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Editor's

Column

By Connie ONE MORE ISSUE AND WE TAKE A VACATION! Whee.

Just one more issue to get out--next week's--and Ye Ed and her faithful news writers will skip the following week and take a week's vacation.

Whee.

We'll give you the June 26 issue, which we'll combine with the July 3 issue--in other words, we skip the first week of July.

This is a twice-annual event for us, and we really need it. (The older we get, the more we need it.) We skip the first week of January, and the first week of July.

Always, during the last four or five weeks of a six-months' stretch, Ye Ed sort of sags, and this year we're right on schedule. When we sag, we're apt to make mistakes (which we loathe, in print), or skimp some feature we really should get in, or some other grubby shirking of duty as

editor and publisher. But--we'll get out next week's paper and take a rest. So will our news writers. But we'll be back for the July 10 issue, all of us. Better, we hope, for a rest.

Nobody gets vacation pay, on the Messenger, not even the editor. We just quit for a week, and that's that.

But all of us on the paper really do need a short rest twice a year, and now we're nearly there for the summer dropout.

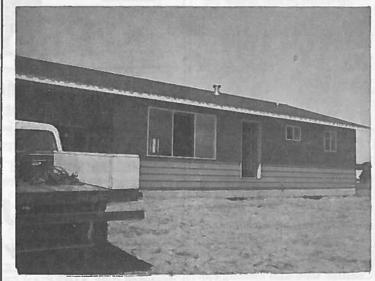
Whee. ****

We're indebted to Jack Bellows for some delightful wild strawberries he picks by the quart up on the hills on the Walt Smith acreage.

There's nothing quite like the taste of real wild strawberries, and it's been so long, we sort of thought they'd disappeared, with other wild treasures destroyed in the making of a lake on swamp lands and wildlife areas.

Jack said that Nina Carrick made him some wild strawberry jam, from some of his pickings, and that's another delicacy we've forgotten how to enjoy.

There's a lot of work in picking the little berries, lugging them Th home. "picking them over." and age.



HOUSING DEVELOPMENT IN WEIDMAN--Shown above is the second lovely modern home Dale Tilmann has built on what we used to know as the Dr. J.H. Clark place. The new house has been purchased (before completion) by Dale Simons of Barryton, who is the clock repairman at Jarrett's Jewelers in Mt. Pleasant, and husband of the former Mary Ellen Baxter, daugh-Messenger photo

ter of Mrs. Virginia Baxter.

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The entire Clark property was platted into small lots when the Village of Weidman was platted by John S. Weidman, before th turn of the century. Today the lots must be larger, so the developer has simply put two of the original lots together to make one, thus satisfying state and regional specifications.

Excavation has been started on a new home for Russell Wilson, a former Weidman resident. (The Wilsons, in the early days, lived where Don Abbott's home now is.) The Wilsons will move to their beautiful new home, from rural Rosebush, as soon as the house is completed.

Dale and Russell Tilmann, sons of the Raymond Tilmanns of Beal City, bought and remodeled and enlarged the Drive In Restaurant three years ago, and their families helped run the operation. Dale is still owner, having leased it to the Ed Osborns.

Dale is doing all right on his big-scale purchase of the Clark acres. He is conducting a single-

processing them into jam. Minnie Roe used to make wild strawberry jam, and we still have her recipe--but we don't have the moral strength to go through what it takes to make it. That's modern times--and old

handed private housing development in Weidman.

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---0--COLDWATER LAKE

ASSOCIATION MEETS JUNE 21 The June meeting of the Coldwater Lake Association will be held this Saturday, June 21, at the 4-H Camp on the lake, at 7.45 p.m.

All members and area residents are invited to attend. In addition to any topics suggested by those in attendance, there will be discussion of road maintenance, pollution, and zoning.

BRINTON CEMETERY LOSES \$2200.00 WORTH OF EQUIPMENT TO THIEVES

Thieves broke into the vault building at the North Brinton Cemetery Friday night and stole an Allis Chalmers tractor with lawn mower and bulldozer blade along with its loading plank, the whole kit valued at \$2200.00. Among other lesser items stolen were an old wood stove taken from another building at the cemetery.

Isabella County Sheriff's men are working on the case. ---0---

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Wilson were Friday evening callers of Mrs. Nina Forbes.

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LIGHT INDUSTRY SITE SOLD BY LAKE ISABELLA Lake Isabella Corporation has sold a building site for a light-industry plant, situated between the Richard and Jack Cook farms on Coldwater Road, South, it was learned this week.

The new manufacturing plant is now owned by the Randell Corporation, a new company, headquartered in Mt. Pleasant, with Lou Rostelli as president.

Unverified accounts have it the plant will manufacture stainlesssteel cookware for restaurants. and will use the public runways at the Lake Isabella Airport, scheduled for great enlargement.

The company is expected to employ a good number of workers when the plant is completed. ---0---

FLORENCE SCHAFER WINS

AWARD AT MT. PLEASANT The Center for Human Development (formerly the Mt. Pleasant Home and Training School) has announced its second annual winner of the Dieter Award, Florence Schafer of rural Weidman. Mrs. Schafer has been employed at Cottage 5 at the Center since January, 1968.

The award was established by the Michigan Association of Retarded Citizens in Memory of John B. Dieter, director of the Department of Mental Health's Division of Mental Retardation at the time of his accidental death several years ago. To be eligible, an employee

must be a direct care worker who has contributed significantly to the care and over-all development of a resident or group of residents at the Center.

Mrs. Schafer will receive \$100 and will represent the Center at MARC's annual conference at Sugar Loaf Village at Cedar, Mich., June 26-28.

---0---WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

FOR THE DON LOFGRENS The children of Don and Maxine Lofgren are holding an Open House in honor of their 25th wedding anniversary Sunday June 29, at their home at 17210 East M-106, Stockbridge, Mich. starting at 2 p.m. Lunch will be served. Friends

and neighbors are cordially invited to attend.

The Lofgrens are former residents of the Weidman area.

WEIDMAN MESSENGER

Around Horr Jessie Rosencrantz, Reporter

The Golden Wedding anniversary reception for Pat and Harriet Dillenbeck Sunday was very well attended, despite the very stormy day, with lots of rain. The party was held in the home of Gerald and Mabel Dent instead of at their private park as planned, but everyone enjoyed a wonderful day.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Martin returned Saturday evening from a week's stay at their cabin at Copemish. Sunday guests at the Martin home were Mr. and Mrs. Charles Garner, Mrs. Lena Mar-tin and Brenda, Mrs. Jane Jones, Mrs. Loretta Dehkes and daughter and Mrs. Bob Byron and children.

Mr. and Mrs. Sterling Oplinger were Thursday dinner guests at the Earl Oplinger home, celebrating Sterling and Violet's wedding anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. Ed McDonald and family were Sunday afternoon guests of the Earl Oplingers.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Thompson went to the Bishop Airport in Flint a week ago Sunday to meet their cousin, Mrs. Wilma Baxter, of Portland, Ore. She spent the week with them, and visited other relatives. Mr. and Mrs. John Baxter spent a few days in Flint and then joined his mother at the Thompson home. They all attended a party for the Thompson and Denslow cousins at the Masonic Hall in Remus Saturday afternoon. The Baxters left to go home from the Flint Airport Sunday. It had been 10 years since Mrs. Baxter had been here.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Thompson and their guests spent Wednesday afternoon and evening with the Chuck Wilson family in Grand Rapids. Mr. and Mrs. Herb De Witt were callers at the Thompson home.

Mr. and Mrs. Al Cochran and Charlene Gross and Robbie were Sunday callers at the Gerald Losey home.

Mrs. Opal Denslow and Mrs. Eva Denslow enjoyed Sunday evening luncheon with Mrs. Margaret Denslow.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Oplinger and Kenny and Eddie and Miss Sandy Dutcher and Miss Janet Beers were Sunday dinner guests of the Sterling Oplingers, celebrat-ing Father's Day and Eddie's

birthday. Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Swartz of Pinconning were Monday callers at the Paul Miller home.

Mrs. Opal Denslow and Mrs. Margaret Denslow attended Open House honoring Mr. and Mrs. Pat Dillenbeck on their 50th wedding anniversary Sunday, at the Gerald Dent home, and later attended the 40th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Fitzgerald at Remus.

Mrs. Onal Denslow and Mr.

and Mrs. Clayton Beutler attended the funeral of their cousin, Don Labo. in Flint, Saturday. He was the son of Ray Labo of the Barryton area.

Callers of Mrs. Eva Denslow during last week were Mr. and Mrs. Harry Merritt of Florida and Mrs. Hattie Losey and Jessie Rosencrantz.

Callers of Mrs. Flora Wood during the week were Mr. and Mrs. Mack Denslow, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Swartz of Roscommon, Mrs. Helen Geasler of Remus, Mrs. Bessie Weeks and friend, and Mrs. Iva Staley of Hart.

Mr. and Mrs. Benn Johnson took their son, Kevin, to a music camp near Jackson Sunday. Their oldest boy is at a band camp at Kansas City, Kansas. Both boys will be home this weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Dent called on her mother Tuesday, and Mabel called to see her doctor Thursday.

Mrs. Evelyn Roberts and daughter, Judy, and Mrs. Geraline Johnson and Sherri and Sandra were Sunday guests of their folks, Gerald and Mabel Dent. The Dents were Wednesday supper guests at the Krueger home.

Floyd Dutcher was a Monday caller at the Charles Losey home Mr. and Mrs. Roy Dutcher of Cadillac were also Monday callers. Mrs. Violet Oplinger, Mrs. Leah Scharrer and I spent Tuesday morning with Hattie. Clayton Dutcher called Wednesday. Saturday callers were Mr. and Mrs. Theron Merrihew, Don Merrihew, and Greg and Brenda, and Harold Losey. Sunday dinner guests were Mr. and Mrs. Theron Merrihew, Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Losey and Nancy, Patti, Gary and Beth, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Chapman and Chad, and Tim Jackson. Mr. and Mrs. Harold Losey were supper guests. George Miller was a Sunday

dinner guest of his folks, the Elwood Millers. George called on Frances Tranbarger and Connie Skinner in Weidman Friday evening.

Many friends and relatives from Grand Rapids, Mt. Pleas-ant, Niles, Mich., Saginaw, Lansing and Weidman met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Pete Fox to congratulate Terry Green on his graduation and two-year scholarship to Ferris State College. All enjoyed a sumptuous dinner.

---0---NEWS NOTES

Mrs. Tom Flower and children of Petersburg, Mich., are spending a couple of weeks with Mr. and Mrs. David Flower, while Tom is at Gravling with the National Guard.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Green of Wheeler were Sunday guests of their sister, Mrs. Alton Allen. They also visited her Tuesday of this week.

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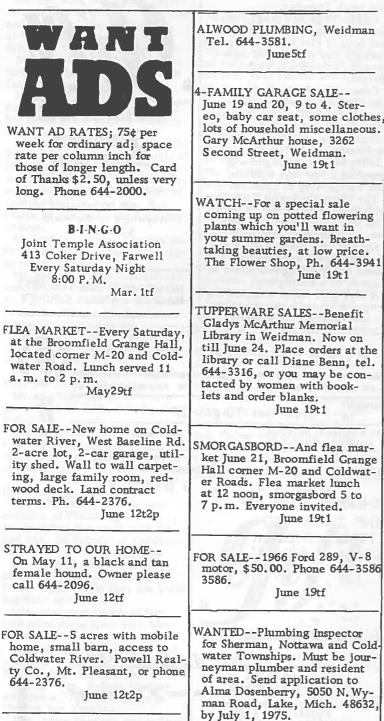


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Card of Thanks

We would like to thank our children for giving us a 25th wedding anniversary reception. Thanks to all the relatives, friends and neighbors for the many gifts, cards and congratu-lations we received.

They were deeply appreciated, and will always be remembered. Harvey and Neita Blackmer

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 p.m. Prayer Meeting (Wednesday), 7 p.m.

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,

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

days, 3 p.m. Methodist Men, 4th Saturday,

6.30 p.m.

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

Rev. Edwin Schmelzer, Past 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. Evening Service, 7.30 p.m.

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Local Items

Ivan Allen entered CMC Hospital at Mt. Pleasant last week Tuesday, and was transferred to St. Mary's Hospital in Saginaw Saturday. He was reported in fair condition, and was scheduled for surgery Wednesday for a ruptured blood vessel in his head.

This week is the Golden Wedding anniversary of John J. and Gertrude Middlesworth, June 20, in Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Middlesworth and family of Holt were weekend guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Middlesworth.

Avis Saterlee of Belding spent the weekend with her sister, Mrs Helen Smith. Mrs. Smith and Ula Cummins took her to Mc-Neilly's Restaurant at Barryton Sunday, honoring her birthday. Saturday the two sisters visited their cousin, Marie Weide, of Edmore, and had lunch with her.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Damitio of Lake Isabella spent Saturday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Gary Mc-Arthur.

Mr. and Mrs. Ron Apple and Janet Pitts of Lansing were home for Father's Day with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Pitts. All enjoyed Sunday dinner with the George Getchels of Gilmore. Bernard and Yvonne had their grandson, Jonathan, son of the David Woods of Lansing, for a week while his parents were vacationing. He has been attend-ing daily vacation Bible School at the Gilmore Church.

The children of Frank Goodrich sponsored a Father's Day party at the home of Mr.and Mrs. John Pick, on Lake of the hills, Sunday. All of the family and their families were present.

Mrs. Leila Shook and Mr. and Mrs. Gale Krueger and family spent Father's Day with their father and grandfather, Arthur Taylor, of Bentley. Mr. Tay-lor is 89 years old, and doing fine.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Wilson of Lake were Wednesday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Emil Phillips. Mr. and Mrs. Paul Sanders and new baby were Saturday evening visitors. Mr. and Mrs. Phillips spent Sunday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Bushree.

Mrs. Grace Pitts spent the weekend with her daughter, Mrs. Elaine Esterline, at Farwell. Mrs. John Ireland and daughter of Midland were Sunday afternoon visitors of Mrs. Pitts.

S. W. Sherman Goldie Dutcher, Reporter

Ken Pung and Denise, Deane and Danelle Yuncker were Sunday afternoon visitors of ours. Ken visited Steve Dutcher one evening during the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Dutcher and Patti had Sunday dinner with her folks, the Theodore Cases. The Cases had all their children home for dinner.

Dawn and Patti Dutcher spent last Sunday over night with us.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Dutcher and sons of Mt. Pleasant spent Saturday with us.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Dutcher and girls of Flint spent Saturday and Sunday visiting her mother, Alice Simkins, and us. They went to Clare Sunday evening to visit friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dutcher and family, Jim Dutcher and Richard Dutcher and Patti were Sunday callers.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Gatehouse and family, Mr. and Mrs. Gary Gatehouse and family and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Maeder and Mark were Father's Day dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Gatehouse.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Maeder and Mark and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Osborn and family spent from Monday till Thursday night at Brimley.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Dutcher and

girls of Lake Orion came up Saturday and stayed till the first of the week with the Ervin Dutchers. Mr. and Mrs. Jack Gaudard and family of Midland and Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher, Jr., and Sandra and Eddie Oplinger, were Sunday dinner guests, and spent the day. Mr. and Mrs. Brian Dutcher and Chad were also dinner guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher and Sandra and Linda and Eddie Oplinger attended Open House for Carl and Grace Fitzgerald at the Remus Town Hall Sunday afternoon, on their 40th anniversary.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Yuncker and Kim and Shelly and Dawn Dutcher had lunch with us one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Chaffee attended the 40th anniversary party for Carl and Grace Fitzgerald at Remus Sunday afternoon.

Marion Beutler was a delegate to the annual conference of the West Michigan United Methodist Churches from Wednesday through Saturday noon at Albion. Laurel and Donald went with her and spent the time visiting an aunt, Jane Shuring, of Kalamazoo.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Beutler and children spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Sanderson of St. Charles, and called on Claribel Beutler at CMC Hospital on their way home. Mr. and Mrs. Carl Beutler and Diane and Billy spent the week in the Upper Peninsula with the Grand Families of the Eastern Star. Brenda stayed with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Schultheiss, of St. Johns. ---0---

Brinton News Frances Beck, Reporter

I called on Grace Seymour at CMC Hospital in Mt. Pleasant last week Thursday.

Evelyn Slupe and family of Grand Rapids and Veryl Wright and boys of Flat Rock were guests Father's Day weekend of their parents, Russell and Violet Wright.

Connie Fletcher and Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Haenke and boys spent Father's Day with their parents, Lewis and Irene Bowen. Dora Laing of Detroit called

on Flossie Forbes Tuesday. Lillie Maddox of Saginaw is spending a few days with me and Velma Amy of Gilmore.

The Merry Go Round Club met with Maggie Boger last Thursday. The July meeting will be with me, on Thursday, July 10.

Mr. and Mrs. George Beers and grandson, Pat, and Dewayne La Londe are spending two weeks in Canada on a fishing trip.

A very nice crowd attended the programs Friday evening put on by the Vacation Bible School

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at the Brinton Chapel. Mr. and Mrs. Hourd Laing of Detroit and Frank Gute of Owosso spent Tuesday with Dad and

me. Nick and Andy Godwin spent a few days with Grandma Eathel Beers while their mother, Echo Godwin, visited some friends at the Straits.

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Beal City Dora Smith, Reporter

Vern Crittenden called on Mrs. Louise Smith and Dora last Mon-

day. Mrs. Theresa Fox returned home from the Medical Facility at Mt. Pleasant. Mrs. Rose Hauck visited her Monday.

Linus Esch and Mrs. Paul Esch and three children called on Mrs. Louise Smith Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Blasen entertained Mr. and Mrs. Bucky Smith and family of Lansing and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Trowbridge and family of Midland Father's Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Smith en-tertained the Smith families for Father's Day, Sunday. Mr.and Mrs. Wayne Schafer

and Mr. and Mrs. LaVerne Yuncker spent a few days in Washington, D.C., last week. Mrs. John Schumacher, Lucille

Zeien and Mrs. Wilfred Martin of Mt. Pleasant called on Mrs. Louise Smith and Dora Monday after noon. Mr. and Mrs. Bill Gross of Lansing and Mr. and Mrs. Ben Platte of Portland were Saturday callers.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Theisen entertained their children for Fath-

er's Day, Sunday. Mr.and Mrs. Tom Bierschbach entertained the entire family for Father's Day. Mrs. Julius Biersch bach was able to spend a few hours with them Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Blasen spent Saturday with Oscar Fedewa at Houghton Lake.

Dora Smith called on Mr. and Mrs. Joe Keiffer Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Grinzinger called on Tillie Schafer Saturday.

Robert Schafer and Sharon Mc Coy were married Saturday in Alma, and had their reception at the K. of C. Hall in Beal City

Tillie Schafer spent Sunday at the Bob Schafers'

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Schafer and children of Plattsburgh, N. Y., are spending the week with Mr. and Mrs. Ed Schafer at Coldwater Lake.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Grinzinger and family moved in with Mrs. Frank Engler while they are building their new home.

Mrs. Margaret Smith of Burr Oak spent some time with Mrs. Gertrude Gross.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Schafer and children were Monday callers of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Schafer.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Simmer enjoyed a Tiger ball game in Detroit last Tuesday.

Mrs. Mary Sheahan was a Tues-day caller of her mother, Mrs. Cecilia Simmer.

Michael Schafer, who is a sol-dier at Fort Hood, Texas, spent a few days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Schafer. He also attended the funeral of his grandmother, Mrs. John Schafer.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin Appelgreen of Big Rapids visited relatives here recently. Larry Schmidt, who is attending college in Syracuse, N.Y., is spending two weeks with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Schmidt.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Zuker were recent visitors of Mrs. Elizabeth Neubecker.

Mr. and Mrs. Isadore Schafer returned home last Tuesday, after spending a week with their grandson and family in Colorado

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North Weidman Elvah Gott, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Abbott and Judy spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Jack Parrish and children in Mt. Pleasant.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Burley spent the weekend with their son-inlaw and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ptak, and Brian.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Letson, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Olger and Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Theisen of Mt. Pleasant visited last Tursday at the home of Mrs. Zena Olger. Mr. and Mrs. Carl Williams called Friday and took Zena home with them, and Saturday they all went to the Case School Reunion at Farwell. Zena met lots of old friends and one of her teachers, Anna Wood, who is 91 years old and gets around well Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Albert Gott and Flossie Allen of Winn took us to visit our nephew and niece, Mr. and Mrs. Harley Drake, and granddaughter, Cindy Dunkle, at Chippewa Lake. Wanda and Debbie Graham tool me to our doctor at Evart this week Monday. Cathy Alwood went with us. We called on her mother Saturday at CMC Hosp tal. Helen was coming along fine after surgery, and hoped to be home about this week Wednes-

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day. Laura Latham, Zena Olger and Cathy Alwood and I attended the Merry Go Round Club last Thursday at the home of Maggie Boger. About 20 attended, besides some visitors.

Visitors at our home last week were Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Cain of Morley, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Gott and Tena of Stanton, Wanda Graham and Debbie, who were in nearly every day. Friday they took us to our doctor and spent some time with Mr. and Mrs. Gail Sowle (Becky). Cathy Alwood has been with us every day while her mother was in the hospital. Mr. and Mrs. John F. Gott of Riverdale were also among our

visitors last week. Helen Alwood expected to

come home from CMC Hospital Wednesday, after surgery last week Tuesday. Mr. and Mrs. Rusty Alwood

and family entertained her folks, Mr. and Mrs. Chum Methner, of Blanchard; and Don Alwood and Cathy, honoring Father's Day. All enterjoyed barbecued chick en dinner.

Donny Alwood left Sunday for a few days' fishing and camping at the Kowaleski farm near M-66.

Dick Smith and daughter, Pam, of Au Gres visited Dick's sister, Helen Alwood, at CMC Hospital Monday afternoon. They had been to Big Rapids for Pam to sign up as second-year student as a dental technician at Ferris State College. Dick mowed his lawn and checked his house trailer at Coldwater Lake while in this area. They called on Mrs. Hermione Smith at Pleasant Manor in Mt. Pleasant before returning home.

Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell McArthur spent the weekend camping at School Section Lake. Their children and families spent Sunday evening at their home, celebrating Father's Day.



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where Chas. Woolworth lives (Gary McArthur lives there now), for in the early days it was thought that street would be Main Street and the hotel had to be moved later. Steve Hundt had a tin shop in the building where the little school is.

Wm. Dellsworth ran a barber shop.

Frank Sweeney had a store where Chas. Woolworth's store building stands. (Today, the Weidman post office.)

Mr. Burdick sold furniture where the drug store now is. (To-day it's Bud's Party Store.)

Peter Aylsworth was building a hotel where John Otterbine's barbershop now is.

Mrs. Wm. Cole ran a millinery store where the hotel is today. (Today it's a gas station in the middle of town.)

H.H. Parsons was postmaster and grocer where the Messenger is printed. (Across from the Idle Hour Bar.)

Wally Beebe had a blacksmith shop just west of the railroad. Over there then were exactly four buildings, and a son of "grandpa" Garbet was putting up a house 'way out in the burnings for a man named Grubb. It was started one morning and was completed at night. Frank Gross lives in it now. It was known later as the Bailey house.

(To Be Continued)



LAWN AND GARDEN CHEMICALS AND SUPPLIES..COME IN!

WEIDMAN

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WHO CAN NAME THE LADIES IN THIS OLD PHOTO ?-- Grace Woolworth Watson of Saginaw gave us the old print, and she named a

few of the women: Lulu (Houck) Thompson (Mrs. Erie), Ruby Houck Rickett (Mrs. Bill), Mrs. George Drallette, Mrs. James A. Cliff, Mrs. Mabel Mitchell (Mrs. Floyd), Mrs. M.D. Rand, Mrs. George Bryant, Mrs. Arthur Fleming, Mrs. David Flower, Mrs. Dawson, Vina (Flower) Rufner. Among the children were Glenn and Genevieve Scott. Grace couldn't say, nor could we, what the occasion might have been, nor what year the picture was taken. The locale was the Woolworth home, now the home of the Gary McArthur family.

HERE ARE SOME PRICELESS CLIPPINGS FROM OTHER TIMES IN THIS AREA

In a letter to Mrs. Clarissa Loeding at the Weidman Library, Mrs. Ernie DeHart of Coalmont, Tenn., says this: Dear Madam:

My husband has been much interested in the items in the Weidman Messenger about the develop ment of the new library. He has several clippings about the olden days in his home town area. If you find them of any value for your purpose you are welcome to them. If you cannot use them, feel free to destroy them.

He has a scrapbook of other clippings that his mother, Mrs. Seneca DeHart, saved over the years. If you would like to have it, he would be willing to send it to you.

Ernie sends greetings and best wishes to any who may remember him.

So..... Mrs. Loeder brought us a batch of clippings Mrs. DeHart sent her, and we found them fas-cinating. We think you will, too, and we'll print them now and then as time and space permit.

Here's one, apparently printed in Rolla Roe's Weidman Messenger before the 1920s, we'd gather, from the names in it: "TWENTY-ONE YEARS AGO"

(Editor's Note: Remember, this is 21 years before the 1920s.)

The other day J.W. Omans dug up an old watch case in Lant Boyer's garden. From its rust and ancient appearance it must have been dropped there when the town was young.

Let us recall a day of those old times, and see what Weidman was like.

The sawmill was running at full blast, with John S. Weidman as owner. His office was just west of a boarding house that occupied in two weeks." the place where Floyd Mitchell's residence now is. (Editor's Note: We think that's the Don Stanley

place, today.) From 40 to 50 men worked in this mill, which cut 45,000 feet a day, and about 20 in Adams & Acker's shingle mill.

The 6 o'clock whistle has blown and here comes the gang, hungry and happy. There's Charley Pierce, fore-

man. He is heading for his home where Robert Allen now lives. (Ed's Note: It's the Buster Smith home now.)

Behind him are Jos. Booth, scaler; Tom Johnson, head sawyer; Tom Tribbey, filer; John Tribbey setter; Verne Long, tail setter; acob Kunkel and James Belknap, lumber pilers; Dan Carpen-ter, blacksmith; Gene Clark, head packer.

Fred Haskins was out driving somewhere on the river. Walter Pierce and Amos Decker were coming in from the woods.

Amos lumbered the place now known as the Pritchard farm. Now the whistle sounds at the shingle mill. Oscar Adams and George Acker owned it and Blondie Miller was head sawyer. The employees of this mill join the others.

"Who's that feller that's bought out Max Joerar?" asked Charley Pierce of Gene Clark.

"That's a feller named Drallette." "Where's he from?"

"Eaton County."

"They say he's bought two hogs already. Max says he'll go broke

But he didn't. George Drallette was starting in on the spot where his store now stands. (Ed's note: Now it's the Raymond Shook building, recently vacated by Baumann's IGA Store.)

Ad Scott was selling general merchandise in the store where he now is. (Today it's Abbott's Furniture.) Wm. Dawson lived upstairs in the Scott building and ran a shoe shop across the street. Next to him and where S. M. Rau's hardware now stands, a man named Lenox had another shoe shop.

John Damon had a general store where Middlesworth's now is. (It's Clark's Market, today.) Mr.

Middlesworth came to town that spring and bought the building where he now lives.

G.C.Fisher was selling hardware in the same building he now occupies.

Royal Gibbs ran a hotel in the building now filled with Rand's furniture. It stood on the lot

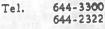
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West Gilmore Lena Cole, Reporter

Paul Cole took Sebastian Pfannes to Mt. Pleasant to the

doctor Monday. Paul Col[®] and Steve Kripa called on the Larry Straus family Sunday.

The Danny Kripas and family, the Richard Mahons and family, and the Russell Dennises and baby and the Paul Coles and Velma were Father's Day guests of Mr. and Mrs. Dan Kripa.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Straus have moved into their new home. Their aunt, Miss Alice Rickles, called on them Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Bawkey of Muskegon visited their aunt, Mrs. Anna Hanner, at Pleasant Manor in Mt. Pleasant Thursday. Annie remains about the same.

Thanks to our dear friends, Mr. and Mrs. Bess Pfannes, and Mr. and Mrs. John Hauck, who each gave us eight quarts of strawberries, last Thursday.

To our cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Bawkey, who brought strawberries and spent a couple of days with us, and enjoyed strawberry shortcake, also thanks!

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Dean helped her sister and family, the Larry

Strauses, move Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Tony Masiwchuck spent the weekend at their farm. His daughter and husband and two children from Detroit spent

the weekend with them. Mr. and Mrs. Bess Pfannes visit-

ed his brother-in-law and sister,

Mr. and Mrs. August Hoskey of near Harrison, Friday. His sister is not very well at this time, due to burns from cobalt treatments. Wanne Ewing graduated from the Shepherd High School, and made Who's Who Among the Music Students in American High Schools. Congratulations, Wallie!

Grace Seymour returned home from CMC Hospital Sunday after a five-day stay for treatment of after-effects of strep throat. She was reporting as feeling better this week.

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Walker Creek News

Mary Loomis, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Skalitzky called on her sister, Mrs. Kate Darnell, at the home of Mrs. Marie (Darnell) Derring, in Evart Friday morning.

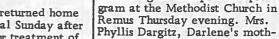
Mr. and Mrs. Burdette Reed and family called on Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Denslow last Sunday.

Scotty Reed entered CMC Hospital last Monday for surgery, and came home Thursday. Mrs. Ruth Dosenberry and son,

Jamie, called on Mr. and Mrs. Harry Dosenberry Father's Day, Sunday.

The Busy Bees held their last Thursday meeting with Mrs. Evelyn Denslow. Fourteen ladies were present. After the meeting a very tasty lunch was served.

Mrs. Dale Denslow spent Saturday afternoon at Littlefield Lake with her mother, Mrs. Juanita



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Struble.

er-in-law, from Blanchard, was with the group. Mr. and Mrs. Leo Denslow visit ed Mr. and Mrs. Ronald DeVries

of Big Rapids Sunday. Alma Dosenberry attended a 50th wedding anniversary party for Mr. and Mrs. C.V. Derring,

Mr.and Mrs. Lyle Denslow call

gitz and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Corwin

of Remus Saturday evening. Mrs. Ollie Denslow and daugh-

granddaughter, attended the Mo-ther-Daughter Banquet and pro-

ters, Darlene Dargitz, Sharon Corwin, and Kyle Corwin, a

ed on Mr. and Mrs. Micky Dar-

of Sears. Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Dosenberry of Williamston visited Mr. and Mrs. Harry Dosenberry Saturday. They also called on her folks at LeRoy, Mich.

Mr. and Mrs. Keith Loomis and daughter, Jeanne, took little Marcia Loomis to the University Hospital in Ann Arbor last Wednesday, for research information. Father's Day visitors at the Warren Leiter home were Mr. and Mrs. Steve Voss and boys and Mr. and Mrs. Dan Stebelton and daughter, Renee.

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Mr. and Mrs. Harland Sprague held Open House for their son, Allen, on his graduation from Chippewa Hills High School. last week. They toured the Upper Peninsula after that, returning home last Thursday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Touchinki and girls spent the weekend in Marquette, U. P.

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NEW SERIES OF MEETINGS FOR LA LECHE LEAGUE

Weidman La Leche League has announced the beginning of a new series of tour monthly meetings on "The Womanly Art of Breastfeeding," at the home of Diane Benn, 6445 Airline Road, Weidman.

The first new meeting will be Tuesday, June 24, at 2 p.m., the subject, "Advantages of Breastfeeding".

July 15, at 2 p.m., "Art of Breastfeeing and overcoming difficulties".

Tuesday, Aug. 19, 2 p.m., "Baby Arrives. The Family and Breastfed Baby".

Sept. 16, 2 p.m., "Nutrition and Weaning."

Anyone interested in breastfeeding is welcome to attend. Feel free to call for further information: Diane Benn, tel. 644-3316.

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BEAL CITY SENIORS HAVE 20 TABLES IN PLAY

At their regular card party last Thursday afternoon, the Beal City Senior Citizens had 20 tables of pepper in play.

Coletta Gross won first prize for tne ladies, with Leola Marshall second and Monica Grinzinger low.

Arza Mullet won first for the men, with Wm. Lawens second and Harold Schumacher low.

Elizabeth Neubecker won the pepper prize. Albina Rau drew the door prize.

The family of Joseph Streng were present with cake and ice cream for Joe and Dorothy's 46th

wedding anniversary. The committee also served sandwiches, coffee and punch, besides the cake and ice cream. About 90 people were present, including the Streng family. ---0---

In the Editor's Mail

Dear Connie, Greetings on a beautiful June

day. My time has run out and I still admire and desire your" Messenger," although I seldom see a familiar name, as I am getting old--will be 80 in a few weeks. Hard for me to write letters.

1974 was cruel, I had four deaths within six months. First, my husband, then my 16-yearold great-grandson; after that, two of my three sons-in-law.

Life is lonely, but I am still serving our Lord, with the help of my daughters and grandchildren.

Two of my great-grandsons and two grandsons are in the service of our country, and I expect to be a great-great-grandmother in a few weeks. Old age has caught up with me.

My love and best wishes. Maggie (Kent) Exevea

Chicago P.S.--Check enclosed.

Mr. and Mrs. James Sutton and family of Ashley were Saturday dinner guests of the Ronnie Sprague family. The Spragues hosted Father's Day dinner for Mr. and Mrs. R.D. Sprague Sunday.

Two Rivers

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'Blanche Carr, Reporter Mrs. Nettie Crowley and Jay Leinaar were visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Hines Thursday after-

noon. Kenneth Hummel of Shepherd, formerly a resident of this community, passed away Sunday. Mrs. Eric Heckard and baby, April, and Mrs. Vida Lueder were recent visitors of Mrs. E. R. Rhode.

Herman Lueder was home Sunday from the Medical Facility at Mt. Pleasant, for Father's Day. Mr. and Mrs. Milford Lueder visited his father.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Cook entertained relatives, Mr. and Mrs. Terry Donel, of Northwood, over the weekend.

Mrs. Jack Lieder took Mr. and Mrs. Harold Bartholomew to the hospital Monday, where Harold will have tests preceeding surgery.

Mr. and Mrs. Orves Cook, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Bergquist and Mrs. Emerson Border attended a graduation Open House in honor of their niece, Dawn Bergquist, Sunday at Manistee.

Thursday, June 19, 1975

Little Neil Martin stayed Saturday over nig¹. with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Garrett. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Terry Martin, came for him Sunday. Other Sunday guests, for Father's Day, were Mrs. Charles Garrett, Jr., and Stacey, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Martin and baby, and Mr. and Mrs. Lachlan MacGregor and children.

Miss Gladys Fritz of Grand Ledge was a Monday guest of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Hines. Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Plank, Doug Harrison and Pennie Plank were Saturday evening guests of Blanche Carr.

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NEWS NOTES Mr. and Mrs. Richard Touchinski and family and Mrs. Edith Touchinsky went to Flint last Tuesday to pick up Mabel Bingham, back from Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. Clare Oberlin of Lansing were last Wednesday luncheon guests of Mr. and Mrs. R.D. Sprague.

Mrs. Claribel Beutler spent the past week at CMC Hospital in Mt. Pleasant, for observation and tests.



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