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MID MICHIGAN COLLEGE SPONSORS ARTS, CRAFTS BAZAAR AND FLEA MARKET

Mid Michigan Community College of Harrison will sponsor an Arts and Crafts bazaar and flea market in conjunction with its annual Mushroom Festival the weekend of May 17.

Rental spaces for the Arts and Crafts bazaar are available for Saturday, May 17, and Sunday, May 18. The flea market is for Saturday only.

Reservations are being taken on a "first come, first served" basis, with spaces available at the rate of \$10 for one day or \$15 for two days.

Additional information may be obtained by calling for "Pat," at the college telephone, 386-7792, extension 35 or 23.

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REBEKAH CARD PARTY HAS SIX TABLES IN PLAY

At the first-of-the-season card party at the Weidman Rebekahs' Hall last Tuesday afternoon, there were six tables of pepper in play.

Ruth Gallagher won high-score prize for the ladies, with Jack Cotter winning for the men. Eva Phillips won the pepper prize. Wilbur Reinert won low.

Sandwiches, pickles and tea and coffee were served by the committee.

The next card party at the Weidman Rebekah Hall will be Tuesday afternoon, April 22. Everyone is invited.

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RECEPTION FOR REP. JOHN ENGLER AND BRIDE

Mr. and Mrs. Matt Engler are hosting an Open House reception this Sunday afternoon from 2 to 4.30 at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Beal City, honoring their son, Rep. John Engler, and his bride, Rep. Colleen (House) Engler.

The couple were married April 5 in Bay City.

Relatives, friends and neighbors all over Isabella County are cordially invited to attend.

The family requests no gifts.

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WEIDMAN HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATED GOOD PEOPLE--As illustrated by many of our "old grads" and (above) Janet (Dillenbeck) Louisell, wife of Richard Louisell of Spring Lake. Janet recently was appointed assistant athletic director for the whole high school at Spring Lake. Muskegon Chronicle photo

The old Weidman High School (or Sherman Township Rural Agricultural School, as it was officially known) graduated some outstanding people, and in 1940 we took the state championship in Class D in basketball. "It was a good school," is the consensus of many at this time.

Janet has taught physical education at the Spring Lake High School since 1967, and the school had no girls' sports when she went there as a new teacher.

School athletic director Tom Hickman said of Janet, "She was chosen on merit."

Spring Lake High School gradually added girls' sports, and

Jan went on to coach track for four years.

Besides helping the athletic director with scheduling and overseeing the operation of all girls' athletic events, Jan still carries a full teaching load of physical education in Junior High.

She also functions as physical education department head, and that means co-ordinating the entire physical educational program for the girls.

She is also active in a program at the school called Student Helpers and Resource Personnel, in which students work with school staff members, and earn (Continued on Back Page)

BEAL CITY SENIORS HAVE 16 TABLES IN PLAY

At their card party last Thursday afternoon, the Senior Citizens of Beal City had 16 tables of pepper in play.

Matie Pung won first prize for the ladies, with Edith Touchinski second. Christina Bierschbach won low.

Floyd Dutcher won first prize for the men, with Mike Gross second. Earl Blodgett won low.

Agnes Sheahan won the pepper prize. Frank Benn drew the door prize. Monica Grinzinger won a special prize, donated.

The next card party at the K. C. Hall in Beal City will be on Thursday, April 17, this week. Everyone is invited.

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ANNUAL SPRING RALLY FOR FARM BUREAU WOMEN

The annual Spring Rally of District 8 Farm Bureau Women will be held Thursday, April 24, at the Mt. Pleasant Holiday Inn, with the Isabella County Women's Committee hosting the full day of activity.

Reservations must be made by April 20, it was announced this week. They may be sent to Mrs. Edmund O'Brien, district secretary, Route 3, Mt. Pleasant, or to the Isabella County Farm Bureau office, 601 N. Fancher, Mt. Pleasant.

All county Farm Bureau women and interested friends are welcome and urged to attend.

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MAN DIES IN HOUSE FIRE ON WEST JORDAN ROAD

Herbert Fisk died last Thursday morning when fire damaged his home on West Jordan Road in Southwest Sherman Township.

The fire was discovered by a neighbor at 7.05 a.m., and the Nottawa and Sherman Volunteer Fire Department was called.

Volunteer fire fighters carried Mr. Fisk from the house and administered artificial resuscitation.

A county deputy sheriff applied external cardiac massage, but Mr. Fisk was pronounced dead at the scene by ambulance officials from CMC Hospital.

Death was attributed to smoke inhalation. The cabin was not seriously damaged.

S. W. Sherman

Goldie Dutcher, Reporter

HERBERT FISK DIES OF SMOKE INHALATION

Herbert Fisk died of smoke inhalation from a fire in his home Thursday morning, when the cabin owned by his brother-in-law, Bill Summer of Shepherd, burned. Herbert had made his home at the cabin on West Jordan Road the past several summers, and had just returned last Wednesday evening after spending the winter with relatives. His funeral was Monday in Rivendale.

PATRICIA DAVIS FOUND DEAD IN HER HOME

Patricia Davis, daughter of Ella Garner and the late Wayne Davis of West Drew Road, was found dead in her trailer Saturday morning in Mt. Pleasant.

Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon at 1.30 from the Crittenden Funeral Home in Remus.

The community extends sympathy to the family.

CLARENCE CHAFFEE UNDERGOES HEART SURGERY

Clarence Chaffee had heart surgery at St. Joseph's Hospital in Ann Arbor last Thursday, and was doing as well as could be expected the first of the week.

He was in the intensive care unit. His address:

Clarence Chaffee, St. Joseph's Hospital, 326 Ingalls St., Ann Arbor, Mich. 48103.

Roderick Nicholson spent Friday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Gatehouse. Mr. and Mrs. Harold Crawford of Grand Rapids spent the weekend with them. Nancy Howard and children were Saturday callers. Mr. and Mrs. Bill Maeder and Mark called Sunday afternoon.

Arlene Dodge and baby of Grand Rapids visited Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher Saturday. She spent over night with her sister's family in Mt. Pleasant.

Walter Howe, Jim Dutcher and Dick Dutcher had Friday supper with us. Our callers during the week were Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dutcher and Rex and Dawn, Garry, Dick and Jim Dutcher, and Walter Howe.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Hardenburgh of Muskegon spent the weekend with his folks, the Harry Hardenburghs.

Harold and Percy Secord of Holt had lunch with us Tuesday. They had come to Weidman on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Owen of near Midland and Mr. and Mrs. Jack McConnell of Mt. Pleasant spent Saturday over night with the Robert Dutchers, helping them celebrate their anniversary. Garry Dutcher had breakfast with them Sunday. The Jim

Dutcher family and Becky and Kaye Dutcher were supper guests.

Mrs. Rick Maeder and sons spent Tuesday with Julia Dutcher. Julia spent Monday in Midland, at a meeting.

Walter Howe called on the Jim Dutchers Friday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Dale Dutcher of Mt. Pleasant visited the Robert and Jim Dutchers Friday evening.

Howard Beutler broke his wrist a week ago. Gale Wood has been helping him with the chores.

The Howard Beutlers visited Marion's folks, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Sanderson, of St. Charles, last Tuesday, then they all visited her grandmother, Mrs. Leslie Sanderson, at the Saginaw hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Beutler and family visited the Jim Beutler family in Rosebush Sunday afternoon. They attended Farm Bureau meeting at the home of the Don Wagesters Friday evening.

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West Gilmore

Lena Cole, Reporter

James Weingardner and friends, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Helms, called on Jim's uncle and aunt, the Paul Coles, Friday evening.

The Paul Coles made a business and pleasure trip to Muskegon Monday. We called on our cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Bawkey there.

Several called on Mrs. Orma Kripa to help her celebrate her birthday, Tuesday evening.

Mrs. Richard Warner visited Miss Velma Cole Tuesday evening.

Mrs. Orma Kripa spent Monday with Velma while her parents were in Muskegon.

Albert Geasler is doing fine since his recent surgery. Hurry home, Albert!

Merry Go Round Club met on Thursday, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hudolin, with 26 present. The next meeting will be at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Skinner May 8.

Mrs. Beulh Wixson is home from the hospital in Flint, feeling much better.

Jack Gott spent Thursday with his son, Dick.

Mr. and Mrs. Julius Allbee returned to their home Thursday, after several weeks spent at the home of Mrs. Grace Barber.

Paul Cole did some work at the Rosebush post office Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bess Pfanness called on the Paul Coles Saturday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Lester Swan were Sunday visitors.

Our sympathy to Mr. Swan in the loss of his sister, Mrs. May Sweet.

It's a very nice day (Monday) and I have an appointment with my eye doctor.

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April 17t1

Card of Thanks

We wish to thank all friends and relatives for their expressions of sympathy in the death of our mother, Isal Johnson.

We wish to thank the Stinson Funeral Home, the Rev. Athel Lynch for his comforting words, and especially the ladies of the C. M. B. Club for the lovely dinner.

The Children
 And Grandchildren

Card of Thanks

The Weidman Mothers Club would like to thank all area residents for their time and trouble in making our Mothers Club Carnival a big success.

Weidman Mothers Club

Coldwater Lake

Ruth Sherlock, Reporter
 Tel. 644-2310

Carol Matthews and Ruth Sherlock were in West Branch Monday. Mrs. Edith Lueder was in Grand Rapids Monday.

Nanette and Cheryl Matthews spent Monday afternoon with LeAnna Sherlock.

Ed and Marge Schafer called on Ed and Irene Fedewa Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. Amy Beck was hostess at a houseware party Wednesday afternoon. Edith Lueder was a guest. Later Edith attended a retirement party in honor of Lucille Gehrett, at the college.

Walt and Della Wischmeyer entertained Ed and Marge Schafer with a game of cards Wednesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bywater called on Mrs. Wayne Sherlock Thursday. Judy and Don Schafer also

called. Later in the day Judy and Ruth visited Judi and Dianne Tilmann.

Wayne and Ruth Sherlock were Thursday evening guests of the Lyle Hutchinsons. Thursday evening Melvin Schafer, Wayne and Ruth Sherlock, were coffee guests of Ed and Marge Schafer. Don and Judy Schafer entertained Ed and Marge Thursday.

Judi Tilmann and John-John and Ruth Sherlock and Eddie called on Dianne Tilmann Friday morning. In the afternoon Ruth and her mother, Marge Schafer, did some shopping in Mt. Pleasant.

Friday evening guests at the Wayne Sherlocks' were Don and Judy Schafer and Clifford, Judy's nephew.

Bill, Lynn and Brian Schafer were guests at the Ed Schafer home Friday evening.

Saturday afternoon the fire trucks put out a huge grass fire here by the side of the Lueder and Albert Tilmann homes.

Dianne and Mindy Tilmann were attendants in the wedding party of her brother, David Cross who was united in marriage Saturday to Kim Beltinck. Good luck to the young couple!

A good many of the folks from around the lake here attended the carnival at the Beal City School Saturday evening. Among them were Robert and Marsha Schumacher and boys, Glenn and Carol Matthews and family, Don and Judy Schafer and girls, and Wayne and Ruth Sherlock and family.

Wayne and Ruth Sherlock and family were in Battle Creek Sunday morning to visit Tom and Lavaune Artis.

Emil and Edith Lueder entertained his brothers and sisters and their mates Sunday. There were 14 guests to enjoy the dinner and afternoon.

Ed and Marge Schafer went to Farwell to visit Grandma Klumpp (Mable) Sunday afternoon.

Congratulations on their 21st birthdays to Robert Lee Schafer and Linda Schafer. Also Happy Over the Hill Birthday to Don A. Schafer.

Get well wishes to Nellie Wood. We all hope she is feeling lots better.

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Walker Creek News

Mary Loomis, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Lamb (Connie Loomis) of San Bernardino, Calif., are the proud parents of a baby boy, born April 13. Connie's mother, Mrs. Charles Loomis, and Mrs. Dan Stebelton and Cindy Leiter drove to California last week to spend some time with them.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Adra Reed of Oceanside, Calif., a son, on April 14. He has been named Christopher Lee.

Friday visitors of Mr. and Mrs.

Howard Monroe were his sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Smoke, from North Branch. Friday supper guests were Mr. and Mrs. Casmer Sulak, friends from Lapeer. Mr. and Mrs. Otto Yabs of Lake Isabella were Sunday evening callers, and took Ethel Mae a new dress which she had made. Mrs. Dennis Hayes took Ethel Mae to see her doctor last Wednesday.

Mrs. Gilbert Schrock and Mrs. Arthur Schrock spent Monday in Mt. Pleasant, shopping.

Mrs. Alma Dosenberry spent the weekend with her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Dosenberry, and daughter, in Rochester, Indiana. Clyde Dosenberry and children were Sunday callers of his father, Harry Dosenberry.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Towslee and Raymond from Perrinton, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Denslow and Mr. and Mrs. Willis Finney were Sunday callers of Mr. and Mrs. Otis Conley and Mr. and Mrs. Otto Skalitzky. Mr. and Mrs. Keith Thompson were Friday evening guests at the Conley home.

Mrs. Conley and Mrs. Skalitzky visited Kate Darnell at Kelsey Hospital in Lakeview Monday.

Renee Stebelton is spending the week with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Warren Leiter, while her mother is in California. Mr. and Mrs. Tim Leiter and son of Mt. Pleasant were Sunday guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Orval Reed were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy McGuire at Paris, in honor of Le Roy's birthday.

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Local Items

Mrs. Jeanette Johnston spent Saturday evening with her mother, Mrs. Claribel Beutler. Howard and Donald Beutler and Mary Beutler and children were also guests.

Mesdames Carol Graham and Yvonne Pitts hosted a baby shower Sunday at the Gilmore Church of Christ for Mrs. Nancy Brickner. About 29 ladies attended, and Mrs. Brickner received some lovely gifts.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Beutler and children, Billy and Brenda, and Mrs. Claribel Beutler spent Sunday evening with the Jim Beutlers of Rosebush.

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

Mr. and Mrs. Doug Jackson and son of Mt. Pleasant were Saturday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Wilcox.

Mr. and Mrs. Gary McArthur and children spent Saturday at her mother's cottage at New Era. They were dinner guests of her mother, Mrs. Cecilia St. Germaine, of Mt. Pleasant.

BETTER THAN A LETTER

Simmer Triplets Pose With Doctor For This Charming Picture



The above photo shows Dr. J. Gillett of Weidman, with three of "his babies", the Simmer triplets, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Simmer. The picture was taken by Mae Wolfe, who says she is going to send one to Dr. Dafoe of the Dionne Quints' fame. The girls are, left to right: Kathleen, Rosaleen and Eileen.

Weidman Messenger, Nov. 25, 1938.

The Simmer triplets grew up happily, and all are married, have children, and Kathleen is a grandmother.

Kathleen is Mrs. Larry Brickner, Rosaleen is Mrs. Leon Cole of St. Johns, and Eileen is Mrs. John Corbitt of rural Shepherd.

The old photo was among items sorted out in Ina Gillett's house in Weidman in preparation for renting it. It is now occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Nate England of near Saranac.

Some antique items were sold at good prices, with all proceeds going to the Weidman United Methodist Church.

Among mementos from Dr. Gillett's era were found a prescription pad from Jack Johnson's Mt. Pleasant Rexall Drug Store, the only drug store there featuring the Rexall products, at that time.

Among the most cherished reminders, of course, were the memories of the days when we had our own doctor, here in Weidman. And he came to our homes, too.

Imagine that.

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Brinton News

Frances Beck, Reporter

Sorry to hear Albert Geasler is critically ill in Ferguson Hospital in Grand Rapids. Everyone is hoping for a speedy recovery, Albert.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Tower were in Big Rapids one night last week shopping.

Linda, Eunice and Madelyn La Londe and Cora Beers were in Mt. Pleasant Thursday.

Nora and Ellen Geasler, Marilyn Fosberg and I attended Merry Go Round Club meeting at the Hudolin home Thursday, with 25 in attendance. The May meeting, May 8, is with Paula Skinner.

George Beers and Wayne La Londe have been installing cupboards at the Ken Gray home.

Mr. and Mrs. George Holland and daughter, Micky, and husband were Sunday guests of their mother, Jane Fields, and uncle, Alfred Bartley, last week Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Wright were at Flat Rock at the Verl Wright home a week ago, when they took their grandsons, Colin and Nolan, home, after spending the week with them.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Teeter of Grand Rapids spent the weekend with his mother, Edna Teeter, and they were all Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Place. Mrs. Ruth Teeter and family also attended the family get-together.

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NEWS NOTES

Mrs. Walter J. Smith and Wally Joe enjoyed the Carnival at the Weidman School Saturday evening. Joan Burden and Jeanne were clowns, and had a ball--and so did the kids.

UNITED METHODIST MEN'S

FALL

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Saturday, APRIL 19

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Dora Smith, Reporter

BEAL CITY KINDERGARTEN ROUNDUP NEXT MONDAY

The Beal City Public Schools will hold their annual Kindergarten Roundup next Monday, April 21. Enrollment of next year's kindergarten class will take place in the school cafeteria.

Children with last names A through R will enroll at 9 a. m. while those with names S through Z will enroll at 1 p. m. Parents are expected to bring their children with them when they enroll. A program is planned for both the children and parents.

A child must be five years of age on or before Dec. 1, 1975, to be eligible for registration. Parents should take the child's birth certificate when they enroll.

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Mr. and Mrs. Harold Schafer, Mr. and Mrs. Allen Schafer, Chum Schafer and sons and Jack Cotter spent Tuesday evening with Henry and Rose Schafer.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Schumacher of Traverse City spent the weekend with Mrs. Helen Schumacher.

Stephanie Anne, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Pohl, was baptized in St. Joseph the Worker Church Sunday.

The school carnival at Beal City had a good turnout Saturday evening, and everyone enjoyed

it greatly.

Mrs. Rita Vogel came home from the Mt. Pleasant Hospital Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Aloysius Schumacher and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Schafer called on Mr. and Mrs. Julius Bierschbach Sunday evening.

Dora Smith called on Mrs. John Smith Wednesday.

There was a good turnout at the quilting bee at the KC Hall Tuesday, and a good lot of work was accomplished.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Block called on Mr. and Mrs. Ed Fedewa last Tuesday.

Dora Smith baby-sat for Mr. and Mrs. Everett Schafer Wednesday.

Mrs. Carl Tilmann and Mrs. Rose Schafer called on Mrs. Ann Schafer Wednesday.

Mrs. Joe Gross and daughter, Elena, and her two daughters and Pat called on Louise Smith Sunday afternoon. They also called on Matie Pung. Mr. and Mrs. Walter Rau and Larry and Delores and Brian Gould were also visitors.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gould and family and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Rau and family, spent Sunday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Larry Rau and family, celebrating Larry's birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Kavanaugh spent Thursday evening with Tillie Schafer.

Ann Eldred, Alice Tatro, Pat Moody and Shirley Gates and

Ruth Klumpp spent Wednesday with Tillie Schafer.

Vera Kavanaugh, Maureen Schmalbach and Pat Wilson spent Thursday in Saginaw.

Ed and Margie Schafer called on Tillie Schafer Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Schafer and girls of Mt. Pleasant called on Louise Schafer Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Lane of Grand Rapids spent the weekend with the Bob Schafers. Tillie Schafer was a Sunday guest.

Dora Smith called on Mr. and Mrs. Ed Zeien Sunday evening.

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Local Items

Floyd Dutcher was one of our returning residents from a winter in Florida. He arrived home last week Tuesday.

Mrs. Alton Allen returned home Saturday after spending a week at the home of her son, Alton Allen, Jr., in St. Louis.

Carl and Daisy Embrey planned to get home the middle of this week after spending most of the winter in Florida.

Mrs. Sue Embrey and family accompanied Mrs. Nancy Clark and children to the Weidman School carnival Saturday even-

ing. They report a good crowd and a wonderful evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Louisell spent last Wednesday at Harrison, visiting her sister, Mrs. Milo Handy.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter J. Smith and Wally, Mrs. Joan Burden and Edie, and Mrs. Ada Wood attended the musical, "The Sound of Music," put on by the Chippewa Hills High School students Thursday evening. They said it was an outstanding performance.

Mr. and Mrs. Emil Phillips spent Sunday in Bay City, visiting Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Brenay, and were dinner guests, honoring Mrs. Phillips' birthday. They stopped in Midland on their way home, to visit their niece and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Valentine, and enjoyed a few games of cards.

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Momany and son, Ken, and Mr. and Mrs. Roger Foust and baby, all of Big Rapids, spent Sunday with Mrs. Ruth Momany.

Owen and Flossie Jarman of Rosebush were Friday afternoon guests of Mrs. Grace Pitts. Mr. and Mrs. Elwyn Pitts and children and Egbert Fordyce were Sunday dinner guests.

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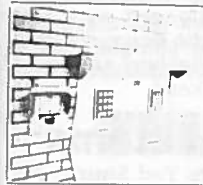
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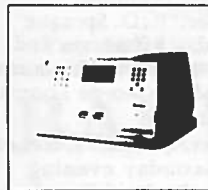
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AUCTIONEERS WORK HARD TO GET GOOD PRICES--For the myriad items donated to Sunday's huge gathering at Ernest Davy's place on the east edge of Weidman, for the benefit of Eddie Norman, 18-year-old Chippewa High School student paralyzed as the result of a gun accident last year. All afternoon the big crowds moved about, enjoying coffee and visiting and picking up items on bidding led by the auctioneers.
Messenger photo

North Weidman

Elvah Gott, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Wally Spence of Lowell, formerly of Weidman, are the proud parents of a baby boy, born April 11, weight seven pounds, 12 ounces, at Grand Rapids Osteopathic Hospital. He will answer to the name of Todd Allen.

Zena Olger and sister, Myrtle Decker, and Mr. and Mrs. Norwood Van Warmer visited at the Dewey Allbee home Thursday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Frey of Bay City were Saturday callers at Zena's home.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Abbott visited their doctor Monday. They visited Paula Maeder Sunday. She is able to sit up some now.

Mr. and Mrs. Norwood Van Warmer and Zena Olger and sister, Myrtle Decker, took in the REACT sale for Eddie Norman.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Parker called on Mr. and Mrs. Micky Abbott Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Abbott arrived home Sunday night, April 13, from Florida.

Thursday Helen Alwood, Lena Cole and I attended the Merry Go Round Club at the home of Melanie Hudolin on Battle Road. We took John to the home of his son, Dick Gott, on Herrick Road while we were at the club meeting.

Mrs. Bessie Allen called on us last Wednesday. Mr. and Mrs. Albert Gott called Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Steve Aldrich of Lansing and Mr. and Mrs. Ken Brown and son were weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Max Aldrich.

Mrs. Wanda Graham and Debbie and Mrs. Helen Alwood and

Cathy attended the 25th wedding anniversary Open House for Mr. and Mrs. Norman Buchel at the American Legion Hall at Rosebush Sunday afternoon. Helen and Cathy also attended the 25th wedding anniversary party for Joe and Doris Wilnot at the Deerfield Township Hall in the evening.

Cathy Alwood, Lori England and Marlee Blodgett were among Girl Scouts who delivered their cookies to neighbors and friends over the weekend.

Local Items

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Smith and Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Smith spent Saturday at Rifle River, fishing. They reported no luck.

Mr. and Mrs. R.D. Sprague spent Thursday afternoon and were supper guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Looman in Cedar Springs.

Mr. and Mrs. Jacques Coon of Lake were Saturday evening guests at the Richard Touchinski home.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Dent of Farwell were Wednesday luncheon guests of Mr. and Mrs. R.D. Sprague.

Mrs. Richard Touchinski and girls were dinner guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Miller, and enjoyed a visit with her aunt, Betty Merrihew, of Flint.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Dent of Farwell and Mr. and Mrs. R.D. Sprague were Friday supper guests at the Andy Bellinger home.

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In the Editor's Mail

Dear Connie:

Just a line to let you know I will be home the 18th, so send the Messenger to my home address. I will be looking for it down here the 14th, and up home the 18th.

My cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Art Schneider of Grand Rapids, have been down here in Florida for a month, so we have had an enjoyable time going places.

We saw the Cypress Gardens--such beautiful flowers, trees, waterways--and a gift shop! We saw a water show there. Went across the skyway bridge to St. Petersburg and saw a dolphin show there, and saw lots of animals and birds in cages. Saw a seal and dolphin show at Cape Coral. Also went to Okeechobee Lake at Clewiston and had lunch there at a real pit, old-South Bar-B-Q ranch. Cowgirls with guns serve you. They have displays of old relics used in pio-

neer homes, and lots more.

Better close and get this in the mail. The weather is beautiful here, and in the 80s every day. It rained one day in the last month.

Laura Latham
Punta Gorda, Florida
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Two Rivers

Blanche Carr, Reporter

Mrs. E. R. Rhode and Harold called on Mr. and Mrs. Harry Allen Tuesday evening.

Mrs. Paul Lueder attended a family dinner at the Emil Lueder home at Coldwater Lake Sunday.

Mrs. Diane Heckard and baby, April, called on Mrs. E. R. Rhode and Harold Friday evening.

Tim Jackson called on Harold Rhode Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Kolassa and baby were Sunday guests of her folks, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Courser.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Strang spent Thursday evening with Mrs. Leona Courser. Mrs. Courser went to Billings Rest Home to see her brother, Fred Woodruff, Sunday.

Mrs. June Plank visited her mother, Blanche Carr, Thursday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Norman Carr and Melissa and Mrs. Elizabeth Billsby of Merrill were Saturday callers.

Mrs. Flossie Sellers was a Thursday visitor of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Hines. Mrs. Flossie Flachs and daughter, Mrs. Romana Youngs, and baby of Remus were Sunday

guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Hines had a call from Oceanside, Calif., saying that they were great-grandparents of a baby boy, Christopher Roy, born to Mr. and Mrs. Adra Reed.

Mrs. Charles Garrett went to visit her mother, Mrs. Ruth Keyser, of West Branch, Monday. Mrs. Garrett and Mrs. Terry Martin visited Mr. and Mrs. Lachlan MacGregor at their new home near St. Louis.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Flaucher attended the 25th wedding anniversary Open House for Mr. and Mrs. Joe Wilmot at the Deerfield Township Hall Sunday. They spent Friday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Ron Flaucher and family.

Richard Flaucher and sons were visitors of the Ray Flauchers Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Orves Cook, Glee Krueger and Alliance Cook attended church services at St. Matthew's Church at Freeland Sunday evening.

Mrs. F. Harper of Mt. Pleasant was a Sunday guest of Mrs. Nettie Baker.

Blane Stansell is a patient in CMC Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Moses were

Sunday supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Lieder.

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Jessie Rosencrantz, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Ed McDonald and family were Sunday guests of the Earl Oplingers. Mr. and Mrs. Oplinger and Mr. and Mrs. Bill McDonald attended a dance at Rosebush Friday evening, to help retarded children.

Mrs. Nettie Lawrence called on her brother and wife, the Ed Grabers, at Farwell, Sunday.

Sunday callers at the Joe Martin home were Mr. and Mrs. Pat Carroll, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Carroll, Mrs. Lena Martin and Brenda, and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bryan and family.

Sunday guests at the Mack Denslow home were Mr. and Mrs. Robert Denslow and children, Mrs. Joyce Chaffee, and Mrs. Barbara North and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Merrihew and their son, Dale, and wife, were Saturday overnight and Sunday guests at the Elwood Miller home. Other Sunday guests were Mrs. Mabel Allen of Lansing, Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Dent, Mr. and Mrs. Jacques Coon, George Miller, and Mrs. Dick Touchinski and daughters.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Miller and Mrs. Flora Wood spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Martin Boger, looking at old family pictures.

Mrs. Margaret Denslow and Mrs. Flora Wood called on Mrs. Eva Denslow at the hospital Friday afternoon, and also called at the Ralph Bergquist home.

Mr. and Mrs. Theron Merrihew called Sunday afternoon at the Charlie Losey home. Floyd Dutcher was a dinner guest.

Mrs. Betty Thompson attended Mary Martha Circle at the home of Lillian McArthur Monday evening. She also attended Busy Bees at the home of Mrs. Alma Dosenberry Thursday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Wood and Andy were Thursday evening guests at the Thompson home.

Mrs. Thompson and Bob attended The Sound of Music presentation Saturday evening at the high school.

Mr. and Mrs. Thompson and Bill spent Sunday with the John Thompsons, and on the way home they called on the George Pobosik family at Grand Blanc.

Vance Wood spent from Tuesday through Thursday at Munson Hospital, undergoing ear surgery.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Losey, Floyd Dutcher, Mr. Jones, Alva's nephew from Houghton Lake, and I were Sunday afternoon callers at the Alva Cummins home.

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NEWS NOTES

Rev. Hilding W. Kilgren, pastor of the Sturgis First Church, is recovering from a heart attack suffered March 25 at his home. He is in Room 355, at Sturgis Community Hospital.

Wilbur Reinert of Coldwater Lake and son, Herbert, and friend from Lansing were Sunday dinner guests of Mrs. Leah Scharer.

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50TH ANNIVERSARY



MR. AND MRS. ALVIE MOORE

Mr. and Mrs. Alvie Moore of Lake will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary with an Open House in their honor Sunday, April 27, from 2 to 5 p. m., at the Senior Citizens Center at Barryton. The couple were married at Mt. Pleasant April 28, 1925, by Rev. C.B. Hawkins.

All friends and relatives are cordially invited to attend the Open House, given by their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Cleo Moore, and family, of Fenton.

The family requests no gifts, please.

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JAN LOUISELL

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credit for the program.

Jan has a full-time baby-sitter for four-year-old daughter Heather, but she manages to get in a great deal of time with her little girl, too.

"Sometimes I bring Heather back with me for athletic meets at the school," Jan told a reporter for the Chronicle. "It was worse when I was coaching, it was every night then. By the time I got home and made dinner, Heather would have to go to bed an hour later."

The Chronicle said, "Jan Louisell's enthusiasm and knowledge is evident when she talks about all the programs at Spring Lake, and that makes Tom Hickman a pretty lucky athletic director."

Jan is engaging in a search for qualified women to coach girls' sports.

"Right now we've got a man coaching tennis, track and softball," Jan said. She said that women who are now coaching girls' sports basically come from physical education departments, and she would like to see more

women from other areas get into coaching.

"There's a big difference between teaching physical education and coaching a sport," Jan said.

Spring Lake High School is about to start its best spring sports season yet, as far as participation goes. About 35 girls went out for track and 45 for softball. Jan indicated that girls' participation in all other spring sports is also up at that school.

Jan feels that Spring Lake is ahead of a lot of schools in offering girls' sports, and that the school is moving more rapidly than others in its physical education programs.

Jan can rattle off a long list of units offered in phys ed at Spring Lake, with everything from deck tennis and bowling to skin diving, skiing, ice fishing, ice hockey, and snowmobiling.

Among her goals is the expansion of Junior High School sports programs in her school.

Like we said, the old Weidman High School turned out some really good citizens.

Jan is married to Richard Louisell, who also graduated from the old Weidman High and since then has held a good job with the federal government.

Jan graduated from the Weidman High School in 1961. Her sister, Patricia Louisell, and Pat's husband, Bill Louisell, Jr., also graduated from WHS, and the latter both hold Masters' degrees.

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NEWS NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Louisell and Heather of Spring Lake spent the weekend with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Louisell.

Mrs. Lucille Smith called on Mr. and Mrs. Vic Hamink at

Horsehead Lake Friday evening. Mrs. Hamink is the former Edith Smith.

Dale Bywater of Midland was a Sunday caller of Mrs. Ethel Bywater.

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