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Editor's Column

By Connie

WHERE ARE ALL THE CANNING-JAR LIDS?

Last spring Americans throughout the land swamped seed companies for garden vegetable seeds and plants, and throughout the land citizens worked their vegetable gardens as hedges against the high cost of eating.

Came canning time and there were no canning lids. They simply disappeared off supermarket shelves. They did not reappear, either.

We personally wrote our State Representative at Lansing asking what the situation was, and got, for our pains, an answer stating that the legislature knew no more about the situation than the woman in the kitchen trying to save the year's eating crop. The letter did say that a Canadian address for procurement of the lids might be available by writing Gov. Milliken's office.

To this day--in January, yet!--supermarket shelves are bare of canning lids.

We want to know what happened. The two makers of jar lids, Mason and Kerr, could have cleared millions of dollars by putting out supplies beyond the normal runs. But they didn't. Or if they did, the jar lids disappeared.

Now we are asking for a thorough investigation of the situation. Something is fishy in the canning-supply industry, and the American people, hard working and self-supporting as they try to be, are entitled to know what is going on.

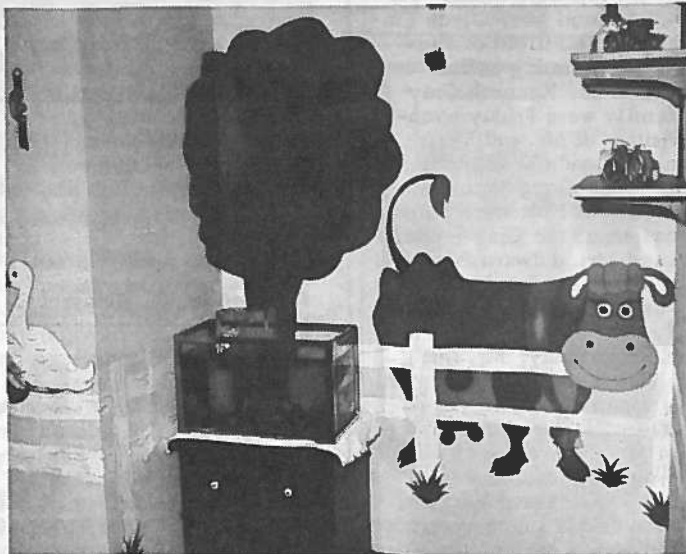
Did we sell a five-year supply of canning lids to the Russians, along with the wheat deal?

This column will be mailed to the following politicians, state and national:

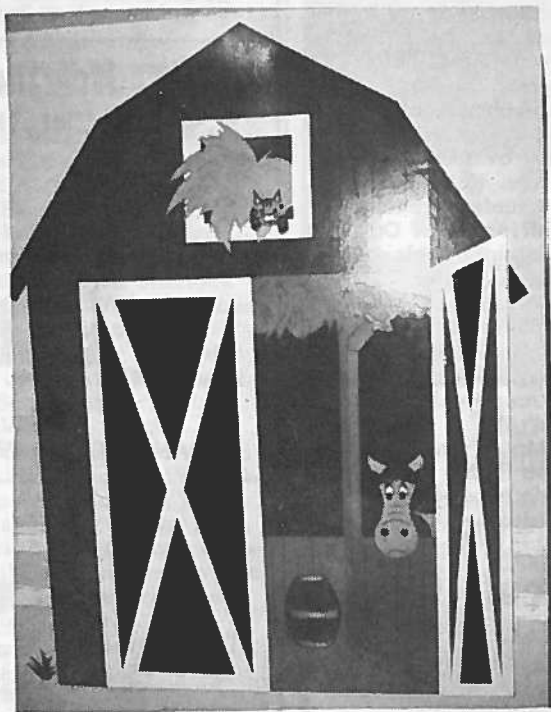
Rep. John Engler and Sen. John Toepp, Michigan Legislature; Cong. Elford A. Cederberg, House of Representatives, Washington; and Senators Philip A. Hart and Robert P. Griffin, also in Washington.

You'll find their listings and addresses on the back page of

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WALL MURALS FOR A CHILD'S ROOM--Were painted by Douglas McArthur, manager at Allen Lumber Company in Weidman, for two-year-old Richard Rodden, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Rodden, of Mt. Pleasant, friends of Doug and Donna. We love the benign expression on the cow's face in the delightfully styled work above.



ANOTHER DETAIL OF DOUG'S WALL PAINTINGS--Is this starkly outlined (red?) barn with hungry horse looking out. Doug was an A student in Frances Tranbarger's art classes in the old Weidman School, and he's keeping his talent and skill fresh with such works as these.

TICKETS AVAILABLE FOR LITTLE MAC PIG ROAST DAY, FEB. 16

Tickets are available at most business places in Weidman and Beal City for the greatly expanded festival day at the Little Mac Bridge on the Elwood Miller farm Feb. 16, a Sunday.

Eight hogs will be roasted over outdoor charcoal grills, and all the trimmings, including the famous bean soup, will be offered on the dinner plate.

There are several valuable prizes to be given away, also, and tickets for these on a contribution basis may also be obtained from business places or from any Fireman.

Also available are Little Mac buttons and shoulder patches.

ORGANIC GARDENING CLASS OFFERED AT MID MICHIGAN COLLEGE AT HARRISON

Organic gardening is the science of growing your own "taint-free" food without having to depend on purchased materials. You gain the security of knowing that the food grown and consumed is without the usual poisons used to grow commercial, supermarket food.

The class will be offered through the Community Service Division of the college for six consecutive weeks on Thursday evening from 7 to 10, starting Jan. 30.

Class topics will include planting times, organic fertilizers, organic pest control, reasons for not using chemical fertilizers or pesticides, methods of mulch gardening that take less time than conventional gardening, and benefits of organic gardening, nutritionally.

The instructor, Tony Applegate, of Mt. Pleasant, has been practicing the concepts of organic gardening for the past six years.

Tuition for the one-credit-hour class is \$12 for college in-district residents and \$18 for out-district residents. To pre-enroll, call 386-7792, extension 30.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Louisell and family of Mt. Pleasant spent Sunday afternoon with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Louisell, in honor of Bob's birthday.

Around Horr

Jessie Rosencrantz, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Gross and boys were Sunday evening guests of the Gerald Loseys.

Mr. and Mrs. Greg Martin spent Sunday at Tip-Up Town at Houghton Lake. The children stayed with their grandparents.

Mr. and Mrs. Merlin Bahr were Sunday guests of the Joe Martin family.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Denslow and family, Mrs. Joyce Chaffee and Mrs. Barbara North and family spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Mack Denslow.

Mrs. Nettie Lawrence had dental work done at St. Johns Friday. Mr. and Mrs. Garth Lawrence and Pam were Sunday dinner guests of Mrs. Lawrence.

Lester Morgan of Grand Rapids was a Wednesday caller at the Alva Cummins home. Mr. and Mrs. Garth Lawrence and Pam and Mr. and Mrs. Larry Cummins and Duane were Sunday callers.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Dent were Saturday supper guests at the Fred Rescoe home, celebrating their grandson Christopher's second birthday. Mr. and Mrs. Chuck Roberts and family and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Dent and boys spent the weekend with the folks. Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Kirvan were Friday callers.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Denslow were Sunday dinner guests of his mother, Mrs. Eva Denslow.

Bill Thompson accompanied Doug Thompson to his home in Southfield Monday evening. Tuesday they attended the auto show in Detroit, returning home Tuesday evening.

Bob Thompson spent Friday evening with Tim Workman at Alma.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Thompson attended a get-together for Larry Burgess in Mt. Pleasant, who has spent 18 years in Alaska. Later they called on Mr. and Mrs. Gary Fuller and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Fahnestock and Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Skyneski and children, Michael and Michaele, were weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Fahnestock.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Fahnestock attended her brother's funeral in Detroit last Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Losey came home last Friday evening. They had been staying at the home of their son, Harold, a couple of weeks, due to fuel trouble. Harold was a Sunday caller of his folks.

Richard Junior, Jeff and Mike Wood were Friday dinner guests of their grandmother, Mrs. Flora Wood. Mrs. Wood, Mr. and Mrs.

Vance Wood and Mary Ellen, Gale and Dean, Mr. and Mrs. Steve Metcalf and Dennis of Rodney, and Mr. and Mrs. Don Johanson of Big Rapids were all Sunday dinner guests of the Marsdon Ancliffs at Coldwater Lake.

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Walker Creek News

Mary Loomis, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Randy Reeder and Albert Goodstell and fiancée from Fenwick were Sunday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Emmons. Wayne Fifield of Lansing was a Saturday caller.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Gray and family were Friday evening visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne La Londe at Brinton. Mr. and Mrs. Doug Bachelor and family of Holt were Sunday callers at the Gray home.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Portenga of Conklin spent Sunday with Gary and Dolores Portenga and family, to help Lee Ann celebrate her birthday. Mr. and Mrs. Dick Touchinski and girls of Weidman also spent the day with them. Dolores spent Monday in Mt. Pleasant with her grandmother, Mrs. Eva Gray.

Mr. and Mrs. Steve Voss and son were Friday supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Voss. Mr. and Mrs. Titus Sanford and Wendy were Sunday visitors.

Mr. and Mrs. Orval Reed spent Saturday with her brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Lynch, at Midland. Their Sunday visitors were Mr. and Mrs. Steve Pyrratt and family of Big Rapids. Mr. and Mrs. Pat Loomis and girls were Sunday afternoon callers.

Clyde Dosenberry called on his folks, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Dosenberry, over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Keith Thompson were Saturday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Otto Skalitzky. Ruby Douglas was a last Wednesday caller.

Mr. and Mrs. Pat Dillenbeck were Tuesday evening visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Austin Dent.

Mrs. Vada Conley left Thursday for a three weeks' vacation in Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Loomis called on us Friday afternoon. Dad and Mother Loomis were evening visitors.

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Local Items

Mr. and Mrs. Don Green of Wheeler were Saturday afternoon visitors of their sister, Mrs. Alton Allen.

Mrs. Burr Abrahamson of Mt. Pleasant came Friday afternoon and took Mrs. Ethel Bywater to the home of her daughter, Mrs. Jim Jones, to see their new house they built and moved into, near Blanchard.

Mr. and Mrs. David Flower spent Wednesday evening with Mr. and Mrs. R.D. Sprague.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Wilson spent Friday evening with Mrs. Nina Forbes.

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Beal City

Dora Smith, Reporter

A number of residents from the Beal City area attended Tip-Up Town last weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Smith of Mt. Pleasant spent Sunday afternoon with Mrs. Louise Smith and Ann and Dora.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Keiffer visited his sister, Mrs. Emma O'Connor, of Carson City, and also called on Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Schafer of Hubbardston one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Ahlers of Lansing spent Tuesday with Mr. and Mrs. Julius Bierschbach.

Mrs. Monica Grinzinger spent Tuesday with Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Fussman, and all enjoyed cards.

Frank Neyer and son called on Louise and Dora Smith last Tuesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Smith and family of Lansing spent a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Bob Blasen and Theresa, and Mr. and Mrs. Howard Yuncker.

Mrs. Fred Gould and sons of Mt. Pleasant called on Mrs. Larry Rau and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Rau Friday.

Larry Rau and Renee called on Mrs. Louise Smith and Anna and Dora Friday evening. Dora called on Mr. and Mrs. Joe Sheppard that day.

Doug Schafer came home from the hospital in Ann Arbor Sunday.

Charlie Gross died last Thursday, and was buried Monday at St. Joseph's Church Cemetery.

Ann and Milo Eldred called on Tillie Schafer Wednesday evening.

Alfred Klumpp spent Saturday and Sunday in Saginaw, with the Naval Reserves.

Mr. and Mrs. John Sheahan and Louise Schafer went to Alma Sunday to see Lee Sunderman in the hospital there.

Tillie Schafer spent Sunday at the Bob Schafer home.

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Lane of Grand Rapids spent Sunday at the Bob Schafer home.

Aloysius Schumacher was admitted to CMC Hospital Jan. 16. Judy Faber was also admitted the same day.

AREA STUDENTS MAKE THE DEAN'S LIST AT MID MICHIGAN COLLEGE

Among those students making the dean's honor list at Mid Michigan Community College at the conclusion of the fall semester were listed Dennis Coloski, Farwell, Jack Jarman, also of Farwell, Darlene Clark, listed from Mt. Pleasant, Debbie Darnell, Stacia Jackson, all of Mt. Pleasant addresses; Christy Frick, Claire Cross and Mary Trainor, all of Rosebush; and William Blain, Karen Harris and Richard Irish, of Lake.

Several of these also made the President's list, a further honor.

Coldwater Lake

Ruth Sherlock, Reporter
Tel. 644-2310

Andy and Ginny Beck and children, Andy and Kim, returned last week from Florida. They were visiting Ginny's mother.

Eddie Sherlock spent Tuesday afternoon at John-John Tilmann's home.

Ruth Sherlock was hostess to an Artex party Thursday. Her guests were Marsha Schumacher, Judy Tilmann, Helene Bywater, Carol Marchiando, Judy Schafer and Carol Matthews. The girls enjoyed a morning of painting. Coffee and rolls were served. The girls meet once a month for this purpose. Anyone around Coldwater Lake wishing to join may contact Ruth Sherlock.

Friday evening Wayne and Ruth Sherlock and family were guests of the Gerald Schafers at Rosebush.

Glenn Matthews went with Melvin Funnell and son to enjoy a weekend at Higgins Lake. There they enjoyed hunting, fishing, and snowmobiling.

Eddie and Marlene Sherlock spent the weekend at Rosebush with cousins Billy and Kelli Schafer.

The folks around this area want to welcome the new Head Start teacher, Pam Grim. Darlene Dahlenburg is still here as the assistant, still doing a great job.

Girls of the 4-H Club who are learning Artrex painting met with Carol Matthews Thursday after school. They are doing great, and also learning a new hobby to help them in the future.

Bob and Alma Armbrustmacher enjoyed having Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Mankey for a weekend visit.

Don and Judy Schafer and children, Josette and Heather, were guests of Richard and Janet Haynes Thursday evening.

Bob Schafer and future wife, Sharon McCoy, were supper guests at the Wayne Sherlock home recently. We played cards during the evening.

Judy Tilmann and son, John, enjoyed coffee at the home of Marsha Schumacher one day last week.

Lori Simmer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Simmer, was admitted to CMC Hospital Jan. 16 for tests and observation. Lori was not recovering satisfactorily from an illness last summer. She was reported as feeling better the first of the week.

Brinton News

Frances Beck, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Joe La Londe returned home Friday after a three weeks' visit with their daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. David Crook, at Grandville, Ohio.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvie Moore at-

tended the funeral of their nephew, Orville Johnson, at Holt, Friday. He was the son of the former Dora Moore.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Wright called at the Stinson Funeral Home in Mt. Pleasant Tuesday evening, paying their respects to Jessie Tupper. Violet attended the funeral Wednesday.

Wanda Haenke and boys and Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Fletcher spent Sunday with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Bowen.

Pat and Chris Dunbar spent the weekend with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. George Beers, while their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Dunbar of Grand Rapids, spent

the weekend at Traverse City, skiing.

Mr. and Mrs. Ken Gray spent Friday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Wayne La Londe.

Dick Geasler entered the Lakeview Hospital Thursday, where he underwent surgery Friday. Bonnie Hyder was a guest of her mother, Nora Geasler, Friday night, and called on Dick Saturday.

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Mrs. Marge Mullet has been quite sick with flu.

Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell McArthur spent Saturday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Ed Fox at Coldwater Lake.



Idle Cogitation

(How regrettably true it is)

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Dorothy Klumpp

MR. AND MRS. ROBERT KLUMPP, of Beal City, announce the engagement of their daughter to Gregory Bunting, son of Mr. and Mrs. Miles Bunting, of 1050 E. River Rd. The bride-elect is a 1972 graduate of Beal City High School. Her fiance is a 1971 graduate of Sacred Heart Academy. The wedding will take place February 1.

Local Items

Mrs. Bessie Teall announces the birth of her fourth great-great-grandchild, a son to Mr. and Mrs. Denny Lofgren, of near Lansing. The young man has been named Donnie Alan, and weighed eight pounds at birth.

Mrs. Emma Middlesworth was taken to the Alma Hospital Friday night, suffering from bronchitis. She was reported better the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Barbour and small Jonathan Wood, all of Lansing, spent the weekend with their folks, Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Pitts, and family. Mrs. Grace Pitts was also a Sunday dinner guest.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Touchinski and girls spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Gary Portenga and family. The Touchinskis and Mrs. Edith Touchinski were Saturday supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Miller.

Mr. and Mrs. Doug Jackson and baby of Mt. Pleasant spent Saturday evening with Mr. and Mrs.

Fred Wilcox.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Cummins and son, Duane, of St. Louis and Mr. and Mrs. Garth Lawrence and Pamela of Laingsburg were Sunday afternoon callers of Mrs. Helen Smith and Mrs. Ula Cummins, and enjoyed lunch with them.

Mrs. Ula Cummins was a Wednesday caller of Mr. and Mrs. Alva Cummins of Horr.

Mr. and Mrs. Roger Smith and sons of Flint spent the weekend with his mother, Mrs. Lucille Smith. Mr. and Mrs. Jim Smith of Barryton were also Saturday evening dinner guests.

Birdie Abbott was a last Thursday afternoon visitor of Mrs. Bessie Teall.

MOTHER

By Wanda J. Bissett

My mother--bless her heart,
Surely must have had a head start.
Guided by the patience of a saint,
Laughed when others would surely faint;
Brushed the unhappy tears from

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.

Marj MacMillan, the missionary from Liberia, showed pictures of her work there, and explained each one. They were beautiful pictures.

Slides on "The Holy Land" will be shown at our church Jan. 26 at 7 p. m. Ron Diehl will give a commentary on the pictures. Everyone welcome.

WEIDMAN UNITED METHODIST
Rev. Athel Lynch, Pastor, 2163 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, 5.30 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.

WEIDMAN CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

Rev. William Hurt, Pastor
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.

The young people gave a very good report Sunday evening of the work our missionaries are doing in various places.

There were pictures shown, also

eyes,

Soothed the sad and mournful cries.

My mother--Bless her heart,
Certainly must have had a head start.

Though at times she seemed quite cross,
I must admit--with just cause.
She always managed to have enough time
To read me a story or teach me a rhyme.

My mother--Bless her heart,
Surely must have had a head start.

On raising a kid like me

To what she thought I 'otta be.
Through Teendoms' struggle and strife

And onward up the road of Life.

My mother--Bless her heart,
Certainly must have had a head start

To be so knowing, loving and wise
And still manage not to criticize.

Though at the time she seemed quite dumb,

It's surprising how smart she'd become.

My mother--Bless her heart,
I KNOW had a head start.
For soon a Mother I became
And now I'm playing her kind of game.

Hearing those words, "It isn't that way,
Things were different in your day."

I'm the one to smile and silently reflect,
Someday your thoughts'll change--I bet.

And maybe you'll think of me
And wonder just what it can be

That somehow makes mothers know

Just when to turn on their special glow.

To feel your heart burst with pride,
To shed the tear a smile can't hide;

To hold a baby close to your breast,

To pray for guidance to do your best.

Perhaps then you'll think,
"Mother--Bless her heart,
Obviously must have had a head start."

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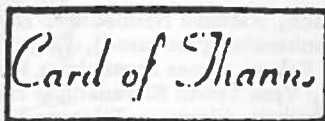
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Our sincere thanks and deepest
 appreciation to Dr. R. Chamber-
 lain, the CMC Hospital staff,
 and Rev. George Stehle;

The Stinson Funeral Home,
 and the many, many friends,
 neighbors and relatives for their
 many acts of kindness, and the
 flowers.

Also to the Moose Lodge la-
 dies for the lunch served.

To all, your kindness will long
 be remembered and appreciated.
 The Jessie Tupper Family

Obituary

CHARLES J. GROSS

Charles J. Gross, a lifetime
 resident of Nottawa Township,
 died last Thursday, Jan. 16, at
 CMC Hospital, after a long ill-
 ness. He was 75.

He was born March 30, 1899,
 in Nottawa Township, where he
 spent his life; as a farmer, and
 at one time as a stock hauler
 to Detroit, for area growers.

He was a member of St. Jo-
 seph the Worker Church and the
 Beal City Knights of Columbus.
 He had innumerable friends
 throughout this area.

Funeral services were held at
 11 a.m. Monday, Jan. 20, in
 St. Joseph the Worker Church

at Beal City, with Father Don-
 ald Dueweke officiating. Burial
 was in the church cemetery.
 Beal City Knights of Columbus
 services were held Friday eve-
 ning at the J. J. Rush Funeral
 Home in Mt. Pleasant.

He is survived by three daugh-
 ters, Mrs. Francis (Theresa)
 Schafer of Weidman, Mrs. Ber-
 nard (Irene) Kellicut of Shep-
 herd, and Mrs. Larry (Elaine)
 Maxon, of Mt. Pleasant; one
 son, Norman, Weidman; and
 28 grandchildren; one sister,
 Mrs. John (Minnie) Schafer,
 and two brothers, Michael and
 Ernest, both of this area.

He was preceded in death by
 his wife.

Charlie Gross was everybody's
 friend, and we offer sincere
 sympathy to his family.

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S. W. Sherman

Goldie Dutcher, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Dodge and
 three boys of Grand Rapids visit-
 ed Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher,
 Sr., Sunday.

Jack Dutcher and friend of Lake
 Orion spent Wednesday over
 night and Thursday with his dad,
 and did some wood cutting.

Little Michael Dutcher was
 taken to the Mt. Pleasant Hospi-
 tal Friday night. He was better
 the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Fyke spent
 Monday evening with the Jim
 Dutchers.

Mr. and Mrs. Rick Maeder and
 sons had Friday supper with the
 Jim Dutcher family.

The Jim Dutchers visited the

Larry Dutchers of Flint a week
 ago Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Brian Dutcher
 and Chad and Eddie Oplinger
 were Sunday visitors of the Er-
 vin Dutchers, Jr.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Fitzgerald
 visited Mr. and Mrs. Nyle Perry
 Tuesday afternoon. They visit-
 ed Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Ste-
 vens of Lakeview Wednesday
 evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Dutcher and
 sons visited Mr. and Mrs. Robert
 Dutcher and Mr. and Mrs. Rich-
 ard Dutcher and called on me,
 Saturday evening.

Mrs. Claribel Beutler celebrat-
 ed her birthday Sunday. Her chil-
 dren, Mr. and Mrs. James Beut-
 ler and Mr. and Mrs. Forrest
 Johnston of Rosebush, and Mr.
 and Mrs. Howard Beutler and
 Mr. and Mrs. Carl Beutler and
 families helped her celebrate
 by being dinner guests.

Mary Beutler and Jean Chapin
 of Remus went to Detroit Sun-
 day, where they attended meet-
 ings Monday for the Eastern Stars.
 Brenda Beutler spent the time
 with her aunt, Marion Beutler,
 Monday.

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BEAL CITY HIGH SCHOOL, APRIL, 1925--Top row: Julius Bierschbach, Richard Neubecker, Edwin Simmer, Walter Weipert. Second top row: Thomas Fox (deceased), Frank Ullrich, Howard Laubenthal (deceased), Hugo Martin, Bruce Bozer, John W. Schafer. Third top row: Irene Hauck (Smith), Anna Smith, Leona Faber, Agnes Pantenburg Romes, Ella Smith Yuncker, Agnes Faber Thielen, Irene Schumacher Smith, Rose Fussman Fox, Vera Smith Kavanaugh, Helen Hauck Zeien. Fourth row: Mary Martin Rolph, Rose Schall Bitschnau, Florence Fox Hathaway, Florence Tilmann Barnes, Irene Pung Fedewa, Rose Schafer Fox, Angeline Wieber Wawersik, Theodine Andres Hackett. Bottom row: Virgil Smith, Edward Lawens (deceased), John Andres, Lawrence Schafer, Charles Schmidt, Joseph Schafer. Old photo submitted by Mrs. Ed Fedewa (Irene), 918 Jordan Road, rural Mt. Pleasant. The Beal City High School graduated 10 Seniors that year: Hugo Martin, Frank Ullrich, Howard Laubenthal, Thomas Fox, Helen Hauck Zeien, Ella Smith Yuncker, Vera Smith Kavanaugh, Agnes Pantenburg Romes, Leona Faber and John Neyer (not in photo). The Beal City area celebrates its centennial next summer.

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GIRL SCOUTS ENJOYED THE CHRISTMAS SEASON

Girl Scout Troop No. 926, of Weidman, enjoyed a Christmas party with gift exchange Dec. 18, at the Weidman school. The girls baked and created their own refreshments for the party.

They enjoyed tasting and seeing the goodies made toward starting on their cooking badges.

The Junior Girl Scouts' Christmas caroling Dec. 23 meant a



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lot to our town's older folks, as the troop and seven mothers enjoyed singing and giving boxes of home made goodies created by the girls. Hot chocolate was served by the Brownie mothers at the school after the caroling.

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LOCAL FOLKS DO WIN--SOMETIMES

Jim Damitio reports that Lucille Smith was one of many winners in a recent sweepstakes effort put out by one of his suppliers, the Century Company.

Lucille won a pop rivet tool gun --and don't ask us what THAT is! She was bewildered, too, and figured she probably wouldn't have much use for it, whatever it was.

Fox Hardware substituted her choice of comparable value from the store's wide household selections.

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Mr. and Mrs. R.D. Sprague hosted a birthday supper Saturday evening honoring Jodi Sprague on her birthday. Besides her parents, the Ron Spragues, were Mr. and Mrs. Clare Oberlin of Lansing, who were overnight guests.

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North Weidman

Elvah Gott, Reporter

Mrs. Linda Conley called on Zena Olger Saturday. Zena went to Mt. Pleasant one day last week.

Jo Irene Latham called on her grandmother, Laura Latham, and spent the afternoon with her, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Micky Abbott called on Mr. and Mrs. Duane Chapman of Mt. Pleasant Tuesday. Mr. and Mrs. Pat Leiter, Mrs. Muriel Miller and Debbie, Mrs. Lois Knollenberg and boys and Mr. and Mrs. Tom Kennedy and children called at the Abbott home in the afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Allen of Farwell spent Friday evening with us. Mrs. Wanda Graham and Debbie was also a caller. Debbie visited at friends' home at Chippewa Hills Friday, and spent the night with us Saturday. Becky Graham of Clare and her

friend called on us Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Steve Aldrich of Lansing spent the weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Max Aldrich.

Mrs. Elvah Gott and Helen Alwood attended Merry Go Round Club meeting a week ago at the Brinton Hall. New officers were elected for the coming year. Mrs. Pearl Loomis won the door prize. A delicious pot-luck dinner was enjoyed. The Feb. 13 meeting will be held at the Brinton Hall, if weather permits.

Mrs. Rusty Alwood and Heather visited at the Don Alwood home Friday evening, while Rusty and Jim attended recreation at the Weidman school gym.

Mrs. Elvah Gott and Helen Alwood spent last Tuesday afternoon in Mt. Pleasant. They visited at the Dick Mahon home on their way back.

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HOME PAPER FOR THE WEST HALF OF ISABELLA COUNTY

West Gilmore

Lena Cole, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Ellsworth and children, Debbie, Doug and Dannie, were supper guests of the Paul Coles and Velma, Sunday. Mrs. Ellsworth is the former Carol Hamilton, of this area.

Mr. and Mrs. Salvadore Pfannes spent Thursday afternoon with the Coles. Friday evening visitors were Mr. and Mrs. Dan Kripa, and Miss Alice Rickels, of Farwell.

I would like to congratulate Mrs. George Guernsey in her letter to the editor of the Farwell News. I suggest we get us a mule and take turns at delivering our news. I am saving my flat can lids and making WIN buttons of them. Maybe this year we will have material enough. That way, maybe we can help President Ford. Bet he never thought of that! But there was lots of material for buttons, anyway.

Debbie Moreno was a breakfast guest of the Paul Coles Saturday. She and her friend from Detroit are at the farm of Tony Masiwchuck for the weekend. They made a trip to Scottville Saturday.

Laura Ewing visited them Sunday, and they did some snow-mobiling.

A number of young folks gathered at the Kripa farm Sunday and enjoyed sleigh rides and a Weiner roast and marshmallows. They reported lots of fun.

Little Ronnie Mahon is on the sick list again.

Yours truly had an appointment with her doctor again this week Monday. Hope to get a report on what it's all about.

Mrs. Jack Allbee is reported some better at this time.

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In the Editor's Mail

Mrs. Skinner:

Am enclosing a check to renew our paper for another year. We enjoy reading it, and would sure miss it now, as we know so many people out in Weidman and around there.

I was a Lynch girl. My father used to sell milk to your parents when we had a milk route in Weidman.

Thank you.

Mrs. Homer Moses
Mt. Pleasant

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KITCHEN FIRE AT THE GEORGE FUSSMAN HOME

The Nottawa and Sherman Volunteer Fire Department was credited with preventing a kitchen fire from spreading early Wednesday morning.

The fire started under the kitchen sink, cause unknown, and there was smoke and water damage.

The fire call came in a little after 5 a. m.

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Editor's Column

By Connie

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this issue of the Messenger. We ask that you clip this column and mail it likewise to all these politicians.

Extra copies of this column may be obtained free (while they last) at the Messenger office, for mailing to politicians.

The American people are being taken for some kind of ride, and on a national scale. We are entitled to know how and why.

We are also entitled to purchase can lids at supermarkets.

Ask our politicians to dig into the matter--can lids may mean survival.

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Two Rivers

Blanche Carr, Reporter

Miss Donna Kennedy of Madison Heights is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Kennedy.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Lieder and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Krueger and Arnold and Jeff Krueger attended the wedding of Miss Barbara Taylor and Robert Blake in Detroit Saturday evening. Mrs. Lovica Krueger and the children of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Krueger stayed and visited the Singleton Moses family in Flushing, meanwhile.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Lueder and Mrs. E. R. Rhode and Harold were Sunday dinner guests of Mrs. Eda Van Zandt.

Miss Mildred Benson of Mt. Pleasant called on Mrs. Nettie Baker Sunday. Mrs. Mark Mitchell and Mrs. Ernest Kennedy were Tuesday visitors.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Lueder and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Lueder were Wednesday guests of Mrs. Nettie Crowley and Jay Leinaar.



PART OF THE HISTORY OF WEIDMAN--Is this old-time photo of workers, apparently at John S. Weidman's shingle mill. Old-timers may be able to identify the men, but the Messenger has no information on the picture, other than a note on the back, "Frank Gross". Frank Gross pioneered the pickle factory here, through the 'Teens to the late 1930s. But there apparently are bundles of shingles stacked in the background of the old picture.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Caulkins, Sr., and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Caulkins, Jr., of Secord Lake were Sunday visitors of Nettie and Jay. The Senior Caulkinses were celebrating their 58th wedding anniversary.

Mr. and Mrs. Orves Cook and Mr. and Mrs. Rudy Nagy were weekend fishermen at Tip-Up Town at Houghton Lake.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Cook and Sandra visited Mr. and Mrs. Robert Teeter Sunday.

Shelli Hines was a Sunday supper guest of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hines.

Marty Flaughter spent Friday with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Flaughter. The Ray Flaughers were Sunday visitors

of the Ron Flaughers.

Gary Parker and friend, Miss Mary Bergman, and Mr. and Mrs. Dale Sheldon were Saturday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Flaughter.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Garrett met their daughter, Mrs. Robert Wilson, at Tri-Cities Airport Saturday. She lives in Silver Springs, Md., and is here for a visit.

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Local Items

Mr. and Mrs. James Sutton and family of Ashley were Sat-

urday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Sprague and girls. Leon Snyder of Ithaca was a Monday morning caller.

Mrs. Grace Pitts was a Friday and Saturday supper guest of the Bernard Pitts family.

Mrs. Leila Shook has been ill with flu several times this winter. Mrs. Bea Gross also has been ill with the dread affliction.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Smith spent Sunday with their brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. John Gould, at Evart.

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