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Editor's Column

By Connie

DON'T "DROP OFF" CATS AND DOGS

It's against the law to "drop off" unwanted cats and dogs. If the dropper-offer gets caught at it, there's a real nice heavy penalty.

Folks from down-state, we're told, as well as some local people, are quite prone to take unwanted pets or animals in cars and drive to some "likely spot" where they shove the hapless things out of cars and drive one, usually at night.

Communities such as Brinton and Weidman are plagued with this practice, and some folks are mad enough to throw the book at offenders if they catch them.

Another look at it is this: Dogs "dropped off" in rural areas become hungry, and they may (and do) take refuge in abandoned barns or sheds and hunt their food at night.

Such as sheep and other small animals. . . .

PLAN TO ATTEND SPECIAL MEETING SEPT. 13

Taxpayers of Sherman Township who are interested in the spending of township tax money should attend a special public meeting scheduled for Thursday evening, Sept. 13, beginning at 8 o'clock in the Sherman Township Hall.

Lake Isabella again is asking the township to take on the job of policing its restrictions on its private-enterprise properties.

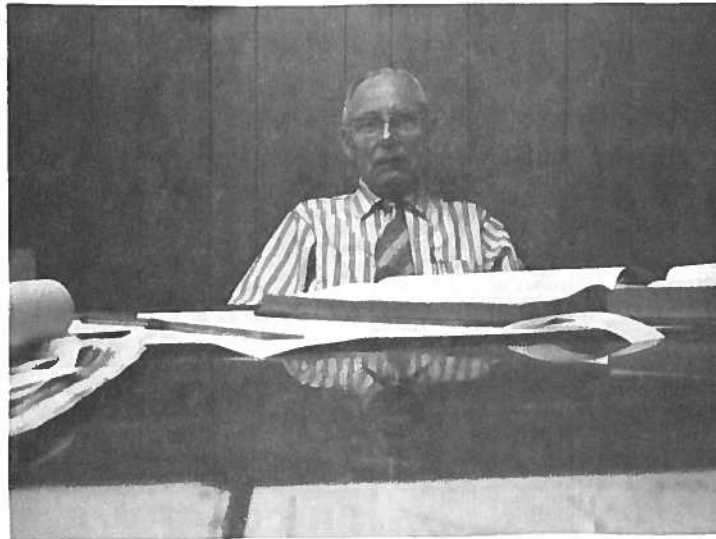
We personally believe that the township board deals with public affairs, dishing out public money. We believe that any private enterprise is, or should be, excluded from the advantageous interest of a public body such as the township board.

Any and all who will attend will be heard at the meeting.

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NEWS NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene McArthur and Richard and Mr. and Mrs. Larry Spence spent Saturday at Sault Ste. Marie, viewing the Mackinac Bridge and other sights.



LEON G. McARTHUR

WEIDMAN'S BEST-LOVED CITIZEN PASSES ON--Leon McArthur died Monday, Sept. 4, at 2.30 p. m. in CMC Hospital, after a long illness. He had been hospitalized for some time. He was probably the best-loved and most widely known citizen the Weidman area has ever had. The above photo was taken about a year ago on completion of remodeling of the McArthur Insurance Agency's offices here, owned and operated by Leon's son-in-law and daughter, Bernard and Yvonne Pitts. We think our picture of Leon was symbolic of his lifetime service in Weidman: Surrounded by necessary bookwork and dedicated to helping Weidman and its people to the fullest extent of his large capability.

Leon had suffered heart trouble for many years, but determinedly kept at his work, at the bank, at his insurance business, engrossed in work for the Weidman United Methodist Church, of which he and his late wife, Gladys, were life members and generous contributors to church work.

Gladys died eight years ago, March 15, 1965; and Leon since has lived in the home they loved and rebuilt. Both had been Methodist Church members since 1912.

Leon was probably our oldest Weidman citizen, having come here before 1915 when he started work at the Holmes Milling Co. elevator as a mill hand, which he worked at for two winters. Summers he worked at the Weidman Lumber Yard, then owned by Holmes Milling Company and Floyd Mitchell. Leon worked at selling the mill's products, helping build needed things for the mill, unloading and scaling lumber, and helping make cement blocks.

June 6, 1915, he was united in

marriage to Gladys Carr, daughter of Asa and Anna Car. Asa was the railroad's foreman on the tracks.

He moved from laboring work at the mill to bookkeeping, both for the bank and Holmes Milling Company during Floyd Mitchell's lifetime here; to assistant cashier at the bank to cashier, and finally president of the bank.

Through all his years of work and service here, Leon McArthur helped folks more than was generally known. He loved his fellow man, and his life was devoted to that tenet, and the tenets of his church.

He retired in July, 1970, upon the merger of the Weidman State Bank with the Isabella Bank and Trust, after more than 50 years' service with the bank. He was president of the bank at the time of his retirement.

He leaves five children: Gerald L. of Wixom, Mich., Stuart C. of Alexandria, Virginia, Mitchell L. of Weidman, Leon Junior McArthur of Brighton, and Yvonne Pitts of Weidman; and

THE STATUE CAME BACK TO THE FOX FRONT PORCH Mrs. Wayne Fox advised us this week that the family have retrieved their prized statue of a little black boy which stood on their front steps.

"Two little boys came," Mrs. Fox told the Messenger, "and said they knew where it was. It had been dropped into a well pit between two house trailers owned by J. P. Bishop on the south side of town."

The statue was not damaged, Mrs. Fox said. If anyone knows how it got in the well pit, he's not talking, Mrs. Fox observed.

The same night (or early morning) that the Fox yard was littered with toilet paper, the yard at Tracy Bywater's home was likewise strewn. No progress has been reported as to determining identity of the perpetrators.

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RECORD HEAT WAVE STAYED OVER MICHIGAN

A heat wave of record proportion and duration settled over Michigan beginning Sunday, Aug. 26, and continuing undiminished all last week and the first half of this week.

At Weidman we've been dry as a bone. Thunder showers have risen and slid off to the north or south of us, and our area has had no rain for about two weeks, an unheard-of drouth for this time of year.

After 11 straight days and nights of sticky heat (in the 90s), the weatherman relented Tuesday with cool breezes, sprinkles of rain and promise of thunder showers.

17 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

His body has lain in state at the Daggett Funeral Home in Barryton since Tuesday evening.

The family requested that gifts of money be made to the Leon McArthur Memorial Fund of the Weidman United Methodist Church in lieu of flowers.

Funeral services were scheduled for 2 o'clock Thursday afternoon in the Weidman United Methodist Church, with Rev. Arlo Vandlen of Dowagiac officiating and Rev. Athel Lynch as resident pastor. Interment will be in Fairview Cemetery at Weidman, in the family plot.

The Weidman area mourns with the family, and offers sympathy.

Around Horr

Jessie Rosencrantz, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Oplinger spent Sunday in Lake City with their cousins, the John Carrs.

Mrs. Jeanne Metcalf and son, Dennis, and Mrs. Opal Denslow spent Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. Flora Wood, Phyllis Wood was a Thursday caller. Mr. and Mrs. Harold Weeks of Washington, Mich., were Friday callers. Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Bergquist of Mt. Pleasant were Saturday evening guests. Jess Weeks and some friends spent the weekend here at his trailer.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Hunt are spending some time here at their trailer across the road from Flora Wood's.

Carl and Ellen Geasler spent Sunday with the Paul Millers.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Denslow and daughter were Sunday afternoon guests of Mrs. Eva Denslow.

Mrs. Joyce Chaffee, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Denslow and family and some other grandchildren spent Sunday at the Mack Denslow home.

We did not enjoy the weather.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Ergo and son, Dennis, of Royal Oak spent the weekend with the Jim Thompson family. Tim Workman was a Friday and Saturday evening caller at the Thompson home.

Mr. and Mrs. Thompson attended the funeral of her cousin in Grand Ledge last Monday afternoon.

Mrs. Lois Losey, Mrs. Shari Lorenz and son, Danny, and Shari's lady friend were Tuesday callers of the Charlie Loseys.

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Chapman and Chad and Patti, Gary and Beth Losey and Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Losey enjoyed a picnic dinner Sunday under our maple tree. Other callers were Mr. and Mrs. Theron Merrihew, Mrs. Marlene Tiedeman and two daughters, Christie and Cheryl, and Mr. and Mrs. Don Merrihew and Greg and Brenda, and Mr. and Mrs. Gale Merrihew. Marlene took Hattie some tomatoes, some peaches, and some peppers out of her garden.

Mr. and Mrs. Gale Merrihew were Sunday dinner guests at the Elwood Miller home.

Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Touchinski of Marquette and Mr. and Mrs. Dick Touchinski and daughters were Saturday evening guests at the Miller home.

The Elwood Millers called on her uncle, Roy Huffman, Tuesday evening.

Mrs. Nettie Lawrence called on her brother and wife, the Ed Grabers, Wednesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Alva Cummins called on their son, Bill, this Monday morning.

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BETTER THAN A LETTER

West Gilmore

Lena Cole, Reporter

The honeymooners, Mr. and Mrs. William Ewing, returned to the home of their grandparents, the Paul Coles, Saturday, after a tour of Northern Michigan the past week. They returned to their home in Vassar Sunday. Tuesday they left for Arlington, Virginia, where he is stationed, as Sp/4 in the U. S. Army.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Mahon and girls were supper guests of the Joe Gansers Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Ganser were supper guests of the Mahons Saturday evening.

The Gansers are vacationing at the cabin owned by their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Mossell.

Saturday dinner guests of the Paul Coles were their grandchildren, Mr. and Mrs. William Ewing and Mr. and Mrs. John Mossell and brother, Dick, of South Bend, Ind., and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ganser and three girls.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Cole have been spending a few days at their farm.

Lena Cole had more surgery on her left eye Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. William Cole of Midland were supper guests of their uncle and aunt, the Paul Coles, Friday evening.

William Cole called on his cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Cole, Friday.

Tony Masachuk enjoyed the long weekend at his farm.

Paul Cole had more minor surgery Tuesday at CMC Hospital.

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Local Items

The Mary Clark family held a get-together Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Royal Harrison and family at Breckenridge. A pot-luck dinner and visiting were enjoyed. The Dennis Embrey family attended from here.

Stuart McArthur of Alexandria, Virginia, has been spending this week here, visiting relatives and his father, Leon McArthur, at CMC Hospital. He is staying at the Mitchell McArthur home.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Embrey and Mrs. Florence Maxon called on their brother, George Darnell, and family, at Nevins Lake Sunday. They called on Bessie Price in Mt. Pleasant in the evening.

Mrs. Harvey Brien of Ithaca was a Sunday dinner guest of Mrs. Nina Forbes. In the afternoon they called at the Robert Holt home in Mt. Pleasant, and were supper guests.

Mrs. Ethel Wager was a Sunday evening guest at a steak cookout with the James Carrick family.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Touchinski and girls enjoyed a visit with George Miller at his cottage on Gray Lake Sunday afternoon. They visited Mr. and Mrs. Ed Owens on their way.

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BETTER THAN A LETTER

Notice

A public meeting will be held next Thursday evening, Sept. 13, at 8 p.m. at the Sherman Township Hall for the purpose of discussion of zoning ordinance changes.

Residents of the township may bring up any issues pertaining to zoning laws or any changes in zoning laws they may desire.

Signed:

Thayne Sides, Chairman
Sherman Township
Zoning Committee
Sept. 6t2

Card of Thanks

I want to express my heartfelt appreciation to all members of my family for their devoted help in my illness;

Also friends for gifts and cards, and those who called on me at the hospital, and since I came home.

A special thanks to the Wayne Foxes, who took me to the doctor and then on to the hospital and waited there till my family arrived to admit me.

Everybody has been so good. God bless you all.

Emily Wood

Obituary

ROY F. PUTNAM

Roy Putnam of Farwell died Friday morning, Aug. 24, at the Clare Osteopathic Hospital after a lingering illness. He was 76.

He was born May 27, 1897, at Leota, Mich., and was a retired Buick Motors employee, and a Naval veteran of World War I.

Dec. 25, 1919, he was united in marriage to Dorothea Wood in Gilmore Township.

Surviving are his widow, two sons, Robert of Burt and Perry of Farwell; one daughter, Mrs. Thelma Spears of Flint; and 11 grandchildren and 18 great-grandchildren; also two sisters, Mrs. Ethel Clement of St. Paul,

Minn., and Mrs. Alma Welch of Deleno, Minn.; and other relatives, and many friends. One son preceded him in death.

Funeral services were held Sunday, Aug. 26, from the Coker Funeral Home in Farwell with George Getchel officiating. Burial was in the Gilmore Cemetery. ---0---

Obituary

TREASA JOY ALWOOD

Treasa Joy Alwood drowned in a swimming pool at 5.30 p.m. last Wednesday afternoon, at the home of her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Forrest, in Breckenridge. She was four years old, and was beginning her first year in school.

The accident occurred when Treasa fell off a raft, with the family and relatives present but unable to save her. She had suffered a heart condition during her short life.

She was born Oct. 27, 1968, and was starting in the Lutheran School in Hemlock.

Surviving are her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Alwood, and a brother, Troy, three years old; Her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Alwood of Weidman, and Mr. and Mrs. Harri's Brown of Lake; her great-grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Phenix, and great-grandmother, Mrs. Hermione Smith, and great-grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Brown of Big Rapids; and many other relatives, and a host of friends.

Funeral services were held Saturday at 1 p.m. from the Lutheran Church in Hemlock, with burial in the Lutheran Cemetery there.

Her parents recently bought a home in Hemlock. They and other relatives have the deep sympathy of their many friends. ---0---

Obituary

MRS. LaRILLA VanBUSKIRK

LaRilla VanBuskirk of Farwell died suddenly Monday morning, Aug. 27, at her home. She was 79. She was born March 30, 1894, in Farwell, daughter of Leonard and Ida Brasington Clark.

She was united in marriage to Gabe VanBuskirk Dec. 10, 1913, in Gilmore Township, where she spent her life.

Surviving are her husband and six sons, Percy, Bernard, Leonard and Murle, all of Farwell; and Gerald of Rosebush and Chester of Vestaburg; two daughters, Mrs. Ella Strauss of Kenai, Alaska, and Mrs. Agnes Colomus of Saginaw, and 32 grandchildren and 40 great-grandchildren, and

other relatives, and friends.

Funeral services were held Thursday, Aug. 30, from the Coker Funeral Home in Farwell with C. Hiram Gates officiating. Burial was in the Gilmore Cemetery. ---0---

Obituary

LOU GRAY

Lou Gray died at his home in Coldwater Township early Tuesday morning, Sept. 4, after an illness of 14 months.

He was 72 years old. He was born March 24, 1901, in Howell, Mich., and came to Coldwater Township at the age of one and a half years, when his parents bought a farm there. He had lived on the place all his life.

He was a retired construction worker, and raised his family on the old home farm.

Surviving are his wife, Eva; five children, Virgil of Hemmet, Calif., Maxel of Midland, Emma Ley of White Cloud, and Duane and Loren of Mt. Pleasant. Also 19 grandchildren and 19 great-grandchildren, and a host of friends.

Funeral services were scheduled for Friday, Sept. 7, at 2 p.m. from the Daggett Funeral Home in Barryton, with Rev. Marvin Eldridge officiating. Interment will be in the Sherman City Cemetery.

The family have the sympathy of all. ---0---

Two Rivers

Blanche Carr, Reporter

Carl Cook had surgery Monday and is a patient in a Saginaw hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Lieder and Mr. and Mrs. Herman Lueder spent Friday in Grand Rapids.

Blanche Carr was still away this week, at the home of her son at Merrill. Hurry home, Blanche!

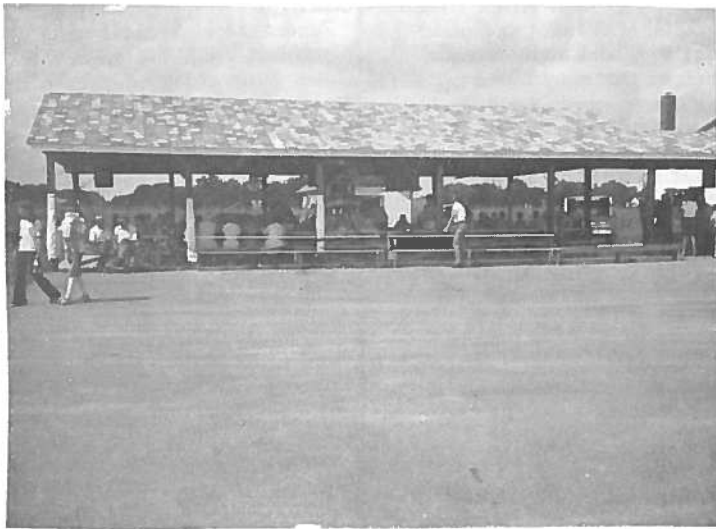
Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Smith of Eight Point Lake, Mrs. Lou Gerber and Helen Hummel called on Mrs. E. R. Rhode and Harold Friday. They returned to their Florida home Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Gostola of Mt. Pleasant spent Sunday evening with Mrs. E. R. Rhode and Harold. ---0---

NEWS NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. David Wood and son, Jonathan, of Lansing, spent the first of the week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Pitts, and family. Jonathan was born last Tuesday at St. Lawrence Hospital in Lansing, weighing nine pounds, two ounces. He is Bernard and Yvonne's first grandchild.

BETTER THAN A LETTER



BINGO GAMES IN THE PAVILION--Were just beginning as we left after a meal such as only the Beal City Knights of Columbus can dish up in huge quantities. The favorite game now legal, a whole lot of folks had a wonderful day and evening. Messenger photo

We have always marveled at the completely efficient handling of crowds at the Beal City Knights of Columbus chicken barbecues. It takes infinite planning and detailed organization.

Everything, from parking attendants to guide us through the maze of lanes to a place to put our car (and help us get it out again), to the swift ticket-buying setup to the incredibly fast and efficient filling of plates with succulent barbecued chicken (which this year seemed more perfectly done and more delicious than ever), to the entrance of the dining room where an attendant meets you at once and guides you to a table seat, to the pretty girls and handsome

boys serving iced tea, coffee, and also the delectable dessert of a zillion kinds of home-made pies.

As always, we thoroughly enjoyed our day at the Beal City Knights of Columbus annual chicken barbecue dinner.

Winners of three major events include: Kathleen Martin of Beal City, one-half a beef; Joe Tilmann, Beal City, a whole hog; and Margaret LeFire of Bay City, a lamb.

It was a great day, in spite of the worst heat the event has ever had to contend with.

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Emily Wood was back home the first of this week, after a stay in the Clare Hospital.

Coldwater Lake

Marjorie Schafer, Reporter

WOMAN REALLY WANTED OUR FLOWERS

Saturday evening the Ed Schafers were enjoying their front yard when a car stopped in front of their house, a woman got out and proceeded to pick flowers in our yard. She had little children with her.

Ed called to her and told her this was a private place, and she hollered, "Who do you think you are? Did you plant these flowers?"

Ed told her we did. She drove off, and we went to church.

When we got home we found all our flowers picked from our front yard.

The woman was a stranger to us.

Frank and Mabel Walz of Lakeland, Florida, visited us before returning to their home.

Gerald and Jane Schafer and children of Rosebush brought Grandma Schafer over for a visit Friday evening.

Ed called on Father Neubecker Saturday.

We attended the K. C. barbecue Sunday. Our daughter, Ruth Ann Sherlock and family of Traverse City spent Tuesday night with us, on their way to Morristown, Tenn. They are planning on making their home there for a while.

Ed and I called on Don and Judy Schafer Monday.

Gerald and Jane Schafer and children, Paul and Doris Lang and children of Rosebush, had a picnic in our back yard Sunday.

Billy and Kelly Schafer are spending a few days with me.

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Local Items

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Cotter of Lansing were Wednesday morning callers of Mrs. Claribel Butler. They were visiting relatives and friends here several days. Mrs. Ruby Douglas was also a caller. Mrs. Carl Beutler and Diane and Brenda and Claribel Beutler attended a wedding anniversary party for Mr. and Mrs. Edmond Woney Saturday evening at Deerfield Center.

Rev. and Mrs. Athel Lynch left Sunday afternoon for a few days' vacation at her home up north. They took Mrs. Ethel Bywater to dinner at the Coldwater Lake Inn before they left.

Mr. and Mrs. Junior Bakos of Ashley spent Labor Day with the Ronnie Sprague family. Mr. and Mrs. Leon Snyder of Ithaca and Jim Sutton and family of Ashle were Saturday guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Otis Kirvan of Oscoda were last Sunday visitor of his mother, Mrs. Emily Wood.

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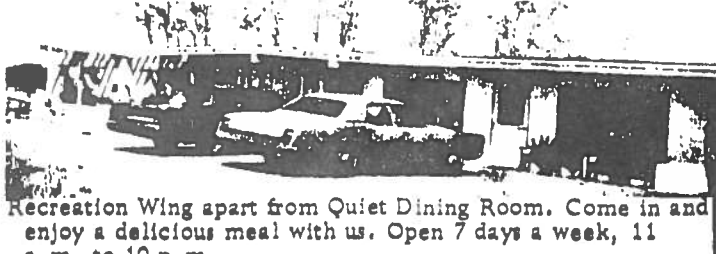
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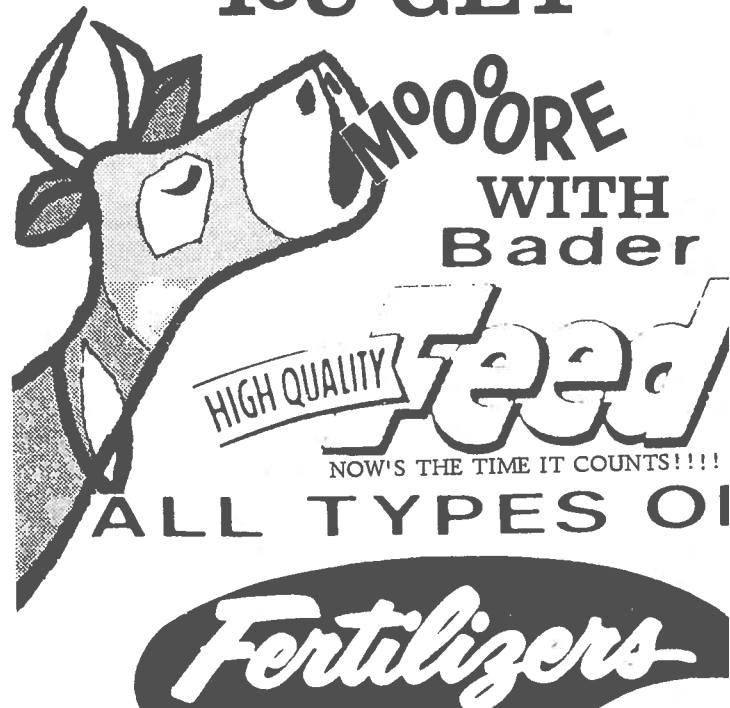
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THE ANNUAL CHICKEN BARBECUE AT BEAL CITY-- Was, as usual, a huge success. We went there early, and joined the relatively short waiting line in the sun (our thermometer registered 92 at 1 p. m.), then stepped inside the mercifully shaded pavilion at the back of the Knights of Columbus Hall. Messenger photo



CROWDS WERE JUST BEGINNING TO GATHER-- At noon, at the Beal City K. C.'s annual chicken dinner. There were plenty of amusement booths, tickets on sale for everything from hand-made quilts to sides of beef, a whole hog, a lamb. And games galore. Messenger photo

Beal City

Dora Smith, Reporter

Mrs. Frank Engler returned from Flint after spending some time with relatives there.

Larry Schmidt of New York spent a week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Schmidt.

Margaret Judge of Winn is visiting her mother, Mrs. Clara Fox.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Gross entertained their son and family from Lansing over the weekend.

Fred Schmidt of Grand Rapids is visiting relatives here.

Mrs. Julius Rittersdorf of Belting spent the weekend with her brothers and sisters, the

Fabers.

Loretta Lorenz pleasantly surprised Louise Smith Saturday afternoon when she came to visit her and show pictures she took in Florida last winter. She took her a birthday card and a quart of wild huckleberries she picked on her own place. She is always so happy and good-natured, and Louise enjoyed her visit very much.

After the big dinner at the K. C. Hall Sunday, Gerald and Loretta Smith of Mt. Pleasant and Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Simmer and Nora and Elaine of Reed City stopped and visited Louise Smith. Mrs. Pat Adams of Mt. Pleasant also visited her.

Callers Tuesday evening of Louise Smith were Mr. and Mrs. Walter Rau, Fred Gould and wife and son, Brian, Mrs. Larry Rau and Renee, and Tillie Schafer.

Ginger Rau and girl friend, Lucille, of Midland, called on Grandma Smith Sunday.

Terry Klumpp returned Friday from Butterworth Hospital in Grand Rapids, where he had corrective surgery on his leg which he broke over a year ago.

Mr. and Mrs. Al Klumpp and girls and Mrs. Ann Eldred spent Sunday evening with Mrs. Tony Schafer.

A big crowd attended the chicken dinner at the K. C. Hall Sunday.

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BEAL CITY SENIOR CITIZENS HAVE 12 1/2 TABLES IN PLAY

At their regular twice-monthly card party last Thursday afternoon, the Beal City Senior Citizens had 12 1/2 tables of pepper in play.

Attendance was down somewhat, during the record-breaking heat wave this area experienced.

Matie Pung won first prize for

the ladies, with Kate Cotter winning second. Eva Anstey won low.

William Lawens won first for the men, with Cliff Anstey second. Isadore Schafer won low.

Rose Schafer won the pepper prize. Gertrude Gross won the door prize.

A lunch of assorted cookies and coffee was served.

The next card party at the K. of C. Hall in Beal City will be Thursday afternoon, Sept. 6.

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(L) DEBT How has the availability of revenue sharing funds affected the borrowing requirements of your jurisdiction?

- AVOIDED DEBT INCREASE
- NO EFFECT
- LESSENER DEBT INCREASE
- TOO SOON TO PREDICT EFFECT

(M) TAXES In which of the following manners did the availability of Revenue Sharing Funds affect the tax levels of your jurisdiction? Check as many as apply.

- ENABLED REDUCING THE RATE OF A MAJOR TAX.
- REDUCED AMOUNT OF RATE INCREASE OF A MAJOR TAX.
- PREVENTED INCREASE IN RATE OF A MAJOR TAX
- NO EFFECT ON TAX LEVELS
- PREVENTED ENACTING A NEW MAJOR TAX
- TOO SOON TO PREDICT EFFECT

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						EQUIPMENT (G)	CONSTRUCTION (H)	LAND ACQUISITION (I)	DEBT RETIREMENT (J)
1 PUBLIC SAFETY	\$	%	%	10 MULTI-PURPOSE AND GENERAL GOVT.	\$	%	%	%	%
2 ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION	\$	%	%	11 EDUCATION	\$	%	%	%	%
3 PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION	\$ 4,679	100%	%	12 HEALTH	\$	%	%	%	%
4 HEALTH	\$	%	%	13 TRANSPORTATION	\$	%	%	%	%
5 RECREATION	\$	%	%	14 SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT	\$	%	%	%	%
6 LIBRARIES	\$	%	%	15 HOUSING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT	\$	%	%	%	%
7 SOCIAL SERVICES FOR AGED & POOR	\$	%	%	16 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT	\$	%	%	%	%
8 FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION	\$	%	%	17 ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION	\$	%	%	%	%
9 TOTAL ACTUAL OPERATING MAINTENANCE EXPENDITURES	\$ 4,679			18 PUBLIC SAFETY	\$	%	%	%	%
				19 RECREATION CULTURE	\$	%	%	%	%
				20 OTHER (Specify)	\$	%	%	%	%
				21 OTHER (Specify)	\$	%	%	%	%
				22 OTHER (Specify)	\$	%	%	%	%
				23 TOTAL ACTUAL CAPITAL EXPENDITURES	\$				

(N) CERTIFICATION (Please Read Instruction 'F').
 The news media have been advised that a complete copy of this report has been published in a local newspaper of general circulation. I have records documenting the contents of this report and they are open for public and news media scrutiny.
 Additionally, I certify that I am the chief executive officer and, with respect to the entitlement funds reported hereon, I certify that they have not been used in violation of either the priority expenditure requirement (Section 103) or the matching funds prohibition (Section 104) of the Act.

(O) TRUST FUND REPORT

Revenue Sharing Funds Received Thru June 30, 1973 \$ 4,679
 Interest Earned \$
 Total Funds Available \$
 Amount Expended \$ 4,679
 Balance \$

Earl C. Dillinger
 SIGNATURE OF CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER
EARL C. DILLINGER SUPERVISOR
 NAME & TITLE - PLEASE PRINT
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YOUR WORK SHEET

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S. W. Sherman

Goldie Dutcher, Reporter

Garry Dutcher went camping Thursday night up at Fife Lake. Mr. and Mrs. Richard Dutcher and Patti and David and Rex Dutcher went up Friday night. The Richard Dutchers planned to spend the week there.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dutcher and Dawn went up and spent Labor Day with them.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Harshman and girls and husbands of Lansing visited the Ervin Dutchers, Jr., Saturday.

Don and Brian Houghton, Tom McHugh, Mike Abbott and Terry Cotter visited Steve Dutcher Saturday. Keith Dutcher of Clarkston spent the week here and visited Steve several times, and also visited his grandparents, Edna Merrihew and the Ervin Dutchers, Sr.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Fitzgerald visited Mr. and Mrs. James Taylor of rural Blanchard Friday evening. Saturday they were in Lansing, and attended the wedding of Susie Garner and Bill Barkyoub. Sunday afternoon they visited the Jim McNamaras at Blue Lake.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Verhooks of Grand Rapids spent Sunday evening with the Fitzgeralds.

Beth Hogg visited the Ervin Dutchers Sunday evening.

Ruth Dutcher and Karen and Kevin spent the weekend here with her mother, Edna Merrihew. Edna purchased a new home in Barryton, and Ruth came up to help her move Saturday. They went home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Poltuski of Clarkston, another granddaughter, were up Sunday. We'll miss you, Edna, but hope you enjoy your new home in Barryton.

Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher have been having a flu virus.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Sisco spent Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Jim Dutcher. Jim's visited her folks, Mr. and Mrs. Glen Roomsburg, Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher, Sr., and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hines had Sunday dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Bob Hogg and family.

Callers during the week and Labor Day weekend guests of ours were the Robert Dutchers, Dale Dutchers, Larry Dutchers, Jim Dutchers, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Gaudard and girls of Midland, and Becky and Kaye Dutcher.

Eloise Hogg and Barbara and Nancy were callers of the Ervin Dutchers, Sr., recently.

Garry Dutcher and David and Rex came home Monday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Dutcher and Gena and Toni of Flint spent last weekend here, then on Wednesday they went to Higgins Lake for the rest of the week, returning early Labor Day, then on back to Flint early, to avoid part of the traffic.

The Clarence Chaffees left

a week ago to visit Dean and family, and help them drive home, as Dean will be discharged from the Army soon.

Our road has been a busy, busy road over this past weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dutcher and Dawn spent Saturday over night with her folks, the Glen Owens, of rural Midland.

They visited the Dale Dutchers on their way home.

Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher had picnic lunch with Edna Merrihew Saturday. Ruth Dutcher and Kevin, Keith and Karen and Wayne West were all helping move.

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Brinton News

Frances Beck, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Wright and boys of Flat Rock were Labor Day weekend guests at the Russell Wright home. Monday they called on Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Schrock.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Strang and girls spent Monday with his brother in Jackson, returning home Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harley Teeter and family of Clare and Mr. and Mrs. Earl Place and family were dinner guests of their mother, Mrs. Teeter, Sunday.

Elizabeth Conley spent Sunday with her sister, Minnie, at Lake.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Wright returned home Wednesday evening from a trip in the Upper Peninsula. While there they called on Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Gorby and Mr. and Mrs. Larry Baker.

Sympathy goes to Mr. and Mrs. Harris Brown in the death of their little four-year-old granddaughter, who accidentally drowned in a swimming pool. She was the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Alwood.

Those from here attending the parade at Farwell Labor Day included Mr. and Mrs. Joe LaLonde, Larry Strang and girls, Eunice LaLonde, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Tower, and Lillie Maddox and I and Dad. Lillie spent Sunday night with me, returning to Saginaw Monday.

Emily Geasler of Grand Rapids spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Geasler.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Bowen and Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Fletcher, Jr., of Farwell attended the wedding of their nephew and cousin, Todd Bowen, at Mt. Pleasant Saturday evening, and a reception following at the Holiday Inn that evening. They also attended the anniversary party for Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Wonsey at the Deerfield Town Hall Saturday evening.

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BIRTHDAY PARTY FOR YOUNG ERIC McARTHUR

Mr. and Mrs. Douglas McArthur hosted a party honoring the first birthday of their son, Eric., Monday afternoon.

About 28 members of the Mc-

Arthur and Garrett families enjoyed cake and ice cream, and visiting. Grandparents from both sides of the family, uncles and aunts, and cousins made

up the birthday party guests.

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Mr. and Mrs. R.D. Sprague spent the Labor Day weekend camping at Tubbs Lake.

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Elvah Gott, Reporter

Mrs. Myrtle Decker visited her sister, Zena Olger, and then went to the home of their brother, Dewey Allbee, of Farwell, last week.

Bernice Swain and Bertha Ege of Mt. Pleasant called on the Olgers Tuesday. Mrs. Sidney Wood and grandson, Steve, called Saturday and took Zena shopping.

Mrs. Jeanette Hard and boys of Freeland visited Laura Latham Thursday and Saturday. Sunday they all visited the Dewey Olgers.

Mrs. Anna Kockensparger called on her brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. John Gott, Sunday. Albert Gott of Winn called Monday, and took us to the parade at Farwell, during that town's Labor Day celebration.

Among the many friends and relatives to attend the funeral of little Treasa Alwood in Hemlock Saturday were Mr. and Mrs. Ted Burdette of Owosso. Mr. and Mrs. Dick Smith and Jeff called at the funeral home Friday afternoon to pay respect to the family.

Mr. and Mrs. Barney Fisher and Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Schafer of Lansing, and Mr. and Mrs. Ted Burdette attended the K. C. celebration and delicious chicken dinner Sunday. The Burdettes called at the Don Alwood home.

Mrs. Elvah Gott and Mrs. Orma Kripa accompanied the Don Alwood family to Hemlock Friday to be with the Bill Alwood family. Mrs. Helen Mahon of Mt. Pleasant, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Benic of Mt. Clemens, Mrs. Helen McCain of Flint, all attended the funeral Saturday. Pastor and Mrs. Marvin Eldridge also attended the funeral of little Treasa Alwood at Hemlock Saturday.

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Local Items

Mrs. Helen Smith and Mrs. Ula Cummins were in Lakeview one day last week.

Mrs. Verlia Wilcox called on her sister, Lillie Dennis, at Mecosta, Sunday. Mrs. Dennis is staying with the Ira Cook family.

Emma Middlesworth and Margaret Johnston attended the Cleveland-Detroit ballgame in Detroit Saturday. They went with the Barryton Senior Citizens' bus load.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Charnes spent Friday night and Saturday at St. Ignace.

Timothy McArthur started work last week as a welder for the Gurdon Industries at Clare. Tim took two years of high school welding classes, and also a night class, before he graduated last spring.

the Churches

WEIDMAN BAPTIST CHURCH
(1 mile west of Weidman)
Pastor: Marvin Eldridge, phone 644-3504.

Sunday School, 10 a. m.
Morning Service, 11 a. m.
Evening Service, 7.30 p. m.
Prayer Meeting (Wednesday), 7.30 p. m.
Choir practice (Thursday), 6.30 p. m.

Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Allen, Jr., and family of Lansing attended church services, morning and evening, with their aunt, Mrs. John Gott. In the evening the family sang some lovely songs. Arnold Allen III, nine years old, gave a beautiful rendition of "He Touched Me."

Sept. 16, Miss Nancy Stanley, missionary to France, will be with us for our 10 and 11 o'clock services.

WEIDMAN UNITED METHODIST
Rev. Athel Lynch, Pastor, 216 1/2 2nd Street, Weidman.

Office phone 644-3336, parsonage 644-3441.

Church School, 9.45 a. m.
Worship Service, 11 a. m.
Sharing and prayer Thursday, 7.30 p. m.

Pot luck dinner third Sunday, 1 p. m.

U. M. W., 1st and 3rd Thursdays, 3 p. m.

Methodist Men, 4th Saturday, 6.30 p. m.

WEIDMAN CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

Rev. John A. Wright, Minister
Phone 644-3604.

Sunday School, 10 a. m.
Morning Worship, 11 a. m.
Choir practice, 6.30 p. m.
Evening Service, 7.30 p. m.
Prayer Service Wednesday, 7.30 p. m.

ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH

Broomfield: Located six miles south of Weidman on Coldwater Road.

Rev. Edwin Schmelzer, Pastor.
Sunday School, 9.15 a. m.
Worship Service, 10.45 a. m.
Ladies' Aid meets on second Wednesday of each month.

SENIOR CITIZENS HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION COMPLICATED THIS YEAR BY NEW LAWS

Exemptions on homes owned by Senior Citizens in Michigan will be a complicated affair this year, due to Gov. Milliken's pet project of change in tax laws.

There's an intricate schedule of of income received by Senior Citizens, with ceilings and floors incomprehensible to the average person, including Ye Ed.

We have notes on our copy pad that say the State Treasurer at Lansing will send out forms to be filled, with, we hope, instructions understandable by us average folks.

rage folks.

From the simple procedure of signing an application form taken to your home by your friendly Township Supervisor, to the process of making out state income-tax forms, paying your full real estate tax and then waiting for a refund from the

good State of Michigan--it does sound complicated.

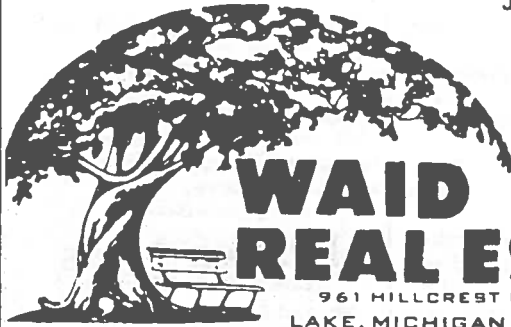
No one seems to know much about it yet, on the local front.

This year's tax exemptions will stand without further effort, as Township Supervisors filed them with their last December tax assessments.

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