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## Editor's Column

By Connie

IT LOOKS LIKE AN UPSET ELECTION YEAR

From where we sit, it looks like an upset election year for incumbent Republican politicians.

Democrats in Isabella County -- and we suppose in every other county of every other state--are putting on an all-out campaign, while the Republicans either are defending themselves and the party or seem to have hibernat-ed until Election Day, hoping for a miracle.

In Isabella County we have never seen Democrats so active and aggressive. They are on the offensive, putting Republican incumbents on the spot in a hundred situations and stumping the towns and countryside, while county Republicans appear to be resting on past election results--which will not apply this year.

The Republicans have just about everything against them: A scandal on a national scale unqualed in the history of America; an incumbent President stumping for endangered Republican buddies while the nation's business goes into more inflation and the auto companies are laying off more workers.

Our Isabella County Commissioners have not endeared themselves to constituents, especially in the out-county sector.

That's just a sampling of what Republicans are up against this election year. There are other details, too numerous to mention.

It boils down to this, in our estimation: The Republicans in office have lost the confidence of voters, who have the difficult choice of voting in unkown and untried Democratic candidates.

Locally, we welcome Democratic candidates. They're a refreshing phenomenon in Isabella County.

Nationally, we fear Democratic domination of the Congress. We can't forget that every war in this century in which the United States has been involved pegan under a Democratic President and administration.

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LOCAL YOUTH ATTEND NATIONAL FFA CONFAB--Pictured in front of a Purina research farm wagon are members of the Beal City and Mt. Pleasant FFA Chapters, who recently returned from Kansas City and the National FFA Convention. They are, left to right, front: Ray Clark, Bill Bogart, Frank Engler. Back row: Dennis Houghton, Kevin Beltinck, Gary Nash, Jeff Jones, and Tom Smith.

These students, with 15,000 other FFAers from 50 states and Puer citrus campaign, resource-teach to Rico, attended the convention and listened to the President speech, and witnessed the Stars Over America pageant, in which the organization recognizes its outstanding young farmer and agribusinessman. Other convention activities were also attended. HAVE ACTIVE PROGRAM Many stops at historic places

along the tour were made. The students traveled by charter bus with students from eight other

schools in the Gratiot County

Curt DuVall, Beal City advisor, and Paul Anstead, Mt. Pleasant advisor, also attended.

There were 35 students and four advisors among the local contingent.

The trip stems from an area cooperative concept which the Isabella and Gratiot County agriculture teachers developed, to bet-ter serve the schools and expand student activities, the idea being to share teacher responsibility in chaperoning such events and thereby allowing students to at-tend each year, but the advisor only chaperoning every third year, saving the home school the loss of a teacher each year.

Other co-op activities of the group include a basketball league, Isadore Schafer won high prize the past Chicago trip, the Florida for the men, with Emil Phillips group include a basketball league

ing aid share programs, and a uniform agriculture program con cept, the crop show for students, and other ideas as they are devel----0---

WEIDMAN BROWNIE GIRLS

Saturday, Oct. 19, the Weidman Brownie Scout girls enjoyed a hay ride sponsored by Frank Fogelsong of Shepherd.

Of the troop of 30 girls, 24 showed up for the ride, even though it was cold, and snowed all day. All had a good time.

Brownie Scout girls have decorated the post office and library in Weidman for Hallowe'en, as a service project.

Last Wednesday they enjoyed a nature hike in the woods on Walt Smith's place.

---0--SENIOR CITIZENS HAVE 16 TABLES IN PLAY

At the regular card party of the Beal City Senior Citizens last Thursday afternoon, there were 16 tables of pepper in play. Louise Schafer won high-score

prize for the ladies, with Constance Smith winning second. Helen Schumacher won low.

THURSDAY NIGHT IS HALLOWE'EN

So Thursday night this week is Hallowe'en, long a night of dread for area villages and homeowners.

For the littler ones, who traditionally went from house to house in the dark for "tricks or treats", the Weidman Mothers' Club is putting on a Hallowe'en party at the Weidman school for everybody from tots through the fifth-graders.

Last year's party was a huge success, and small kids were off the streets and roads and having a ball at the school, the Mothers' Club's first experiment.

This year the Mothers are planning an even more detailed and exciting evening for local kids, at the school. All children, in school or not, are urged to attend and have a real Hallowe'en party.

Last year at our house, there was not one knock on our door with kids shouting "Trick or treat!". They were all at the school, apparently. This year everyone is planning on the kids' being there once more, at a party that is guaranteed to be a goblin-raiser, along with real Hallowe'en treats---with no tricks.

Mr. and Mrs. Gary McArthur and family hosted a birthday party for her mother, Mrs. Cecilia St. Germaine. All her brothers and sisters and their families were present, and all enjoyed dinner at the picnic table in the

second. Floyd Dutcher won low. Matie Pung won the pepper prize. Leona Faber drew the door prize.

The committee served cookies and coffee.

The 58th wedding anniversary of Louis and Albina Rau was observed, with a gift of a flowering plant and a corsage from a well-wisher.

Constance Smith, Democratic candidate for County Commissioner of District 2, gave a campaign speech. Dan Kostrzewa of the Mt. Pleasant Post of State Police, talked on "Safety for Senior Citizens".

The next card party at the K. C. Hall in Beal City will be on Thursday, Nov. 7. Everyone is invited to attend.

IT WAS A "STREAKER", NOT A STREAKER

So we've heard from Senior Citizens who enjoyed the countywide party recently at Beal City, about which the Messenger said that a "streaker" brought down the house.

A "streaker" is not a streaker, as we presumed the public would realize (and we shouldn'ta, on account no newspaper can play with words and expect total approval.)

The "streaker" at the old folks' party was a professional dancer doing a take-off of a streaker, and she was really funny. She wore an old-fashioned white union-suit, and the audience fully appreciated the ridicule of the younger real streakers who have offended society in general.

# North Weidman

Elvah Gott, Reporter Mrs. Laura Latham and Al Woodbury attended an early Hallowe'en party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bert Chaffee Sunday evening.

Mrs. Myrtle Decker and daughter and husband left Thursday for home, after staying a week with her sister, Mrs. Zena Olger. Zena attended a houseware party Friday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bud Olger.

Mr. and Mrs. George McClain, Jr., Mrs. Helen Alwood and Cathy, Mr. and Mrs. Don Smith and Joyce and Mary, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Herman and Mr. and Mrs. Leon Schafer were among the many friends and relatives to attend the wedding of Jim Smith and Chris Ranshaw Saturday at the Weidman Nazarene Church.

Mr. and Mrs. John Gott and Mrs. Helen Alwood and Heather Alwood were in Clare on business Monday afternoon.

Mrs. Gott, Carol Abbott, Monica Parker, Jeannie Eldridge and Helei Alwood attended a home products party at the home of Mrs. Ruth Yabs on Lake Isabella

last Tuesday evening. Mrs. Blanche Carr, Mrs. Elvah Gott and Helen Alwood attended the funeral of Edna Schultz at Clare last Tuesday afternoon. Edna will be greatly missed by all her old friends and neighbors.

Mrs. Brenda Gott took us to the home of our son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Gott, in Farwell Saturday evening. Their children were home for the weekend. A game supper was greatly enjoyed.

Wanda Graham was home the weekend and Debbie stayed with us over Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Steve Aldrich spent the weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Max Aldrich. ---0---

Mrs. Alton Allen spent the past week with her son, Rev. Carl Allen, and family in Midland.

### West Gilmore

Lena Cole, Reporter OLD GLASS SCHOOL IN GILMORE IS VANDALIZED Jess Brasington, Gilmore Town-ship Supervisor, told Isabella County Sheriff's officers that someone shot out seven windows and damaged one side of the old Glass School building with

gunshots, during the past week. The Old Glass School building was also used as the township hall, before the new one was built.

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Mrs. Hattie Mahon and son, Richard, called on the Paul Coles Tuesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Dennis and Mr. and Mrs. Dan Kripa and granddaughters, Melissa and Ronnie Mahon, were Sunday dinner guests of the Paul Coles.

Monday, Paul's nephew, Charles Dumont, and son, Tom, and friend Violet McCullum, called on their way to Mt. Pleasant. They called on their doctor. Tom had his knee cap broken, and was on crutches at school Friday, and a youngster ran into him, knocked him down and injured his other leg. He was admitted to the Clare Hospital Monday. The Dumonts are from Harrison.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Mossell and sons, Tom and Dick, and friend, Shari, of South Bend, Ind., called on their parents, the Paul Coles, Sunday morning. They visited his brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Merchant, and daughter, Elizabeth, who is very ill and only has weekends at home from Saginaw Hospital, where she is taking cobalt treatments. The Merchants also live in Harrison.

Miss Joan Geasler and Miss Joey Wilson visited Joan's brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Geasler, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Payton Geasler and Mrs. Helen Geasler were also callers.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Geasler and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Worth attended the High-Fever Follies at Warriner Auditorium in Mt. Pleasant Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Klaeson and George Cornell called on the Norman Geaslers Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Sylvester Pfarnes returned Friday from Flint, where they were called due to the illness of their infant granddaughter, born Oct. 16. The baby had surgery in Ann Arbor the latter part of the week. It was reported Monday as being a little better.

---0--**NEWS NOTES** 

Weidman was well represented Sunday at the Coldwater Lake Inn. Among the folks from this area enjoying Sunday dinner out were Evelyn Hackney and her party, the Bernard Pitts family, Mr. and Mrs. George McClain,

Jr., and Kerry, Mr. and Mrs.
Herb Serum of Lake Isabella, and from this area during the day. Frances Tranbarger and Connie

Skinner. There were others there BETTER THAN A LETTER

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Oct. 31t4p

I want to sincerely thank every body who thought of me while I was in CMC Hospital;

The many cards, flowers and prayers sent and offered were a great help to me, and a com-fort.

I want to thank especially my friends who came into my home and did redecorating I had planned to do, and couldn't. They did a wonderful job, and I do thank them all.

Sincerely

Evelyn Hackney

I want to try to express my very great appreciation to my friends and neighbors who were so good to me while I was in the hospital:

Those who sent me cards and remembrances; and those who offered prayers for me;

A special thanks to my neighbors, who did so very many good things for me while I was away from home: Alec Wieber, who harvested my garden, including five bushels of prize red potatoes which he even took to my cellar; he also took care of my place, including my dog; and Louis Rau, who sent me gifts, and also took care of my valuables in my house during my absence.

Nottawa people are the very best. Thank you all. John Forest

### **NEWS NOTES**

Ruth Ann Gatehouse, Verlia Wilcox and Mr. and Mrs. Ira Cook were in Lansing last week Thursday.

Card of Thanks

I wish to thank my many relatives and friends for the cards, visits, gifts and prayers during my stay at the hospital.

They were all very much ap-

preciated. Thanks again. Albert Geasler

Mr. and Mrs. Harland Snider attended the 50th wedding anniversary of their uncle and aunt, Theodore and Pearl Case, in Barryton a week ago last Sunday. Many relatives gathered for the occasion.

To the Oualified Electors:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, That a General Election will be held in the Townships of Sherman, Coldwater and Nottawa, Isabella County, Michigan,

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THE POLLS of said election will be open at 7 o'clock a.m. and will remain open until 8 o'clock p.m. of said day of election.

KEITH LOOMIS Sherman Township Clerk

NC MAN GEASTER Coldwater Township Clerk

NORMAN RAU Nottawa Township Clerk

## S. W. Sherman

Goldic Dutcher, Reporter
Keith Dutcher and Linda McLaughlin of Clarkston spent the
weekend with his grandparents,
the Ervin Dutchers, Sr. Mr. and
Mrs. Bill Remington and children of Saginaw and Floyd Dutcher were Sunday dinner guests.

Ervin and Goldie visited Robert and Minnie Hines in the early evening Sunday. They called on the Ervin Dutchers, Jr. Mr. and Mrs. Richard Yuncker

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Yuncker and children and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dutcher and Rex and Dawn were Sunday evening visitors of ours. The Yunckers called on the Richard Dutchers and got some pears.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Owen of near Midland spent the weekend with the Robert Dutcher family.

Mr. and Mrs. Brian Dutcher and Chad spent Sunday with the Ervin Dutcher, Jr., family. Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Wilson of

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Wilson of near Shepherd called on the Howard Beutler family Sunday afternoon. The Beutlers visited Mrs. Claribel Beutler in Weidman in the evening. Claribel had just returned from a group trip to the

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Mr. and Mrs. Garry Dutcher spent Sunday visiting relatives in Montague and Muskegon, as they have two brothers-in-law in hospitals there.

The Dale Dutchers had lunch with us last Tuesday. Jim and family and Dick's family and Garry's family were callers during the week.

Terri Owen and Tom Nagel spent the weekend with the Robert Dutchers.

Florence Fitzgerald spent the weekend visiting friends in Kala-

mazoo. Mr. and Mrs. Carl Fitzgerald were Sunday dinner guests of Mrs.

Gladys Stadtfeld of Remus.
Julia Bowen of Mecosta and
Kathryn Doerr of Remus were
Thursday evening visitors of the
Fitzgeralds.

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### **NEWS NOTES**

Mr. and Mrs. L.B. Reed of St. Louis spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. David Flower

Mr. and Mrs. David Flower spent a recent weekend at the home of their son, Tom and family, at Petersburg, Mich.

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### **Around Horr**

Jessie Rosencrantz, Reporter Everybody seems to be taking advantage of this nice weather (Monday), as I can't get most folks on the phone.

Mrs. Joyce Chaffee and Mrs. Barbara North were Sunday dinner guests of the Mack Denslows.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Denslow were afternoon callers of Mack and Margie.

Miss Debbie Slider was a weekend guest of the Earl Oplinger family.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Dutcher and Patti were Saturday evening guests of the Oplingers.

Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Phillips were Saturday guests of the Paul Millers.

Mr. and Mrs. Garth Lawrence and Pam were Sunday guests of Mrs. Nettie Lawrence. In the afternoon Nettie called on her brother and wife, the Ed Grabers at Farwell.

Mr. and Mrs. Vance Wood and Mary Ellen, Dean and Gail were Thursday supper guests of Mrs. Flora Wood.

Mrs. Grace Fitzgerald called on me Friday afternoon.

Mrs. Eva Denslow called on Hattie and me Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Garth Lawrence and Pam and Mrs. Nettie Lawrence called on the Alva Cumminses Sunday afternoon. Nettie took them some baked goods.

Alva Cummins was coming along pretty good. He went back to Edmore Monday for a checkup.

Mr. and Mrs. Theron Merrihew and Harold Losey were Sunday callers of the Charlie Loseys.

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Among the many callers at the R.D.Sprague home during the past week were Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Miller, Mr. and Mrs. George Looman of Cedar Springs, and Mr. and Mrs. Fay Looman and son, Steve, of Californria; Mr. and Mrs. Don Lofgren of Stockbridge, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Touchinsky, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Dent of Farwell, and Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Hill and family of Holt; also Mr. and Mrs. Harlan Sprague of Mt. Pleasant and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Sprague, and the Ronnie Sprague family, who were frequent callers. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Gross and Mrs. Leila Shook and Denise Bellinger and girls were among the many local friends who called.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Embrey visited Mrs. Ina Gillett and the Felix and Iva Stevens family at Sanford, Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Miles Loomis also visited the family at Sanford.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene McArthur visited Mr. and Mrs. Bill Frantz in Mt. Pleasant Friday evening. The Frantzes celebrated their 55th wedding anniversary that weekend.

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We had a good attendance at our Hymn Sing Sunday evening. Brinton folks came and joined us, and it was a very fine evening.

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WEIDMAN UNITED METHODIST Rev. Athel Lynch, Pastor, 2163 2nd Street, Weidman

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.

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

### Local Items

Mr. and Mrs. James Sutton and family of Ashley were Saturday supper guests of the Ronnie Sprague family.

Mrs. Ethel Bywater had a birthday last week. Mrs. Dale Bywater of Midland called on her Thursday and took her three birthday gifts. Tracy Bywater's family called Friday and also took her a gift.

Mary Beutler drove Mrs. Ethel Bywater to her doctor Friday, Office phone 644-3336, parson- and also gave her a birthday gift age 644-3441.

Mrs. Bywater received 23 hirth-Mrs. Bywater received 23 birthday cards in her mail. Rev. and Mrs. Athel Lynch also took her a gift on her birthday.

Mrs. Gustie Green, Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Hall of Dearborn, and their son, Glenn, of Kalamazoo, and Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Smith and son, Bobbie, and daughter, Susie of Wolverine and Mr. and Mrs. Dave Smith of Allegan, all spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Smith, and all attended the wedding of Jim Smith and Chris Ranshaw at the Weidman Nazarene Church Saturday evening at 6 o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Corser of Houghton Lake spent Sunday afternoon with their aunt, Ruth Momany.

Mrs. Grace Pitts spent the weekend at the Elwyn Pitts home in Big Rapids.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Templin of Detroit, Mr. and Mrs. Jol

Gould and daughter, Becky, of Evart, called at the Clayton Smith home Saturday and attended the wedding of Jim Smith

and Chris Ranshaw that evening. Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Smith and Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Smith and Susie and Bobbie of Wolverine, and Mr. and Mrs. Dave Smith of Allegan and Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Lowery all had dinner at Kirvan's Restaurant in Barryton Sunday afternoon, honoring the 55th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Smith, as honored guests. Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Smith were hosts at the dinner.

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### In the Editor's Mail

Dear Friend:

Hope this finds you well and happy. I see I owe you some money. My paper ran out the 6th, and this is the 9th. I'll send the check today. Don't want to miss it.

We have been real busy moving. The bank wanted my house and Amelia's, to put in their drive-in bank, so here we are, both in a trailer just back of the bank. I like my trailer real well. It is 12x60 feet, and I have an 8x10 storage space too.

Arlene will be after us in a week or two to go to Florida. My sister, Mary Ade, is going with us this year, too. Some of our friends have gone now. Hope to see you in the spring. Bessie Latham, Remus.

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# Obituary

DORA M. HARTGROVE Dora M. Hartgrove of Farwell died Oct. 23 at CMC Hospital. She was 64.

She was born April 26, 1910, in Mt. Pleasant.

Funeral services were held at 1 p. m. Saturday at the Coker Funeral Home in Farwell, with Rev. John Hoogterp officiating. Burial was in the Gilmore Cem-

She is survived by her husband, Tilden; two sons, Robert of Far-well and Richard of Rosebush; a daughter, Ethel Cross, of Farwell; and nine grandchildren. Also two brothers, Raymond and William Endres.

Also surviving are six sisters, Mrs. Christine Keller of Mt. Pleasant, Mrs. Irene Schrut of North Branch, Miss Katie Endres of California, Mrs. Rose Lounsbury of South Borden, Mrs. Lucille Rigby of Nottawa Township, and Mrs. Elizabeth Toops of Flint.

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R.D. Sprague was reported as coming along fine the first of the week, at his home here. Dollie Bower called R.D. and Jennie Monday morning, from California.

### Walker Creek News

Mary Loomis, Reporter

Saturday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Loomis were Mr. and Mrs. George Sherman and family of Belding and Mr. and Mrs. George Loomis of New Era. Other callers during the weekend were Mr. and Mrs. Mike Loomis and family of Barryton, Mr. and Mrs. Randall Sherman and baby from Greenville, and Mr. and Mrs. Pat Loomis and Angela.

Mr. and Mrs. Orval Wiggins of Farwell were Thursday evening visitors at the Bill Wilcox home.

Mrs. Mabel Allen and Mrs. Clyde Emmons enjoyed a day of shopping in Mt. Pleasant last

Tuesday.

Last Wednesday callers at the Orval Reed home were Lucy Mathes and friend of Chippewa Lake. Mr. and Mrs. Reed spent the weekend fishing on the Manistee River, but report very little luck.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Loomis and family spent the weekend with friends in Eaton Rapids.

Mr. and Mrs. Tim Leiter and son of Mt. Pleasant were Wednesday evening supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Warren Leiter and family. Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Loomis were Sunday visitors. Mrs. Dan Stebelton and Renee of Mt. Pleasant were also callers during the weekend. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Voss were Saturday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Wilmot in Weidman. Sunday dinner guests at the Voss home were Mr. and Mrs. Steve Voss and son, Stuart Voss and daughter, Angie of Lansing, and Mrs. Myrtle Rowe. Afternoon callers were Mrs. Rosie Leiter and her daughter, Donna Houghton, and girls.

Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Schrock and family were Sunday supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Karl Hartzler and family.

Mrs. Eva Gray and Pearl Loomis and Mr. and Mrs. Mike Gray of Mt. Pleasant were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Gary Portenga and family. Gary's folks, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Portenga, of Conklin, were afternoon callers. The Portengas were Wednesday evening visitors at the Harry Naylor home on the Ojibwa Recreation Area.

We enjoyed dinner Friday with Dad and Mother Loomis, and Aunt Freda, who had spent the week with them.

NEWS NOTES Rev. and Mrs. Athel Lynch were Saturday callers of Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Embrey visited her brother, WEB Darnell at Big Rapids. Mr. and Mrs. How-ard Blackmer and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Maxon were also visitors

# Coldwater Lake Murjorie Schafer, Reporter

Ed and I enjoyed a few games of cards with Al and Ruth Klumpp recently.

My mother, Mable Klumpp, at Ardis Nursing Home, recently fell and broke her knee cap. She has a cast on her leg, and is confined to her bed.

Leo and Lucille Schafer went with Ed and me to visit my mother a week ago Sunday.

Walt and Della Wischmeyer

called here last Friday.

Eddie Sherlock started to school last week, on the Head Start program.

Wayne Sherlock and his brotherin-law, Jerry and Bill Schafer, and father-in-law, Ed Schafer are tearing down the old Pantenburg home.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Sherlock called on us Tuesday evening, and enjoyed games of cards.

Friday evening we played cards with our son and daughter-in-law, Joe and Jane, and the Wayne Sherlocks. Other visitors were Billy and Kelli Schafer.

Billy and Kelli Schafer were weekend visitors of Eddie and LeAnna Sherlock.

--0--John Forest is enjoying being at home, after spending five weeks in hospitals, in Mt. Plea-sant and Midland. He is improving each day, but is not back

# HOW ARE YOUR UTILITY BILLS THIS MONTH?

# Gas and electric bills high enough for you?

Your State Representative wants them higher. He says we should think about the utility stockholders and the companies' profit margins. He has publicly called for higher utility rates.

JIM DICKINSON says we should think about people. Their profits are shrinking, too.

JIM DICKINSON knows the utility companies are vital to our comfort and well being. He's for giving them a fair shake. But he won't cave into their lobbyists. And their stockholders won't be his chief concern.

# JIM DICKINSON

A MAN WHO CARES ABOUT PEOPLE Democrat for the 89th District VOTE NOVEMBER 5th

Pd pol adv

# Beal City

Dora Smith, Reporter

OLD RESIDENT VISITS THIS AREA

William Cotter of Portland Oregon, has been visiting relatives in this area the past several weeks.

He came for the Cotter family reunion Oct. 13 at the American Legion Hall in Rosebush, and has been getting re-acquainted with old friends and many relatives.

He was raised five miles east of Weidman, being five years old when his parents came here. He is related to all the Cotters in the county, including Gerald Cotter of Mt. Pleasant.

In his youth he worked for 23 years for the Harris Milling Co. at Mt. Pleasant, and he also worked at Bernard Woodruff's gristmill in Weidman.

He told the Messenger editor that his brother-in-law, Theron Jarman, was the unidentified man with the pair of oxen we showed once in an old picture.

seven years.

He says the flour mill at Weidman was not built yet when his family came to this area.

He has been in Oregon about

He remarked that Clara (Pitts) Spencer of near Mason and he are the only two pupils left who attended the Nottawa District No. 5 old school.

CENTENNIAL FUND AUCTION WAS WELL ATTENDED

The recent Centennial Fund auction at the Beal City Knights of Columbus Hall was very well attended, with a big crowd and

everyone enjoying a good time. Everything was sold, from bowling pins to boats and chickens. The event raised \$943.86.

The Centennial committee says it is very grateful to the wonderful bidders, and also to the many people who worked hard to make it a success.

Grant Allen of Littlefield Lake did his usual outstanding job as auctioneer.

Al Shurtliff and wife of Detroit were Monday callers of Louise Smith. Gerald Smith and wife of Mt. Pleasant were callers one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Smith and family of Lansing, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Travis of Shepherd and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Smith and family spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Walter Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Pung and family of Midland spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Steve Pung and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Scha-

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Wilson had their baby baptized Sunday, and named him Chad Lloyd.

Theresa Smith, Janice Pung and Dora Smith called on Theresa's sister, Kathy, in Mid-land, and all went shopping in Saginaw.

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

Beal City lost our game Saturday night with Sacred Heart of Mt. Pleasant, 3-0.

Mrs. Vera Neubecker was a Wednesday evening visitor of Mrs. Jack Schafer.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Keefer are leaving for Florida Saturday, Nov. 2, to spend the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Schmidt were Saturday evening visitors of Mr. and Mrs. John Schupbach of Mt. Pleasant.

Sheila Schafer returned fro the hospital. St Luke's in Saginaw, where she had surgery on her ear.

Mrs. Milo Eldred, Mrs. Bob Tetro and Mrs. Horace Moody spent Thursday with Mrs. Tony Schafer.

Mrs. Roy Moss and Mrs. Ed Fedewa called on Mrs. Tony Schafer Friday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Schafer entertained company over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Tim Garrett are the proud parents of a baby boy. Mr. and Mrs. Stan Thren and Jennie were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ken Martin last weekend.

Doris Smith called on Mr. and Mrs. Laverne Yuncker Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Catherine Weber was a Thursday caller of Regina Wie-

Theresa Schmidt of Grosse Pointe spent the weekend with the Alvin Schmidt family.

Mrs. Vera Neubecker spent Thursday evening with Mrs. Elizabeth Neubecker in Weidman.

Mr. and Mrs. George Keiffer and Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Keiffer spent the weekend visiting their brother, Leo Keiffer, and family at Dearborn. They also visited Bernard Keiffer and family at Plymouth, and stayed in a cottage at Sears Lake.

---0-**NEWS NOTES** 

Mrs. Claribel Beutler returned Sunday evening from a week's tour of the Smoky Mountains and the Grand Ole Opry in Tennessee. Seventeen bus loads were present that night at the Grand Ole Opry. Mrs. Beutler was among 40 persons on the guided tour. Mrs. Matilda Starr of Mt. Pleasant was also among the travelers.

Avis Satterlee of Belding and her son, Gale, and wife and baby of Turkey were Friday dinner guests of Mrs. Helen Smith, their sister and aunt, and spent the afternoon with her.

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# Editor's Column

By Connie (Continued from Page 1)

Roosevelt did not cure the disastrous depression of the 1930s. He got us into a war that did.

Today we have disastrous inflation (rising all the time) together with imminent depression, and we can only repeat our belligerent assertion that no administration had better get us into a war on foreign shores, ever again.

# Two Rivers

Blanche Carr, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Dean Chaffee and children and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Kolassa and baby were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Courser and family.

Several from Broomfield Luther an Church attended a special Reformation meeting at the Alma Lutheran Church Sunday.

Mrs. Kate Martin spent a few days last week with the Ed Martins and the John Passierello family in Saginaw. Mr. and Mrs. Pete Carlson of Texas were visitors at the Kate and Ray Martin home; also Alfred Neff of Mt. Pleasant.

Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Johnson and family and Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Dent were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Krueger, to honor Carl's 10th birthday.

Mrs. Lola Reed was a Sunday dinner guest of Mrs. Choice Foster.

Mrs. Miles Loomis and Mr. and Mrs. Carl Embrey visited Mrs. Ina Gillett at the Felix Stevens' in Sanford Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lieder of Detroit were weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Lieder. The Jack Lieders spent Saturday evening with Mrs. E. R. Rhode and Harold.

Mrs. E.R.Rhode called on the Harris Diehls and looked over their new home. Mrs. Joe Gostola and Dixie called on the Rhodes Sunday.

Rhodes Sunday.
Mrs. Richard Flaugher, Mrs.
Russell Flaugher, Mrs. Ron Flaugher and Mrs. Ralph Flaugher
and several of their children were
dinner guests of the Ray Flaughers Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher and

Floyd Dutcher, Mrs. Ezoa Strong and Mrs. Coila Cook, Mr. and Mrs. Bud Hines and Brenda and Lisa were Sunday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hines.

Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Marshall and Tina Leach and Emerson Marshall and girls, and Mrs. Ella Cox spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Allen Marshall and family.

Mrs. Lovica Krueger of Mt. Pleasant spent Wednesday with Blanche Carr. Blanche Carr, Helen Alwood and Mrs. Elva Gott attended the funeral of Mrs. Edna Schultz in Clare last Tuesday.

Penny Plank of Wheeler was a Monday overnight guest of her grandmother, Blanche Carr.

## **Brinton News**

Frances Beck, Reporter

Violet Wright started working in the evergreens at Germaine's south of Barryton.

Mrs. Homer Teeter was in Evart Friday, where she called on her doctor.

Nora Geasler and I were in Evart Monday, and enroute home we called on her daughter, Carol Cummings, of Barryton. Mr. and Mrs. David Livermore entertained relatives from Wisconsin during the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Bowen called on her dad, Earl Blodgett, Friday evening. Earl suffered a heart attack. He is in CMC Hospital at this time.

Verl Wright and boys of Flat Rock and Evelyn Slupe and family of Grand Rapids spent the weekend with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Wright. Sunday callers included Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Wright and family, Mr. and Mrs. Loren Reed, and Mr. and Mrs. Homer Wright, all of Greenville.

Mrs. Wm. Forbes returned home Saturday after spending a week with her son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Forbes, of Pontiac. She made the acquaintance of a new grandson.

The Blackmer family held a birthday party in honor of their mother, Gertrude Blackmer, Sunday at the hall in Brinton.

Mr. and Mrs. Garth Lawrence and Pamela of Laingsburg were Sunday afternoon callers of Mrs. Helen Smith and Mrs. Ula Cummins.

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(Paid Pol. Adv.)