

# The Weidman Messenger

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## Editor's Column

By Connie

### THERE NEVER WAS A TIME JUST LIKE THE ONE BEFORE IT

Parents, especially parents of troubled teenagers, are fond of telling the old gal on the Messenger, "But Connie, times have changed. You just don't realize that times have changed. We have problems that no other generation of parents ever had!"

I'll buy that.

But I also am urged to point out that there never was a time just like the time before it; likewise there never was a generation just like the generation before it.

True, these are times that try men's souls (and women's too, speaking of teenagers). But there never was a time that did not try men's souls.

Today we're different from the times when I was young, the village of Weidman was young, and kids found their own amusement in back-yard baseball games with perhaps five or six on a "side", or in rope-skipping, or in winter skating parties on the millpond behind what is now the Fred Wilcox home.

But through all the ages, and through all the new generations, different from the last, in situations different from the past, there have been immutable truths that have to stand or the whole kaboodle goes down the drain.

There are certain truths and precepts and laws, written and unwritten, that must be obeyed if a nation is to survive.

Things like integrity, and willingness to work for what one gets, and respect for others' property, and a hundred other details--there are truths that do not change, no matter how our youngsters change with each generation or how parents handle the situations that arise.

We have hundreds of decent, hard-working, lovable teenagers in our schools and our community; and on the other hand we have outlaw brats tolerated by their parents for fear "they might run away", or some other dire-

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**JANET McCREIGHT AND CAROL JOHNSON--**Are "regulars" at the new Western Auto Store in Weidman, opened for business last week. The ladies are holding one of the many lovely flowering plants the store received on its opening, from other business places here welcoming the new store. Business at the store is flourishing, with local folks exulting over the accessibility of spare parts for autos and bicycles, for which they have had to drive to Mt. Pleasant all these years. Messenger photo

### VANDALS SHOOT OUT WEIDMAN BANK WINDOWS

Vandals, believed to be pre-teenagers, used BB-guns to shoot out three windows at the back of the Weidman Branch of the Isabella Bank and Trust some time between Friday night and Monday morning, it was reported here Monday.

The windows will have to be replaced, at an estimated cost of \$1,000.

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### FFA SCHOOL FORESTS TRIMMED BY WOODSMEN

Timber cutters have been busy in the FFA-planted pine forests at the Weidman School, and also in the Remus and Barryton areas.

Timber cutters have been taking every third row of trees in a forest-management project of the Chippewa Hills FFA, headed by Dan LaTendresse.

The organization expects to net about \$2,000 for 1,000 cords of "wood," LaTendresse said.

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BETTER THAN A LETTER

### SUNDAY EVENING WORK BEE HELD IN SPITE OF STORM

A scheduled work-bee at the Weidman Fire Hall was held, in the midst of the worst blizzard of this winter, with 15 workers present, members of the Volunteer Fire Department and their wives.

Due to the storm, it was a short session, wherein workers pinned meal-tickets to Lil' Mac buttons.

Another work bee will be held this coming Sunday.

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### LIONS CLUB TO PUT ON ANOTHER FISH FRY

The Weidman Lions Club will put on another of their famous fish fries Friday evening, February 13, with serving from 5.30 to 7.30.

It will be in the Weidman School cafeteria, of course, and will consist of fish dinner as only the Weidman Lions Club can put it on.

Mark the date, and plan on a fish feast that night.

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HOME PAPER FOR THE WEST HALF OF ISABELLA COUNTY

### PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS PROPOSED ORDINANCE

A public meeting is being called jointly by the Township Boards of Sherman and Nottawa for Thursday evening, Feb. 12, at 8 p.m., at the Weidman School.

The proposed ordinance, unofficially approved by heads of both Township Boards, will not affect any law-abiding youngsters or parents.

It will provide for curfew hours on streets and in public places; and it will provide for loitering in any public place at any time.

People of both townships are urged to attend the meeting.

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### WEIDMAN FOLKS TO MEET WITH ROAD COMMISSION ON SNOW ON OUR STREETS

A delegation from the Weidman Business Association is scheduled to meet with the Board of Directors of the County Road Commission Friday morning at 10, in Room 124 at the County Court House, to discuss the impossible condition of our streets here regarding pile-ups of snow in the parking places on the business street.

Interested persons are urged to be present at the meeting.

The Beal City Business Association also is expected to be represented at the meeting.

The meeting was arranged by County Commissioner Connie Smith, after a call from WBA president Gary McArthur, for help on the situation. Commissioner Smith went to work, and fast, and arranged the meeting.

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### NEWS ITEMS OF OUR BUSINESS PEOPLE

Thayne Sides returned home from CMC Hospital Sunday afternoon, after staying there since last Sunday. He underwent surgery Tuesday, and was reported doing fine. He will be at home a couple of weeks before returning to work.

Lou Fiorillo was sworn in last week as a new member of the Chippewa Hills Board of Education. We're happy to have the Weidman area represented on the board.

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## West Gilmore

Lena Cole, Reporter

Paul Cole called on the Larry Strauses last Wednesday. Paul and Lena visited Mr. and Mrs. Sebastian Pfannes last week Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jud Shea and children visited his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Julius Allbee, Thursday. Jud went back to camp in the service of his Uncle Sam.

The Paul Coles have been having phone trouble for several days. Even with a new telephone it didn't do the job.

Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Worth were visitors of their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Geasler, Monday.

Our sympathy is extended to the family of our old and dear friend, Elam Seymour, who died early Saturday morning at CMC Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Worth and Pam and Mr. and Mrs. Albert Geasler made a business trip to Big Rapids Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Kleason and Mrs. Melody Reed visited her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Geasler, Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Payton Geasler visited Mr. and Mrs. Albert Geasler Tuesday.

They also visited Mr. and Mrs.

Martin Boger that day.

The Coles received word that their great-grandson, Chucky Mossell, was very ill in a South Bend hospital. His daddy is also very ill, in Germany.

Our grandson, Sp/5 William Ewing, and Mrs. Ewing and baby of Vassar, who just got home from Thailand after a year spent there, and Sp/4 Russell Ewing, also of Vassar and Fort Bragg, N. C., visited their grandparents, the Paul Coles, last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bess Pfannes received word that their little granddaughter, Jennie Yambrick, will go to an Ann Arbor hospital Wednesday for a check-up.

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### AREA FARMERS WARNED ABOUT GYP VICTIMS IN SNOWBANKS AT NIGHT

Area farmers are becoming incensed by some drivers who plead for tractor help to get their cars out of snowbanks, especially at night--and then drive off without paying the farmer for his machine and hours of work.

An instance was cited of an area farmer being called out of bed and working with his tractor until past midnight to get a car out of a snowy ditch. The car belonged to a banker from downstate. When the car was safely back on the road, the banker said, "Thanks a lot!" and drove

off.

The farmer had worked over four hours to free the car and get the man back on his way south.

### NEWS NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Pitts and family spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Paul Barbour (Cheryl) in Lansing.

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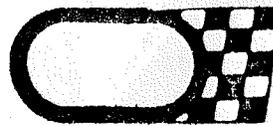
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LIONS CLUB FISH FRY--The Weidman Lions Club will offer another Fish Fry on Friday, Feb. 13, with serving from 5.30 to 7.30, at the Weidman School cafeteria. Adults \$3.00, children under 12, \$1.50.  
Jan. 29t3

### NEWS NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. David Wood (Mona Pitts) have moved to St. Johns, where he starts the ministry at the St. Johns Church of Christ. They have been staying here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Pitts, the past several months.

# Notice

### PUBLIC MEETING

The Township Boards of Sherman and Nottawa have called a public meeting on Thursday evening, Feb. 12, at 8 o'clock at the Weidman School, to discuss a proposed ordinance establishing curfew hours for children and minors;

And also providing for control of loitering on streets and public places.

The people of Nottawa and Sherman Townships are urged to attend this joint Township Meeting.

KEITH LOOMIS  
Clerk  
Sherman Township  
Jan. 29t2

# Card of Thanks

We want to thank everyone who helped out while Thayne was in the hospital, those who helped at the Laundromat and also those who helped with other chores and nice gestures.

We want to thank those who visited Thayne in the hospital, and those who sent flowers.

Everybody was so kind and helpful. We do thank you.

Thayne and Phyllis Sides

# Make reservations

Reservations are now being taken for the summer season at Coldwater Lake County Park campground, said officials of the Isabella County Parks and Recreation Commission.

Due to increases in operating costs, camping fees have been raised to \$4 per day although vehicler permits remain \$1 per day and \$3 for an annual pass.

HOME PAPER FOR THE WEST HALF OF ISABELLA COUNTY

# Obituary

### ELAM SEYMOUR

Elam J. Seymour passed away at CMC Hospital Jan. 24, after a long illness. He was 88.

Elam was born Sept. 12, 1887, in Gilmore Township, the son of Adelmer and Clarendia (Fordyce) Seymour.

On Nov. 8, 1913, he was married to Verna Arthur, and the couple lived in Gilmore Township their entire married life. Elam was retired, in later years, from Ferro Stamping Co. in Mt. Pleasant.

He is survived by his wife, Verna; one son, Donald, and one daughter, Mrs. Norman (Leona) Buchel, both of Gilmore Township; and seven grandchildren and three great-grandchildren; and one sister, Mrs. Henry (Edith) Craven of Winn, and many nieces and nephews, and very many friends.

Funeral services were held Monday, Jan. 26, at 1 p.m. from the Coker Funeral Home in Farwell, with George Getchel of the Gilmore Church of Christ officiating.

Elam was a faithful member of the Gilmore church.

He was buried in the Gilmore Township Cemetery.

The family have the sympathy of their very many friends.

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# Obituary

### LORETTA SMALL

Loretta Small of Mt. Pleasant died Jan. 21 at CMC Hospital.

She was born Jan. 21, 1900, in Denver Township.

Funeral services were held at 10 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 24, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Rev. Fr. John J. Thome officiating. Burial was in Calvary Cemetery in Mt. Pleasant.

Surviving are seven sons, including Harold and John of Shepherd; two daughters, Mrs. Mary Potter of Mt. Pleasant and Mrs. Maxine Munro of Shepherd; 44 grandchildren and 20 great-grandchildren; and two brothers, John Campbell of Weidman and George Campbell of Mt. Pleasant; and one sister, Mrs. Ray (Edna) Slack, of Mt. Pleasant.

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# the Churches

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Morning Service, 11 a.m.  
Evening Service, 7.30 p.m.

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

Pot luck dinner third Sunday, 1 p.m.

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

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

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Rev. Edwin Schmelzer, pastor.

Sunday School, 9.15 a.m.  
Worship Service, 10.45 a.m.

Ladies' Aid meets on second Wednesday of each month.

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WEIDMAN CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

Rev. William Hurt, Pastor  
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Sunday School, 10 a.m.  
Morning Worship, 11 a.m.

Evening Service, 7.30 p.m.

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Evening Worship, 7 p.m.



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BETTER THAN A LETTER

**S. W. Sherman**  
Goldie Dutcher, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Wernette and daughter, Cindy, and friend of Greenville spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Brian Dutcher, to see the new grandson.

Carol Secord and roommate, Becky, of Lansing, visited us Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Beutler, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Beutler and Mr. and Mrs. Carl Beutler took their mother, Claribel, out to dinner last Monday evening, helping Claribel celebrate her 78th birthday.

Sandy Dutcher and Eddie Opinger spent Saturday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher, Sr.

Kay Dutcher spent Sunday with Melissa Leiter.

Richard and Barbara Dutcher had a snow-machine party Sunday afternoon, but due to the bad weather there wasn't much snowmobiling.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Yuncker and children, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dutcher and children, Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher, Jr., and Brian and Dave Dutcher all attended the party, and spent the afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Dutcher and son, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dutcher and Dawn and Becky and Clayton and I visited the Richard Dutchers Saturday evening.

Ronna Dutcher called on us Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Dutcher and girls of Flint spent Saturday over night and Sunday with us. The Robert Dutchers were Saturday evening visitors.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Dutcher and sons of east Mt. Pleasant spent Friday evening with us.

Ivan Dutcher of Mt. Pleasant called on us Sunday afternoon.

Laurel Beutler attended a 4-H sliding party Sunday afternoon at the home of Carmen Wagester.

After Howards' picked her up, they call called on Claribel Beutler in Weidman.

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Watson of Grand Ledge visited at the Ervin Dutcher, Jr., home Friday, to see her sister, Linda, and new baby. Then they went home with the Brian Dutchers and stayed over night and part of Saturday.

Linda Dutcher and son, Craig, came home from CMC Hospital Friday.

Jim Dutcher was a caller of ours over the weekend.

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**North Weidman**

Elvah Gott, Reporter

Mrs. Helen Alwood and Cathy called at the Thayne Sides home Saturday afternoon. Cathy stayed with Rhonda and went snowmobiling, and enjoyed supper at the Sides home.

Mrs. Wanda Graham took her mother, Mrs. Elvah Gott, to Evert for a treatment on her shoulders and back last Friday afternoon. Mrs. Helen Alwood rode with them and had lunch with her friend and co-worker, Mrs. Rolla Belden, in Barryton. Mrs. Belden has been off work on sick leave with an infection in her hand. Helen also stopped at the Barryton school to talk to Mr. Soper.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Gott, Mrs. Don Alwood and Cathy called at the Coker Funeral Home in Farwell Sunday afternoon to pay respects to the Elam Seymour family.

Donny Alwood spent Sunday afternoon and evening with Jim Kowaleski of Remus. They enjoyed ice fishing and snowmobiling.

Mr. and Mrs. Barry Ptak and son of Royal Oak and Miss Denise Ptak and friend of Warren were visitors at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ptak, over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Fox called on his mother, Mrs. Clara Fox, at

Winn, Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Dwane Chapman called on Mr. and Mrs. Micky Abbott last Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Gott, our son and wife of Elwell, called on us Friday. I visited my doctor the same day in Evert.

Bessie Allen called on us Tuesday, before work. Mrs. Verge Hunt is visiting her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Allen. They called on us Sunday.

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**In the Editor's Mail**

Weidman Messenger  
Dear Connie:

Thank you for the revealing and enlightening article in this week's issue (1/22/76) which, incidentally, coincides with the third anniversary of the infamous Supreme Court decision on abortion, concerning the Right to Life people and the March of Dimes.

I know that Michigan citizens for life spent a great deal of time and effort investigating the use of funds which are contributed to MOD because they felt the public had a right to know how their contributions were being

used. Genetic research is very worthwhile, but when the knowledge gained therefrom, through the amnio-centesis testing, sometimes results in taking the life of the unborn child, then anyone who respects the sanctity of human life cannot, in good conscience, support this once very worthy cause. It is indeed a tragedy that scientific knowledge is abused, and often without our knowledge and consent our contributions and taxes are used to support this abuse.

It would be well for all of us to examine closely the direction in which our government and our citizens are heading with regard to human life, born and unborn. It is frightening to contemplate. Abortion, euthanasia, experimenting on live aborted babies, all these are a horrible blot on our once great nation.

Let us hope articles such as yours will awaken people to the grave need for action so all life will be looked upon as a divine and natural gift, a gift of God, our Creator.

Connie, keep up your good work.

Gratefully and sincerely  
Mrs. Wendel (Thelma) Simmer  
Weidman

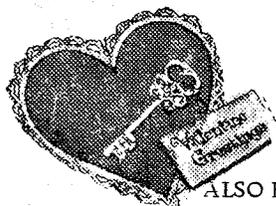
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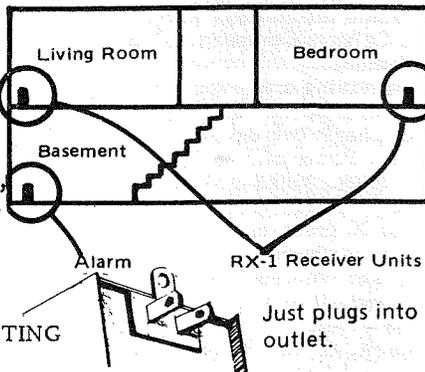
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## Beal City

Dora Smith, Reporter

Maxine Klumpp of Ann Arbor spent the weekend at the Al Klumpp home.

Shelly Schafer of Mt. Pleasant spent Thursday evening with Tillie Schafer.

Mr. and Mrs. Ron Malish and Amy of Mt. Pleasant called on Louise Schafer Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Jim Schafer spent Sunday night with her.

Tillie Schafer spent Sunday at the Bob Schafer home.

Christine Bierschbach has been in CMC Hospital the past week.

Leona Martin is also in the hospital.

Matie Pung went to Midland Thursday to visit her doctor.

Ginger Rau spent the weekend with the Walter Rau family.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Schafer and Mrs. Gerald Faber and son called on Mr. and Mrs. Julius Bierschbach Monday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Lyon entertained their club Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Aloysius Schumacher and Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Schafer called on Mr. and Mrs. Julius Bierschbach last Tuesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Trowbridge of Midland are the proud parents of a baby girl, born Jan. 23.

Scott Pung spent Friday night at the John Gross home.

Dora Smith is staying with Mr. and Mrs. John Pung's chil-

dren while they have been enjoying an outing up north.

Mr. and Mrs. Ron Neubecker, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Larry, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Schafer, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Hauck, Mr. and Mrs. John Pung and Mr. and Mrs. Don Schafer enjoyed the weekend up north, snowmobiling.

Terry Lynn Morey, daughter of Lon and Linda Morey, was baptized in St. Joseph the Worker's Church Sunday morning.

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### BEAL CITY SENIOR CITIZENS HAVE 17 TABLES IN PLAY

At their regular card party last Thursday afternoon, Jan. 22, the Beal City Senior Citizens had 17 tables of pepper in play, with 75 people present.

The children of Effie Schafer observed her birthday, furnishing a delightful lunch of sandwiches, birthday cake and coffee.

Ruth Gallagher won high-score first prize for the ladies, with Margaret Lawens second and Rose Schafer low.

Bernard Gallagher won first for the men, with Ed Faber second and Wilbur Reinert low.

Jack Cotter won the pepper prize. Kate Martin drew the door prize.

The next card party at the K. of C. Hall in Beal City will be Thursday afternoon, Feb. 5.

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## Coldwater Lake

Gladys Brown, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Dorr and granddaughter were injured in an automobile accident while on their way to Ann Arbor to visit her brother, who is a patient at the University Hospital. Frank is hospitalized at McClaren Hospital in Flint, with broken ribs. The granddaughter has a broken leg, and Alice has multiple bruises. Alice is staying with a niece in Hemlock.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Brown attended a birthday party Sunday for her mother, who was 84 years old. The party was held at the Six Lakes Community Hall. There were 75 descendants who came to make it a very special day for her.

Mrs. Dan Stacey has been called for jury duty. She reported Monday morning, but court was canceled because of the weather. Penny Stacey and a room-mate were home for the weekend.

Mr. Lee has left for St. Petersburg, Florida.

Mrs. Jo Allen spent several days last week visiting her sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Smith, of Big Rapids, and while there she did some shopping.

Mrs. Esther Morford of McMillan, Mich., was here visiting for several days this past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Benson are the proud parents of a baby boy born Sunday, Jan. 25. They have a little three-year-old daughter, Vicky. Congratulations!

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HOME PAPER FOR THE WEST HALF OF ISABELLA COUNTY

## Brinton News

Frances Beck, Reporter

Janet Beers is working at the Ski Lodge at Mott Mountain. George and Cora Beers spent the weekend with their daughter, Deanna Dunbar, and family, at Grand Rapids.

Bonnie Forbes and Linda La Londe called on Bonnie's friend at Six Lakes Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sowle spent the weekend in Lansing with their son, Don, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Estes attended the funeral of his brother-in-law, Art Molyneaux, of Scottville. He passed away Jan. 20. Funeral services were held Friday. Bill and Pauline remained until Sunday with Lucille.

Carl and Ellen Geasler, Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Beutler, Irene Bowen and I called at the Coker Funeral Home Sunday afternoon, paying our respects to our old neighbor and friend, Elam Seymour, who passed away at CMC Hospital Saturday morning after a lingering illness.

Joe Wright, Rita Harrigan and Arwilda Reed called at the Russell Wright home Saturday, enroute home from Cadillac, where they had called on their mother, Lillie Donald, at the hospital there. She was listed in critical condition.

Other weekend guests of the Wrights included their son, Verl, and boys of Flat Rock, Joann Wright and family of Greenville, and their daughter, Evelyn, and family of Grand Rapids, and Mr. and Mrs. Ken Tupper and son of Mt. Pleasant.

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PICTURES--Lots of them, piled up at the Messenger office. Owners may pick up any time after noon Wednesday.

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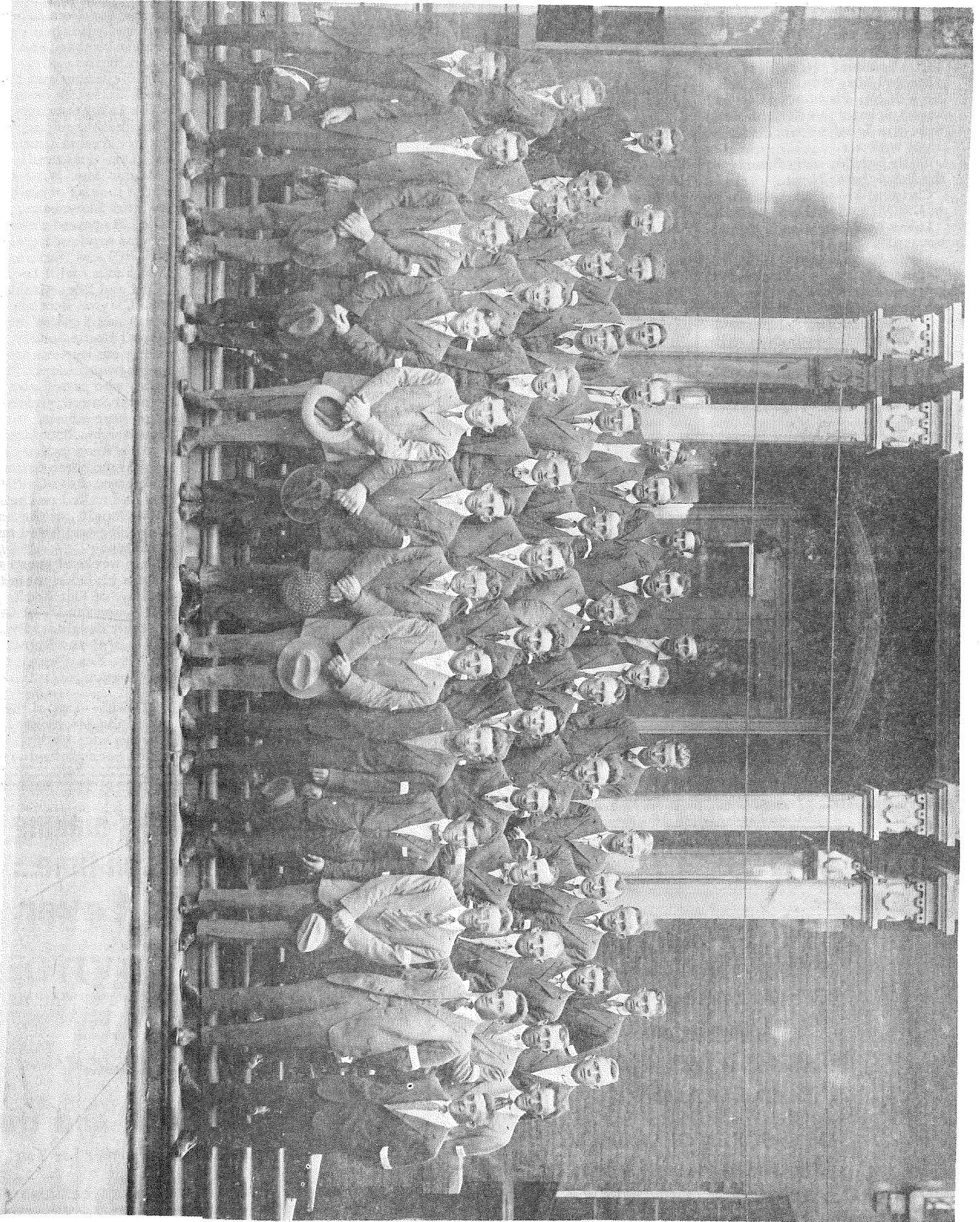
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**ISABELLA COUNTY CONTINGENT OF DRAFTTEES IN WORLD WAR I.**--Martin Boger loaned us this priceless relic of the very old days, and many will be able to recognize some of the men (now great-grandfathers or deceased). Isabella County responded readily to the call-up of men for "Over There," and they left for Fort Custer from Mt. Pleasant. The above photo was taken on the steps of the old court house in Mt. Pleasant.



JEFFERY BOSWALL

"Wildlife Safari to Ethiopia," the next Audubon Wildlife film, will be presented by Naturalist-photographer Jeffery Boswall of Bristol, England, Thursday, Jan. 29, at 7.30 p.m. in Warriner Auditorium on the campus in Mt. Pleasant.

Ethiopia has a greater range of habitats and variety of plants and animals than any other country in Africa. This exceptional film is the product of a six-months' journey through that country, beginning in a lifeless salt desert, one of the hottest areas on earth, the Danakil Depression, and culminating on top of the 15,880-foot-high Simien with some of the most spectacular mountain scenery in the world.

Included are many rare mammals and birds. Boswall has been a television and radio producer for the BBC Natural History Unit for 17 years. He is active in the leading British bird societies as well as in several international conservation organizations. He has published over 50 scientific articles, mainly about birds, but also including mammals, amphibians, and insects. He is the world's leading discographer of wildlife sounds.

Admission is 50 cents for students and \$1.50 for non-students.

EXPIRATION--Of your subscription date appears each week beside your address.

## LAKE ISABELLA

Ruth Yabs, Reporter

Ted Krauss is in the Clare Osteopathic Hospital, suffering from a heart condition. His condition was listed as poor, the first of this week. Cards from his friends would lift his spirits.

Bob Farnum is recovering satisfactorily at home. He was cheered last week when Emily and Steve Stevens called on him and brought him goodies to eat.

We want to welcome our new neighbors in the former Turnier home. Welcome to Nelson and Renee Bateman and 14-year-old son, Charles. We hope you will enjoy Lake Isabella life among us.

We understand it has been too cold, even for the snowmobilers. We've heard reports of even men getting stuck in snow drifts.

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# Editor's Column

By Connie  
(Continued from Page 1)

ful situation-possibility.

We have been working up to our present crop of incorrigibles since the 1930s, when the worship of "Youth" was instigated--and fostered by the permissiveness of Progressive Education, which we still have in all our schools, call it what the school people may.

Young people need discipline, rules, regulations, love, security of a stable home-life. But most of all they need to know the rules, and the sure consequences if those rules are flouted.

Today we have too many parents railing at teachers attempting to control their kids in the school room; we have too many parents blaming everyone and everything but themselves for the misdeeds of their offspring.

To that I say, "Baloney!" Times have sure changed. Times have always changed, and each new generation has had to deal with those changes and attempt to bring up children decently and within the law.

People have changed. People always have changed. But there are immutable laws that never do change--and unless we all, parents, teachers, oldsters such as I, the works--unless we all recognize that those immutable laws of decency, honesty, and respect for others are somewhere near observed, we're all headed for the down-drain.

All of us together. We oldsters, you parents, your kids.

Make a list of laws that never change so long as a civilization endures. Those laws are contained in the Ten Commandments, accepted as the word of God.

Eight of them are also the one and only survival kit for any nation.

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## NEWS NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Smith of Sterling Heights were Sunday guests of his mother and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Pat Doyle.

Mr. and Mrs. Emil Phillips spent an afternoon last week with the Russell Wilsons, enjoying cards.

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Momany of Big Rapids spent Sunday afternoon with his mother, Mrs. Ruth Momany. They had to leave their car on the main road at the corner and wade up the long drive to Ruth's house.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Wilson spent Sunday in St. Louis, visiting the home of their daughter, Ila Snyder.

Mrs. Grace Pitts spent the weekend with her daughter, Elaine Esterline, in Farwell.

## STORMS BATTER THIS AREA OVER THE WEEKEND

Violent winter storms--two of them--battered the Weidman area last weekend, one ending Friday night, and another following on its tail, striking late Sunday afternoon.

Both storms carried heavy snow and high winds, and local folks are beefing (we're among them) that they just barely got driveways and walks cleaned up after Friday's storm when Sunday's blizzard hit.

Sunday's storm appeared to block roads more heavily than the first onslaught, and schools throughout the area were closed Monday.

Cold accompanied the snow and winds, with temperatures below zero at times.

By Monday morning the storm had passed on, but all area schools were closed and roads generally were regarded as hazardous. County snowplows went over blacktop roads, but the side roads remained filled.

The Weidman post office reported that rural carriers would start out Monday morning, servicing at least the blacktop roads where county plows had gone over.

"They'll do the best they can," Postmaster Harry Herman told the Messenger, "but we can't guarantee that they'll go the whole routes or get to every mail box. But they're starting out this (Monday) morning."

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## WEIDMAN GIRL SCOUTS HAVE PROMOTION CEREMONY

Junior Girl Scouts Troop No. 926 had their Scout Pin ceremony Jan. 22.

Brownies received their Fly-up wings, promoting them from Brownies to Junior Girl Scouts. Girls having been Juniors last year received the Membership Star. New girls received their Girl Scout and World Association pins, as did also the Fly-up girls.

Junior and Cadette Scouts are taking orders for Girl Scout cookies until Feb. 1.

If you want to order cookies but a Scout does not come to your door, call Linda England at 644-2426 and she will give you the name of a Scout in your area.

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## NEWS NOTES

Friends of Gary Thomas will be happy to learn that he has become district manager of K-Mart Stores in Michigan and Ohio. He has 10 stores under his supervision. He and his family will continue to live in Sterling Heights.

Funeral services for Lolabelle (Loomis) Dills were held in Grand Ledge last week. She was a former resident of the West Sherman Township area, a sister of Arthur and Gordon Loomis.

## Around Horr

Jessie Rosencrantz, Reporter

### HORR MAN WINS \$10,000 ON \$1 LOTTERY TICKET

Rod Adams, owner of Adams' Trading Post store at Horr, won \$10,000 cash guarantee on a \$1 ticket and a chance at the million-dollar drawing in the spring, a couple of weeks ago at Weaver's Tavern in Weidman.

Rod says he and his wife will use the money for repairs and remodeling of the store, with new floor and ceiling in the old part and possibly some trimming-up generally.

Congratulations, Rod!

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Tim Workman of Alma was a Friday overnight guest at the Jim Thompson home.

Mr. and Mrs. Thompson attended an anniversary party in Detroit a week ago Sunday, honoring Dean and Betty Webster on their 26th wedding anniversary. His mother was the former Lucy Meeker of this area.

Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Miller were Sunday afternoon guests at the Paul Miller home.

The Elwood Millers were Saturday evening supper guests honoring the birthday of her brother, Olin Bowen, at the home of his daughter, Mrs.

Jude Simon.

Alvin Cummins and Irving Cummins were Sunday guests at the Alva Cummins home.

Callers at the Gerald Dent home during the week were Walter Kirvan, Bob Kirvan, Mr. and Mrs. Chuck Roberts and family, who were weekend guests; the Harold Kruegers were Sunday dinner guests. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Rescoe were Friday evening callers.

Gerald Dent went to see his doctor last Monday, and was coming along good with his broken leg.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Lutz and Mr. and Mrs. Nile Perry were Tuesday afternoon callers at the Charlie Losey home. Clara and the two Perrys also called on me.

Sunday callers at the Losey home were Ivan Dutcher, Harold Losey, Dan Lorenz, who were snowmobiling; and Mr. and Mrs. Theron Merrihew, and Gerald Losey.

Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Bateman moved in Saturday to a trailer home at Lake Isabella.

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## NEWS NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Louisell and family of Mt. Pleasant were Sunday guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Louisell, celebrating Bob's birthday.

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