepared by Judy Smith and Pat Johnson.

The anniversary couple's children presented them with an engraved silver tray, Corelle dishes, and a tackle box for fishing.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnson live in rural Remus and spend the winter months at their home in Ruskin, Fla.

Those present at the dinner included Mr. and Mrs. Roy Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. David Smith and Trudy, Kelley and Tammy; Mr. and Mrs. Rick Johnson, and Steve Johnson.

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Mr. and Mrs. Robert Carrick and son, Randy, of Lakeview, and Mr. and Mrs. Dan Carrick spent Thursday evening with Mrs. Ethel Wager in her new home in Weidman. Mrs. Minnie Rhode was a Monday caller.

Walker Creek News

Esther Stanley, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Otis Conley spent Tuesday and Wednesday at a private lake north of Farwell, where they were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Rodman. They caught a lot of nice perch.

Mr. and Mrs. Conley visited Mr. and Mrs. Leo Denslow Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Wilmot and Linda of Weidman were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Voss and Stacey. Mr. and Mrs. Steven Voss and Steven Jr. visited his parents Sunday afternoon. Mrs. Voss is babysitting for her son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Voss. Angela is now 10 months old, and is a lively youngster. Mrs. Stuart Voss is employed at a celery farm north of Weidman.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Schrock visited his mother, Mrs. Nella Schrock, and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Smith, at Riverdale, Sunday evening. They visited Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Schrock and Philip enroute home.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Langworthy and Dawn Marie visited Mr. and Mrs. Donald Zill and sons Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Middlesworth of Coldwater Lake visited Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Dillenbeck Saturday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Dillenbeck visited Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Dent Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Veryl Wright and Colin and Nolan of Flat Rock and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Scott of Lake visited Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Schrock and Philip Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Al Barker of Greenville visited Mr. and Mrs. Warren Leiter the previous Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Timothy Leiter of Mt. Pleasant visited his parents Thursday. Mr. and Mrs. Steven Voss and Steven, Jr., visited Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Denslow visited Mr. and Mrs. Keith Thompson Saturday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Craig Thompson and Jon Barry of Lansing were weekend guests of his parents. Mrs. Leona Courser and Mrs. Ella Cox of Two Rivers were Sunday dinner guests.

Rev. and Mrs. Marvin Eldridge took Mr. and Mrs. Howard Monroe to Mt. Pleasant Tuesday. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Miller of Remus visited the Monroes Thursday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Keith Loomis and daughters visited Mr. and Mrs. Burdette Reed and family Friday evening. Arthur Loomis visited his son and wife Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Denslow visited Mr. and Mrs. Otis Conley Friday evening. They called on her mother, Mrs. Mabel Cum-

mings, at Barryton Sunday.

Mrs. Eva Denslow visited Mrs. Harry Dosenberry Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Rivers of Holt and Mr. and Mrs. Guy Mead of Mulligan were visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Emmons and Eddie John the previous weekend. Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Wright were Thursday callers. Norman Miller called Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Fifer of Barryton visited them Sunday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Emmons and Eddie John visited Mr. and Mrs. Norman Miller of Clarkston, at their trailer home, Saturday evening. Keith Loomis called at the Emmons home Sunday.

Mrs. Clarence Ley and Mr. and Mrs. Larry De Voss and Regina and Marie of Conklin, and Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Gray and family of Lansing were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Gary Portenga and family. The occasion was to celebrate the birthdays of the Portengas' son, Kimberly, and Marie De Voss. Happy Birthday to both of you!

Mrs. Portenga reported her grandmother, Mrs. Lou Gray, had gone to Mt. Pleasant to visit Lou at the hospital Monday. His condition remains about the same, but some days improvement is still hopeful.

Mr. and Mrs. Ward Loomis visited Mr. and Mrs. Otto Skalitzky during the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Skalitzky did some shopping at Big Rapids Monday, later calling at the Ronald De Vries home. They also called on Mrs. Kate Darnell at Barryton.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Stanley spent Monday in Mt. Pleasant, visiting the Clinic in the forenoon and doctor in the afternoon. They visited at the Ray Elliott home, where they were luncheon and supper guests.

We visited Walter Faber at the hospital and Lou Gray in the Medical Care Facility. Rev. and Mrs. Russell Stanley, Jr., of Mt. Morris were Thursday dinner guests at our home.

We called on Mr. and Mrs. Robert Abendroth and Mrs. Arnold Stevens at Lake Windoga during the week, and also called on the Donald Stanleys in Weidman.

Mr. and Mrs. David Moore and family and Mr. and Mrs. Donald Pung and family except Darlene and Donna visited at our home Sunday evening, and were luncheon guests. Mr. and Mrs. Donald Stanley called Sunday evening.

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Mr. and Mrs. Bob Valentine of Midland and Mr. and Mrs. Emil Phillips spent Saturday in Ludington. Mr. and Mrs. Verne Grice of Sanford were Sunday supper and evening guests at the Phillips home. The party reported that peaches in the Ludington area are scarce and high priced, at \$7.50 per bushel at roadside stands.

NEWS NOTES

Floyd and Esther Ferguson of St. Louis were Sunday afternoon callers of Helen Smith and Ula Cummins. Mrs. Smith and Mrs. Cummins were Wednesday callers in Evert.

A baby shower was held at the home of Mrs. Thayne Sides hon-

oring Mrs. James Damitio, last Tuesday evening. The occasion was a combination get-acquainted and shower. Thirty-one ladies were in attendance. Yvonne Pitts was co-hostess with Phyllis.

The Damitios have purchased the Drzyzga property on Lake of the Hills, to make their home here.

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 Sept. 7t4p

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 Sept. 21tf

NEWS NOTES
 Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Horstman and Ruth Momany attended the funeral of Mr. Horstman's father, Leon Horstman, in Detroit last Thursday. Leon Horstman and his wife spent three years in the Weidman area, living near the Baptist Church on the Airline Road.



GEORGE WICKES
 Co-ordinator of the Lay Witness Mission to be held in the Weidman United Methodist Church Sept. 22-24 will be Geo. Wickes of Dayton, Indiana. He will be assisted by about 25 lay witnesses from scattered points in Michigan and Indiana.
 Mr. Wickes is a department head of power plant and plant services for Eli Lilly & Co. in Lafayette, Ind., where he has been employed 27 years.
 He and his wife, Eva, married 33 years, have raised four children of their own and three adopted Korean children, all except one Korean lad now being either married or self-supporting away from home.
 For the past two and a half years Mr. and Mrs. Wickes have been engaged in lay witness work, serving areas in Michigan, Illinois, Ohio, Kentucky and Indiana.
 After special training, Mr. Wickes has assumed the role of co-ordinator in these missions. Their time and travel expenses are all on a voluntary basis.
 Both are members of the Dayton United Methodist Church.

WEIDMAN BAPTIST CHURCH
 (1 mile west of Weidman.)
 Pastor: Marvin Eldridge, ph. 644-3504.
 Our Fall Missionary Conference will be Sept. 24-Oct. 1, 7.30 nightly. Here is the schedule:
 Sunday: Rev. Shoemaker, Japan; Monday-Wednesday, Jim Evans, Peru; Thursday, Rev. Dungy, Home Missions.
 No services Friday and Saturday. Sunday, Rev. Matthews, Brazil.

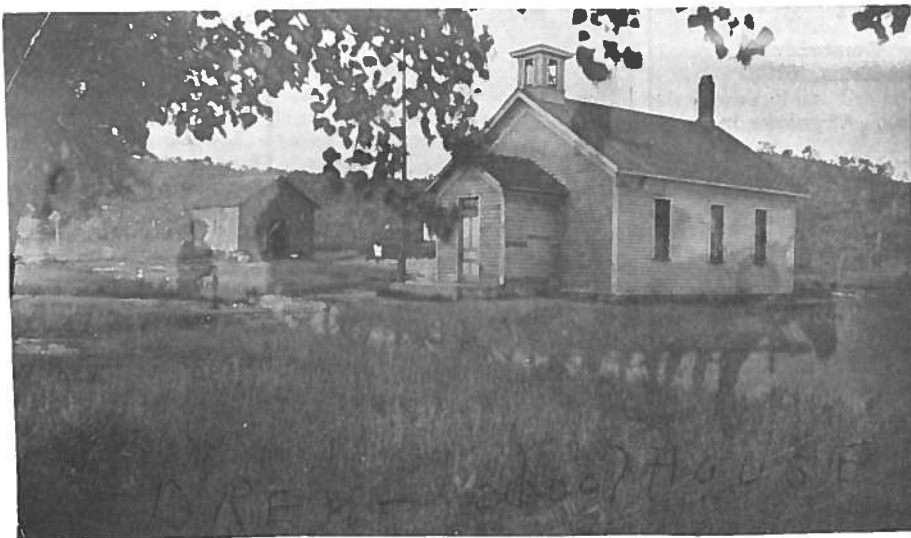
NEWS NOTES
 Jerry Horstman, Jr., suffered multiple fractures of his arm and a shattered wrist Friday morning when he attempted practice pole-vaulting at his home before starting for school. He wears a cast on the arm and hand.
 Mr. and Mrs. Alton Allen and Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Allen attended the funeral of Mrs. Alton Allen's mother, Mrs. Clara Green, of Wheeler, Monday afternoon. Mrs. Green passed away Friday

morning at the Osteopathic Hospital in Saginaw. She was 86 years old. Surviving are a daughter and son, and grandchildren, great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild.
 Lois Strong called on Ethel Bywater Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. Ida Bazaire is spending part of each day with Mrs. Bywater, and plans to stay with her through the winter.

Brinton News
 Frances Beck, Reporter
 We extend our sympathy to our Route 2 Lake mail carrier, Ruth Hawley, in the sudden death of her husband last Thursday.
 Mr. and Mrs. Veryl Wright and boys were weekend guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Wright.
 Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Fosberg and boys and Carl and Ellen Geasler spent Friday and Saturday in Canada, sight-seeing.
 Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Wright and family spent the weekend at their trailer in Brinton. They were Sunday dinner guests of her brother near Midland.

Lillie Maddox joined my Dad and me in a picnic dinner at the park in Ludington Sunday.
 Nora and Ellen Geasler, Marilyn Fosberg, Lillie Maddox and I attended the Merry Go Round Club at the Florence Badgley home at Littlefield Lake Thursday. The next meeting will be Oct. 12 with Ellen Geasler.
 Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Bowen were Sunday supper guests of their daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Fletcher. Mr. and Mrs. Daryl Haenke and boys were Saturday night guests of Lewis and Irene Bowen.
 Helen Strang and girls spent the weekend at their home at Petoskey, returning Sunday.

Real Estate Transfers
 Raymond W. Sebenick and wife to Gerold Higbee and wife, Lot 20, blk. 2, Grahams Add., Village of Rosebush.
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THE DREW SCHOOL HOUSE--When Edith (Merrihew) Neelands was among the pupils there. Mrs. Neelands took this photo with an old-fashioned camera, of course; and if you look closely you may see a double-exposure on the film, a shadowy glimpse of horses, a hay wagon, and apparently a man, in the foreground. The old photo is an invaluable relic.

THE TRICKY CRICKET

By Blanche Carr

I like to hear a cricket,
But I think I like him most
When he takes his little fiddle
To a far and distant coast.

I chase him all around the house
In the middle of the night.
He throws his voice, until at last
I get him in my sight.

I slap at him, but usually
He gets away from me,
And after lights are out again
He sits and laughs, "Tee hee!"

So I cover up my head
And pretend that he's not there,
And hope that he'll get tired at
last
And go back to his lair.

The poets laud this lowly bug,
But I don't think they know
The little tricks that he can play
To keep you on the go.

Cheryl Pitts returned home last week from Indiana, where she worked for an insurance company. Janet Pitts of Great Lakes Bible College was home for the weekend. The Pitts family attended dedication services at Great Lakes Bible College Sunday.

NEWS NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Fritz (Amy Williams) of Coldwater, Mich., were Sunday callers at the Gene McArthur home. Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Ferguson were with the

Fritzes, and all enjoyed a reunion of old friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Vern Crittenden of Remus were Sunday afternoon callers of Connie Skinner and Frances Tranbarger.

Weekend visitors of Helen Smith and Ula Cummins were Ed and Irene Bloom of Grand Ledge, Larry and Cheryl Cummins of Ithaca, Garth, Judy and Pam Lawrence of Laingsburg.

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Weidman Messenger

Beal City

Dora Smith, Reporter

The family of Walter Rau and the grandparents celebrated the third birthday of Brian Gould, at the Walter Rau home Sunday afternoon. Supper was enjoyed. Brian received some lovely gifts.

Mr. and Mrs. Vern Crittenden of Remus spent Sunday afternoon with Matie Pung and Louise Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Zeien and son, Jimmy, called on Louise Smith Wednesday afternoon. Mrs. Larry Rau and Sheila and Mrs. Walter Rau were Monday evening visitors. Gertrude Grodsky called on Mrs. Smith Friday evening, on her way to a party in Weidman.

Oscar Schafer built a new stairway on the Tony Schafer residence last week.

Mrs. Walter Schafer and Mrs. Charles Weinland and Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Schafer and children spent Thursday evening with Mrs. Tony Schafer.

The High School football team went to Ashley Friday night and won the game, 48 to 8.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Schafer and Louise Schafer took Douglas Schafer to Ann Arbor Friday for a checkup. His doctor says he is OK.

Mrs. Tony Schafer spent Sunday at the Oscar Schafer home near Winn.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Grinzinger entertained company from Detroit over the weekend.

Mrs. Louise Schafer spent the weekend in Mt. Pleasant.

Mrs. Gladys Cassidy and children of St. Johns spent Sunday with Mr. Wm. Martin.

A large number from here attended the celebration and chicken dinner at St. Henry's

Church in Rosebush Sunday.

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Coldwater Lake

Marge Schafer, Reporter

John and Sharon and daughter, Penny, of Bay City called at the Ed and Don Schafer homes here and the Jerry Schafer home in Mt. Pleasant Tuesday.

Wednesday I spent the day with Tillie Schafer, tying quilts.

Jerry and Jane Schafer and children of Mt. Pleasant visited here Wednesday evening.

Rick and Pam Klumpp called on the Don Schafer family Wednesday evening.

Judy Schafer and I attended a baby shower for Lynn Schafer Thursday evening at the Otto Greenwald home in Mt. Pleasant. The party was given by Kris Appelgreen and Marianne Swindlehurst.

Terry Klumpp has moved his trailer home on property owned by his father, Alfred Klumpp, just north of us on the Coldwater River.

Ed and I spent Saturday and Sunday in the Cadillac area. In places the leaves are beginning to show colors. There was a weather bulletin out, but it seemed there was more wind damage here than in that area. A tree was blown down here in our back yard. A windmill on the Ernest Garrett farm was blown over on an electric line.

Sunday evening visitors here were the John Schafers of Bay City and Milo and Ann Eldred of Blanchard.

Mrs. Vina Bailey returned Friday afternoon after visiting since Tuesday at the Howard Bailey residence in Gladwin.

(Too Late for Last Week)

Labor Day Leo and Lucille Schafer spent the afternoon with us. Leo and Ed caught enough fish for our supper.

Tuesday evening Ed and I visited Roy and Oneita Moss of Mt. Pleasant. They have a lovely home off Lincoln Road, on the Chippewa River.

Ed and Geraldine Zeneberg of Mt. Pleasant visited us Friday evening.

Heather Marie Schafer spent Friday evening with Grandpa and Grandma Schafer, while her parents, Don and Judy Schafer, spent the evening playing cards with Judy's brother and wife, the Richard Hayneses.

The Beal City Road at the intersection of Littlefield Road, just north of Coldwater Lake, was closed Friday and Saturday, and there were some who didn't hear the announcement on radio or read it in the Mt. Pleasant paper. The road was scheduled to be open this week Monday, and also the Nottawa Dump was scheduled to be open.

Ed's mother, Tillie Schafer, spent Sunday with us. We took her for a ride to see her grandson's new home, that of the Jerry Joe Schafers, which he is

building. We took her home after supper and spent the evening at her house playing cards.

Noreen Thelen was a Friday afternoon caller of Connie Skinner in Weidman.

We had a nice visit recently with Marvin Reed and family of Barryton and Saginaw.

We were shocked to hear of the death of a neighbor, Basil Towery. Our deepest sympathy to the family.

Peter Lorenz has been quite sick for the past week, but is better at this time.

Mrs. Earl Maeder has been quite ill for a week. The Maeders plan on returning to Florida as soon as she is able to travel.

Thursday afternoon Margaret and Andy Verwey called at the Lorenz home. Kate and Ray Martin called Saturday evening.

Sunday visitors at the Lorenz home were Max and Vera Straus and girls, Lou Theisen and girls, the Ron Lorenz family, and Paul and Rose Simmer and girls.

The Jack Lorenz family of Rothbury were recent visitors at the Lorenz home.

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BEAL CITY SENIOR CITIZENS PARTY HAS 12 TABLES IN PLAY

We had a lovely day and a good crowd of 12 tables at our recent Senior Citizens party at the KC Hall in Beal City last week.

First prize for the ladies was won by Minnie Schafer, with second prize won by Rose Hauck.

First prize for the men was won by Jack Cotter, with second to Will Faber.

Pepper prize was won by Albina Rau, and the door prize by Cecilia Simmer.

The next party will be Sept. 28. Everyone welcome.

Rose Grinzinger
Reporter

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North Weidman

Elvah Gott, Reporter

Jo Latham of near Mt. Pleasant spent the weekend with her grandmother, Mrs. Laura Latham.

Mr. and Mrs. John Wood of Gilmore called on his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Olger, and had cake and ice cream, Saturday evening. He went into Army service Monday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Theisen of Mt. Pleasant called on the Olgers Saturday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Carl Williams were Sunday callers.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Gott of Winn visited Mr. and Mrs. John Gott last week. Helen Alwood called Sunday. Cathy had dinner with them Sunday. Ruth Riegle and friend, Dennis, called Thursday evening and again Saturday. John Gott spent Thursday afternoon with Dick Gott.

Mr. and Mrs. Micky Abbott went to a furniture show at Grand Rapids Wednesday evening.

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Born to Mr. and Mrs. Gary McArthur, a son, Jeffrey Lynn, at CMC Hospital Sept. 16. The young man weighed in at eight pounds, one ounce. He has a small sister, two-year-old Lisa, at home.

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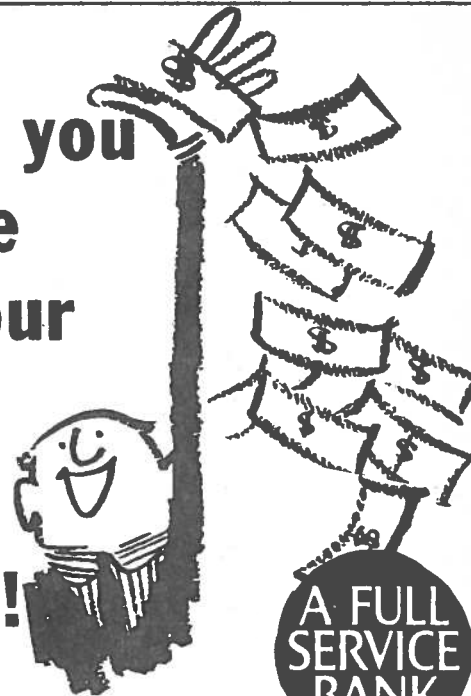
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Oma Archey.	Chas. Losey.	Augusta Harrington.
Curtis Benn.	Lizzie Amy.	Lulu Hicks.
Frank Benn.	Verne Amy.	Hazel Slocum.
Mary Benn.	Glen Amy.	Sophonra Slocum.

MABEL MURTHA, Teacher.

THE ABOVE VALUABLE RELIC OF OLD TIMES--Was sent the Messenger by Mrs. Edith Neelands of Pontiac. The Drew area southwest of Weidman was settled and farmed before John S. Weidman came here. Woodin's Mill operated in that area, and there was a school, a store, and a post office.

In 1884 there were six school districts in Sherman Township. A total of 139 pupils attended school in the township.

Henry Woodin came to Saginaw in 1853, where he stayed 16 years. Then he came on to Sherman Township, in 1869, and took up land, 1,050 acres of it, along the Chippewa River, where he built a sawmill. In the 1884 edition of Isabella County history Henry Woodin had 120 acres of wheat, a huge planting for that period. He had 200 acres in fruit. He had good farm buildings, according to the 1884 history of the county.

The Woodin land holdings are still impressive, and their history is part of the township's heritage.

Notice

GARAGE SALE--Clothing, toys, dishes and miscellaneous items. Second house south from Drew Road, on Rolland Road. Sept. 21st

S. W. Sherman

Goldie Dutcher, Reporter

The Ervin Dutchers, Sr., called on the Ervin Dutchers, Jr., Sunday afternoon. Then they visited Bob and Minnie Hines. It was Minnie's birthday.

Monroe Beckwith of Otisville stayed over night Wednesday with the Ervin Dutchers. He called on the Clayton Dutchers.

Edna Merrihew and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher and Mary Beutler attended Busy Bees at the home of Margaret Denslow Thursday afternoon.

Rev. and Mrs. Russell Stanley called on her folks, the George Merrihews, Thursday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Merrihew visited Mr. and Mrs. Frank Maxon Tuesday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. George Merrihew went with Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Chaffee and visited the Theodore Merrihews of Birch Lake and the Don Merrihew family of Leaton, Sunday afternoon and evening.

Mrs. Ronna Dutcher and Rob-

ert and Rex and David Dutcher were Sunday callers of the Clayton Dutchers. Grace Fitzgerald visited Daisy

Fountain and the James Taylors of Mecosta Monday.

Erma Wachter of Paris and Frances May of Mecosta were Thursday visitors of Grace Fitzgerald.

The Chum Methners and Fonda and Rusty Alwood were Sunday morning callers of the Dutchers.

Kim and Shelly Dutcher spent Saturday over night with the Methners.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Dutcher and girls had Sunday dinner with her folks, the Stan Roomsburgs.

Kim Dutcher spent all day Friday in CMC Hospital for observation.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Fitzgerald were in Lansing on business Friday.

Florence Fitzgerald spent a week at home with her folks, the Carl Fitzgeralds. On Sept. 7 she went to Orlando, Florida, where she is in Seaman Recruit training.

Mrs. Barbara Dutcher and Patti went with her folks, the Theodore Cases, Sunday to visit the Joe Cole family of Alma.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Dutcher visited the Ervin Dutcher family Tuesday evening.

The Robert Dutcher family of Midland spent Saturday and Sunday with the Garry Dutchers.

The Lake Isabella Corp. has leased the big Pennington Ranch and purchased its horses, and is running a riding stable there.

Weidman Messenger

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Blanche Carr, Reporter

Mrs. Nettie Meissner and Mrs. Myrtle Johnson of Detroit were Tuesday dinner guests of Mrs. E. R. Rhode and Harold. Mrs. Jeanne Smith of Weidman called on Mrs. Rhode Tuesday.

The Broomfield Lutheran Church celebrated its annual Mission Festival Sunday, Sept. 17. Dinner was served at the church following the services.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Hayes and Mr. and Mrs. Earl Strahle of St. Johns were Tuesday dinner guests of Mrs. Blanche Carr. They all went to the funeral of Mrs. Carrie Ryckman at the Ferris Center Church. Mrs. Ida Bond and Mrs. Bertha Allen of Midland brought their cousin, Blanche Carr, home from the funeral.

Elton Simmer was a Friday overnight guest of his grandmother, Blanche Carr. Mrs. Ruth Simmer called and took him home Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Ferguson of St. Louis and Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Fritz of Quincy, Mrs. Janet Clare and baby and Pamela Simmer visited Mrs. Carr Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Sharp and Mrs. Barbara Crowley were Friday guests of Mrs. Nettie Crowley and Jay Leinaar.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Courser and Mr. and Mrs. Tom Courser attended a wedding shower for Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Bush of Blanchard.

Mrs. Mary Courser and Cindy, Katie and Brian went to a baby shower for Mrs. Nancy Foster at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Duane Larson, Sunday.

Mrs. Leona Courser was a Sunday dinner guest of Mr. and Mrs. Keith Thompson and Rodney. Mrs. Ella Cox was also a guest.

The CMB Club scheduled at Mrs. Ella Cox's home was postponed till Thursday of this week on account of the funeral of Mrs. Cox's sister-in-law.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Flaughner have just returned from an eight-day trip in the West. They visited Mount Rushmore, the Black Hills, and the Badlands, and other points of interest. Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Flaughner and children spent Sunday evening with their folks. Ray's family visited the Richard Flaughner family Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Thompson of Hersey, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Nichols and Mrs. Agnes Larson were Saturday guests of the Chris Larsons.

The children of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Hines and their families and Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher came and spent Sunday with them, to celebrate Minnie's 73rd birthday anniversary. Many Happy More, Minnie!

Marion Grewett called on Mrs. Kate Martin and Ray Saturday.

House guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Lieder are Mr. and Mrs. Harold Lieder, Mrs. Ida Wagner,

Mr. and Mrs. William Lough and Mrs. Dorothy Hansen, all of the Detroit area. Mr. and Mrs. Jack Lieder were Wednesday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Bartholomew of Blanchard.

Mr. and Mrs. Orves Cook spent Sunday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Carl Cook.

Mrs. Mary Jacobs of George Lake visited Mrs. Kate Martin Friday afternoon.

Mrs. Kate Martin went with Mr. and Mrs. John Schupbach to the dinner and bazaar at St. Henry's Catholic Church at Rosebush Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. George Herdlein were Sunday evening guests of the Martins.

Mr. and Mrs. Lachlan MacGregor and children of Millford spent Sunday at the Charles Garrett home. Terry Leiter, Jr., is staying a few days with his grandparents.

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Around Horr

Jessie Rosencrantz, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Pat Dillenbeck were Sunday evening callers at the Gerald Dent home. Gerald and Mabel called on the Bob Kirvans Sunday. Mabel Dent and Linda Krueger called on the Darrell Kirvans Saturday evening. Wayne Woodbury of Lansing was a Thursday evening caller at the Dent home.

Mr. and Mrs. Dent accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Miller to Ann Arbor Tuesday and stopped in Lansing and called on the Chuck Roberts and Harry Dent families.

Mrs. Opal Denslow enjoyed Sunday dinner at Coldwater Lake.

Mr. and Mrs. Oral Bunting were Wednesday evening guests of the Sterling Oplingers.

Mr. and Mrs. John Graber of Lansing called on Mrs. Nettie Lawrence Thursday evening, on their way to their cottage on Grey Lake. Mrs. Lawrence spent Saturday with them at the lake.

Garth Lawrence and Pam were Friday supper guests of his mother. They were Sunday dinner guests.

Mrs. Margaret Denslow and Mrs. Celia Backus went to Flint Sunday to see their brother, Geo. Peacock, who is a patient in Hurley Hospital, suffering from a slight stroke. They found him slightly improved. Mr. Peacock is 74 years old, and has been in poor health for several years.

Nineteen ladies attended Busy Bees at Mrs. Denslow's last Thursday.

Monroe Beckwith and Floyd Dutcher were Wednesday supper guests at the Charlie Losey home. Monroe brought a nice mess of fish. Tunis Streng of Marysville, O., came Thursday at 4 p. m. and is spending some time here. Mr. and Mrs. Alva Cummins came over to see him Friday, and were also supper guests. Harold Losey was a Saturday caller. The Harold Loseys are Grandpa and Grandma to a six-pound,

nine-ounce baby boy, born to Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Lorenz Sept. 13.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hardenburgh were Wednesday evening callers at the Joe Martin home. The Martins were Sunday dinner guests of their son, Greg, and family, honoring Greg on his birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Bergquist were Sunday dinner guests of Mrs. Flora Wood. In the afternoon they called on the Wilbur Wrights. Mrs. Wood attended Busy Bees at Mrs. Margaret Denslow's Thursday afternoon.

Mrs. Betty Thompson attended Busy Bees also. Mrs. Thompson will be hostess to the club Oct. 12.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Cummins of Ithaca were late Saturday and Sunday guests of his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Alva Cummins. Mr. and Mrs. Tracy White

joined them for Sunday dinner.

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NEWS NOTES

Visitors of Mrs. Emily Wood last week included Flora Wood, Ethel Clouse of Remus, Mrs. Bernice Docat of Massachusetts, Mr. and Mrs. Mack Denslow, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Dent, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Kirvan of Remus, Neva Kirvan of Traverse City, and Mrs. Fred Bower and children of Midland; also Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Fritz of Quincy and Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Ferguson of St. Louis, and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Kirvan of Barryton.

Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Embrey hosted a surprise birthday party for their son, Brian, for his 10th anniversary, at Mitchell Memorial Park. Seven boy friends enjoyed cake and soft drinks, and football and baseball, Saturday afternoon.

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Editor's Column

By Connie

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increases in his levies at the polls but will be at the complete mercy of a state educational bureaucracy, completely under domination by the Governor.

"Before you decide that perhaps you can 'snatch the bait' without getting caught in this trap, better take a closer look and you will see that there are 'hooks' concealed so cleverly that you will be caught fast, before you know what has happened to you.

"In fact, a 'NO' vote seems to be in order on most if not all of the offerings being presented to you Nov. 7. There is a good rule, 'When you're not sure, vote No'. Certainly, these two proposals advocated by the MEA and the Governor should be defeated, and decisively."

THIS WEEK'S JOKE

Gene Taylor, comedian, says: "I recently worked a town in Alabama where, at the airport, they had a control tower operator who was very casual. He came on and said, "Flight 302, you may now land on runway 4. Flight 283, you may now take off on runway 4." Our pilot came on and said, "Wait a minute, you just told us to land where they're going to take off!" The controller came back on and said, "Yeah, you all be careful, now, ya hear?"

BUSY BEES MEET AT HOME OF MRS. DENSLOW

The Drew Busy Bees met Sept. 14 at the home of Margaret Denslow. Betty Thompson the club's president, presided.

Several get-well and condolence cards were signed by the members.

Mrs. Kenneth Baker was one of the guests. Mrs. Baker receives the Reader's Digest on records, and told an interesting story about it.

Mrs. Baker and Mrs. Celia Backus and daughter of Evert and Mrs. Lois Strong were guests of the group.

A buffet luncheon was served to 17 members and guests. A very pleasant afternoon was spent in Mrs. Denslow's home, which was lovely with fall flowers from her garden.

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West Gilmore

Lena Cole, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. John Balint and girls, Amy and Marie, returned to their home in South Bend, Ind., after a week's vacation at her parents' cabin.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ganser and girls, Jackie, Mary and Jennifer, and his mother, Mrs. Joe Ganser, Sr., spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Richard Mahon. The Gansers and girls were dinner guests of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Cole, and Velma, Saturday. The Balints spent Saturday night with her grandparents, the Coles.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Geasler and son-in-law and daughter,

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Worth, and Mike, spent the weekend camping at Big Manistee.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ganser and girls and Mrs. Ganser, Sr., and Lena Cole called on Mrs. Ganser's uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Merchant, at Harrison, Saturday.

John Hauck and son-in-law and grandson of Galien spent the weekend at their cabin. Mr. Hauck brought Yours Truly a nice bunch of grapes and a nice bushel of tomatoes.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Geasler and boys spent Sunday at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Cornell, at Gladwin.

Mrs. Geasler was one of the honored guests at a lovely birthday party for those of the family having birthdays in September.

Tom Cole enjoyed the weekend at St. Ignace.

Mrs. Beulah Wixson and sister, Miss Ruth Border, called on Velma Cole Wednesday evening.

The barn on the Dillon place burned Saturday night.

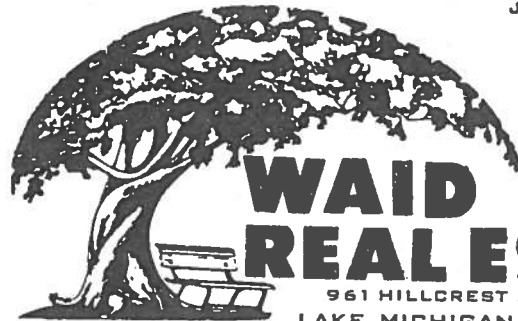
The Paul Coles called on her sister, Mrs. Wm. Samson, and Patty, and her brother, William Wixson, Wednesday evening.

That Little Miss Lague who was born in a car has been named Audrey Jean.

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Mr. and Mrs. Richard Touchinski and two children and Mrs. Edith Touchinsky went to Manistee to visit Dick's aunt, Mary Kolanowski, last Tuesday. They went also to Grant, where they visited Mr. and Mrs. Roy Kasterling. Mabel Bingham of Marquette went with them to Grant, where she stayed.

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MR. AND MRS. ROBERT HINES--Will observe their Golden Wedding anniversary this next Sunday, Sept. 24, with Open House at the Remus Town Hall from 1 to 5 p. m. The event is hosted by their children. All their relatives and friends are cordially invited to attend.

NEWS NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. Gary Sprague and Mr. and Mrs. Harlan Sprague of Mt. Pleasant enjoyed the chicken dinner at St. Henry's Church at Rosebush Sunday.

Bert and Mabel Chaffee of Grand Rapids were Saturday call-

ers of Connie Skinner. They also visited her father, John Sheldon, while in town.

Mr. and Mrs. Douglas McArthur and son visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Garrett and Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell McArthur, Sunday.