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MRS. LUCILE MERRIHEW WE ARE SADDENED BY THE DEATH OF LUCILE MERRIHEW

This entire community mourned the unexpected death of Mrs. Orrie Merrihew (Lucile) last week.

Mrs. Merrihew was known by legions of people who had been students in her classes for these many years. She also was a friend to everyone in this community, and we are all saddened.

She was everybody's friend, and a true Christian woman. Her passing will be felt by many and for a long time.

Mr. and Mrs. Merrihew celebrated their Golden Wedding on Dec. 10, 1967.

Mrs. Merrihew was a school teacher of the old style, combining learning with love and kindness to her pupils, who never

forgot her. One of her first schools was at Alma, before her marriage; she also taught at the Woodin School, the Cook School, and taught at Two Rivers a number of years before coming to the Weidman School, where she taught until

her retirement. She has, besides the very many friends in the area, former students from all over who remember her kindness and intelligence in teaching.

The community has lost a dear friend.

BETTER THAN A LETTER



GROUND-BREAKING CEREMONIES FOR NEW ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH FOR BROOMFIELD--At impressive but simple ceremonies Sunday morning at 11.15, ground was broken for the new church for Broomfield Lutherans. Shown above, left to right: Rev. Carl Schmelzer, father of the Remus-Broomfield pastor; Richard Cook and Herman Lueder, members of the Building Committee for the new church; Gale Krueger, chairman of the Building Committee; and Rev. Edwin Schmelzer, Pastor, lifting the first spade of earth with a gold-painted shovel. The Building Committee was set up about a year ago. Messenger photo

The site for the new church is located about an eighth of a mile south of the old church, high on a hill overlooking breath taking views of countryside for miles around.

The building will be L-shaped, with the auditorium facing eastwest and a Fellowship hall and Sunday School wing to north-andsouth. The building as a whole will be 32 by 70 feet for the main auditorium, which will seat 200 people. A wing attached, placed north-south to the auditorium, will be 36 by 50 feet, and will house a fellowship hall and Sunday School rooms. The church site is composed of six acres of land on the

scenic hillside. Art Tilmann is contractor for

excavating and grading, with supervisory services of Fritz, Willoughby & Guthrie of Shepherd secured for the building itself.

Men of the church congregation did the work of digging deep trenches for cement footings, and church men will continue with volunteer labor for most of the church structure.

The new church will have brick facing on the front, or roadside wall, with siding on the remain-der of the building. It is planned to have brick finish over the entire structure eventually.

The Broomfield Zion Lutheran Cemetery will remain at the site of the old church.

HOME PAPER FOR THE WEST HALF OF ISABELLA COUNTY

YOUR MESSENGER IS LATE THIS WEEK

Your Messenger arrives a day late this week, due to the fact that Veterans' Day, a legal holiday, fell on Wednesday and we could not get the papers in the post office.

The post office was open for an hour in the morning, but was closed when we needed to get our papers in, at 3.30 in the afternoon.

Sorry, but that's the way the legal holidays fall sometimes. ---0---

Beth Jackson is spending a while with Blanche Cliff and Emma Middlesworth. Her son Kenneth, and wife of Holland called on her Sunday.

Around Horr Jessie Rosencrantz, Reporter

Frank Benn was a Sunday dinner guest of his grandson and family,

the Benn Johnsons.

Mrs. Vivian Wilson and Doug and Greg of Grand Rapids and Mr. and Mrs. John Thompson and family of Drayton Plains were Sunday guests of their father, Jack Thompson. Mrs. Zola Wright was also a guest. The Jim Thompsons attended

the funeral of Mrs. Lucile Merrihew Saturday at Weidman.

Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Le Valley of Grand Rapids were Friday callers of Mrs. Nettie Lawrence. Mr. and Mrs. Garth Lawrence and Pam were all day Saturday guests.

Ervin Dutcher called on Floyd Dutcher at the hospital Friday.

He was better.

Mr. and Mrs. Theron Merrihew took Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Losey and me to the Crittenden Funeral Home Friday evening to pay respects to Mrs. Lucile Merrihew and Bruce Kent.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Smith were Saturday evening callers at the Charlie Losey home. Mr. and Mrs. Theron Merrihew, and Don Merrihew and son, Greg, were Sunday dinner guests.

The Norman Miller family spent the weekend at their trailer here, and were Sunday dinner guests of his father, Paul Miller, and Mrs.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Oplinger attended an NFO dance at the VFW Hall in Shepherd Saturday evening. The Oplingers attended the funeral of Bruce Kent Sunday at

Mrs. Margaret Denslow was a Sunday luncheon guest of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Geasler at Brinton.

Mrs. Eva Denslow enjoyed Sunday dinner with her brother, Bill Merritt, and wife, at Six Lakes. Mrs. Flora Wood attended the

wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Maynard Whitman at the home of her grandmother, Mrs. Isabel Pelletier, in Mt. Pleasant, Sunday. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Pete Wood.

Darrell Kirvan and Mr. and Mrs. Austin Dent were Tuesday supper guests of the Gerald Dents. Kimberly Krueger spent Tuesday night with his grandparents. Mr. and Mrs. Dent, Mrs. Emily Wood and Darrell Kirvan went to Mio Wednesday to see Mabel's uncle,

who is ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Chuck Roberts and family were weekend guests of her folks, Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Kirvan. Mr. and Mrs. John Pyle and son of Flint, Mr. and Mrs. George Loomis of New Era and Mrs. Emily Wood were Saturday supper guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Monroe were Wednesday callers at the Wilbur Wright home. The Max Aldrich family spent several days last week helping her folks work on the house. Mrs. Katie Smith was a Sunday guest. Mr.

and Mrs. Paul Miller and the Norman Miller family were callers over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Cummins of Ithaca came last Monday to the home of their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Alva Cummins, to make them acquainted with their great-granddaughter, Dawn Marie. They stayed over night. Mrs. Cummins says the baby is a real good baby.

Mr. and Mrs. Garth Lawrence and Pam were Saturday callers at the Cummins home. Mr. and Mrs. Cummins were Sunday supper guests of their daughter and husband, the Tracy Whites.

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Central Gilmore

Lola Fordyce, Reporter

We are glad to report that Elsie and Alvin Wood were reported to be feeling much better at this time, and may be leaving the hospital soon.

Milton Charter of Northport, wh is attending college at Traverse City, was a guest of Dennis Lautzenheiser at the McAlvey home,

over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Gaylord Fordyce of Blanchard and Mrs. Bernice Cook of Farwell were dinner guests Tuesday at the Vaness Cook home.

The Merry Go Round Club has been postponed a week, due to the illness of Marilyn Fosberg, at whose home it was to have been held. The meeting is now scheduled for Thursday, Nov. 19, at the Fosberg home. The annual bazaar will be held at that time.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren McAlvey and family of East Lansing were Saturday night guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ed McAlvey.

Mr. and Mrs. Vaness Cook helped their granddaughter, Karen Renner, of Farwell, celebrate her birthday Friday evening, at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Renner.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Dell were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Atkinson and

daughter, Evelyn. Mr. and Mrs. Egbert Fordyce were Sunday dinner guests of Mrs. Bernice Cook. Mrs. Cook left Monday for Bradenton, Fla., where she will spend the winter.

Monty McAlvey of Lansing and daughter, Donna, of CMU, spent Saturday at the McAlvey farm. Monty was helping his father with some painting.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Fordyce of Farwell were dinner guests Tuesday of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Dell.

Mr. and Mrs. Gary Seymour of Mt. Pleasant were Sunday evening guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Don Seymour.

Kenneth Seymour put up a new small building Saturday, by his trailer.

Mr. and Mrs. Elam Seymour were honored guests at the home of their son, Don, and wife, Sunday. It was their 57th wed-

ding anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. Henry Craven were also guests. Hope you have many more, Elam and Verna!

Mr. and Mrs. Alan Marshall and family attended the funeral of her aunt, Mrs. Lucile Merrihew, Saturday afternoon, at Weidman.

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Local Items

Mr. and Mrs. Jon Nash and family have returned from Florida and are living in the Grace Smith house in Weidman. Jon is employed at the Masonic Home in Alma.

Rosie Leiter attended the funeral of Bruce Kent Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Geitman were birthday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Loren Anderson, and family, of Mt. Pleasant, Friday evening. Also present were Mr. and Mrs. C.A. Sanders of Ithaca, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Sanders of Bay City, and Tom and Rose Maltby of Mt. Pleasant. Mrs. Geitman received

many beautiful gifts for her birthday anniversary.

Friday the violet group met at the home of Mrs. Russell Wilson for a pot-luck dinner. Those present were Mrs. Lena St. John, Mrs. Maggie Boger, Mrs. Queen Taylor of Mt. Pleasant, Mrs. Margaret Hathaway, and Mrs. Nina Forbes. All had a very enjoyable day.

Mrs. Edna Schultz and Mrs. Nina Forbes attended an all-day meeting of OES Association at Mt. Pleasant Thursday.

Evelyn Roberts and daughter of Lansing and Linda Krueger and children were Saturday visitors of Mrs. Emily Wood. Mr. and Mrs. Walter Kirvan of Grand Rapids, Flora Wood and Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Kirvan and Mildred Terry of Barryton were visitors. Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Kirvan came Sunday and took Mrs. Wood to Bruce Kent's funeral at Remus.

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Nov. 12t1

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Nov. 12t1

FOR SALE--Wrought-iron breakfast set; fishing boat; mini Hoover washer; 45 h.p. outboard motor. Other items. On sale Saturday, Nov. 14, from 10 a.m. at the Ernest Epps cottage on Lake of the Hills, 6870 South Shore Drive, tel. 644-3301.

Nov. 12t1p

Legal Notice

ISABELLA COUNTY PROBATE COURT

Mt. Pleasant, Michigan ESTATE OF ARTHUR WALKER, Deceased.

THE COURT ORDERS:

Petition of James Strong praying that the Heirs of said deceased be determined will be heard December 2nd, 1970, at 10:00 A.M. at the Probate Court, Publication in Weidman Mes-

senger.

Court Rule Notice. Dated October 26, 1970.
BURKE McCLINTIC Judge of Probate.

Attorney: Gerald J. Cotter 115 South University Mount Pleasant, Michigan Nov. 5-12-19

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Aug. 27tf

SOUP'S ON!

The United Methodist Men of Weidman will be serving a chili and soup supper at the Weidman church Saturday, Nov. 21. Serving starts at 5.30 p.m. Adults \$1.25, children 12 and under, .75. Everybody welcome. Come as you are, and bring your friends with you.

Nov. 12t1

Card of Thanks

We sincerely appreciate the expressions of sympathy and acts of kindness and prayers in the passing of our husband and father, Bruce Kent.

They will be long remembered. The Family:

Mrs. Bruce Kent Mrs. Blanche Carr

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Strahle Mr. and Mrs. Ansel Kent

Mr. and Mrs. Alonzo Kent Mr. and Mrs. Miles Kent

Mr. and Mrs. James Kent Mrs. Donna Welch

Grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Card of Thanks

We wish to thank the many friends and relatives who came from far and near to help us celebrate our 50th wedding anniver-

A special Thanks to our children who hosted the happy event, for all their time and work. We also thank our grandchildren.

We want to thank our cousin. Rev. Father Wirtz, who came from Indiana to say the Anniversary Mass, and was assisted by Rev. Father Bur.

This was much appreciated. For all who brought gifts, flowers, and cards. To Helen Simmer and Vada Tilmann for their assistance, and Agnes Engler, who baked and decorated the wedding anniversary cake.

Thank you all so very much for making our 50th anniversary such a memorable occasion.

Frank and Tillie Zuker

)bituary

LUCILE MERRIHEW Mrs. Orrie Merrihew (Lucile) died last Wednesday, Nov. 4, unexpectedly, at her home. She

She was born in Dowagiac Dec. 3, 1894, and was a teacher in various schools in this area after graduating from college. She was a daughter of Arthur Fleming, a well-known farmer of this area.

She was a charter member of the Busy Bees women's club, and a lifelong member of the Methodist Church.

She is survived by her husband and two sons, Orval of Weidman and Russell, of Dearborn; one brother, Wallace Fleming, of Florida; two sisters, Mrs. Bernice Vaughn and Mrs. Lylah Sim-mers, both of California; and three grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Saturday, Nov. 7, at 2 p.m. in the Weidman United Methodist Church, with Rev. Athel Lynch and Rev. Arlo Vandlen officiating. Burial was in Fairview Cemetery at Weidman.

She will be missed by the many friends she made throughout her lifetime. The family have the deepest sympathy of all. ---0---

)bituary

VAN GUNDY BROWN Van Gundy Brown died Nov. 10 at the Medical Care Facility in Mt. Pleasant. He was 80.

He was born June 25, 1890, in Wyoming, Del. Funeral services will be held

Ibituary

BRUCE KENT Bruce Kent of Greenville, a former resident of the Horr area, died Thursday, Nov. 5, at the Belding Hospital. He was 90.

He was born Feb. 19, 1880, in the Horr area, the son of Delbert and Ellen Kent. He was a brother of John, Oscar and Fred Kent, all old-time residents of this area. He was also a brother of Ida Shook, also well known here.

Three children preceded him in death: 'le, Lorena, and Mar-

jorie,

He is survived by his wife, Effie, of Greenville; four sons, Alonzo and Ansel, both of Greenville; James of Howard City, and Miles of Saranac; three daughters, Mrs. Blanche Carr of Weidman, Mrs. Gladys Strahle of St. Johns, Mrs. Donna Welch of Greenville; and 22 grandchildren and 33 greatgrandchildren.

Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon at 1 o'clock from the Crittenden Funeral Home in Remus, with Rev. Gordon Terpening officiating. Burial was in the Forest Hill Cemetery at Horr.

His family have the sympathy of all.

)bituary

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JOSEPH J. GROSS Joseph J. Gross of Mt. Pleasant died at his home Monday, Nov. 9. He was 82. He was born June 30, 1888, in Isabella County.

Funeral services were scheduled for Thursday, Nov. 12, at 11 a.m. in Sacred Heart Church, with burial in Calvary

Cemetery.

He is survived by his wife, Ida; three daughters, Mrs. Paul Esch (Eleanor), Mrs. Roy Sunderman (Bernadette), and Mrs. Russell Hesch (Catherine); five sons, Herbert, Paul, Joseph and Hilary; one sister, Mrs. Minnie Schafer of Weidman and three brothers, Michael, Charles and Ernest, also of Weidman; and 52 grandchildren and five greatgrandchildren.

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Nov. 12 from the Stinson Funeral Home in Mt. Pleasant, with burial in the Chippewa Township Cemetery.

He was the father of Beatrice (Mrs. Charles) Gross of Weidman. Also surviving are his wife, Agnes; Charles of Alma, Mrs. Gale Christenson (Betty) of Mt. Pleasant, Vernon, George and Jack; and 21 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Walker Creek News

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Denslow, Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Denslow, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Denslow, Mr. and Mrs. Otis Conley, Mr. and Mrs. Keith Thompson, Ralph Thompson and Burdette Reed were Saturday night guests of Mr. and Mrs. Vance (Bunk) Wood, enjoying a delicious fish supper. They caught some nice ones while vacationing in Canada.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Denslow and Mr. and Mrs. Willis Finney and sons visited Mr. and Mrs. Ronald De Vries and Rhonda and Richard at Big Rapids Sunday after-

Mr. and Mrs. Marion Anderson of Grand Rapids visited her brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Har-ry Dosenberry, and Paul and Keith, Saturday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Rosser of Evart visited Saturday evening. Clyde Dosenberry called on his parents

Mr. and Mrs. Keith Loomis and daughters were weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Peeper and

sons in Lansing.
Mr. and Mrs. Keith Thompson were Sunday dinner guests of her mother, Mrs. Leona Courser, of rural Mt. Pleasant.

Roddy Thompson was a Saturday overnight guest of his brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Craig Thompson, at Roger Heights in Big Rapids.

Mrs. Gilbert Schrock, with her sister, Mrs. Jack Coon as cohostess, had a pink and blue shower for their cousin, Mrs. Richard Touchinski (Janice Miller) Friday evening. The motherto-be received many beautiful and useful gifts. After participating in games, they enjoyed a delicious lunch.

Mrs. Schrock and Philip were recent visitors of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Owens, of Lake. Mrs. Stanley and granddaughter, Donna Pung, called at the Schrock home Saturday afternoon. Art Schrock was also a caller.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Louisell, Jr., and Patrick and Jill of Grand Haven were weekend guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Dillenbeck.

Mr. and Mrs. Dillenbeck visited Mr. and Mrs. Austin Dent Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Langworthy and Dawn Marie of Chippewa Lake were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Zill.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Corwin and Robert, Jr., and Kyle Marie of Fenton are spending a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Denslow. Mr. and Mrs. Micky Dargitz and Brian, Jill and Kathy were Sunday dinner guests at the Denslow home. The children stayed to enjoy a marshmallow roast with their grandmother and aunt, Mrs. Denslow and Mrs.

Corwin, and their cousins, Robert, Jr., and Kyle Marie. Mrs. Denslow and Mrs. Corwin took the Dargitz children home Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Otis Conley were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Otto Skalitzky.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles McMacken of Riverdale called at the Arthur Schrock home Thursday evening, visiting Mrs. Schrock, but Art was attending classes at Remus, studying for his high school diploma. We admire his courage, and wish him an excellent record.

Gilbert Schrock called on his

parents Sunday evening. Rev. and Mrs. Russell Stanley, Jr., of Mt. Morris called on his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Stanley, Saturday after-noon. Mrs. Andy Stanley called during the week. Philip Schrock spent Thursday. Michael Stan-ley and Donna Pung were Saturday overnight and Sunday guests.

Ronald Stanley came out for Sunday dinner also. Mr. and Mrs. Andy Stanley and Leon of Barryton visited Sunday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Donald Stanley called Sunday afternoon, taking Ronald and Michael home. Mr. and Mrs. Donald Pung and family of Beal City visited Sunday evening, and were luncheon guests. Donna returned home with them, and Dennis and Dar-lene spent Sunday over night and Monday with their grandparents.

The grandchildren are a great help, and Grandmother appreciates them very much!! --0---

North Weidman Elvah Gott, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Root of Flint spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Earl Blodgett.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Chaffee of Grand Rapids and Laura Latham called at the Remus Funeral Home to pay their respects to Bruce Kent Saturday.

Laura Latham visited Mrs. Harley Latham of Mt. Pleasant Wednesday, and they called at the Medical Facility to visit Myrtle Drew and also Bessie Teall at Pleasant Manor. They had real nice visits with both

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Letson and daughter of Mt. Pleasant and Mrs. Sidney Wood of Gilmore helped their mother, Mrs. Ed Olger, celebrate her birthday Sunday, with cake and ice

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Theisen of Mt. Pleasant called on Mr. and Mrs. Olger Saturday even-

The Merry Go Round Club meeting has been postponed until next Thursday, Nov. 19. It will be at the home of Marilyn Fosberg, and the annual bazaar will be held at that time.

BETTER THAN A LETTER

Local Items

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Sprague had Sunday dinner with Mr. and Mrs. R.D. Sprague. Later they enjoyed a ride to Canadian Lakes

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Holt of Mt. Pleasant, Mrs. Nina Forbes of Weidman and Mr. and Mrs. Russell Wilson of Rosebush all went to Jackson Saturday, the former to visit their son and grandson and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Robert G. Holt, Jr., and Mr. and Mrs. Wilson to visit their daughter, Helen, and family. All returned home Sunday eve-

Mrs. Carl Beutler, Mrs. Clyde Beutler and Mrs. Nina Forbes called at the funeral home in Remus Saturday evening to pay their respects to Mrs. Lucile Merrihew and Bruce Kent, and also attended the Blanchard installation of OES officers.





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Dora Smith, Reporter Mr. and Mrs. George Keiffer made a trip to Detroit the weekend to visit his daughter and sonin-law, and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Keiffer made a trip to Carson City to visit Mrs.

Rose Keiffer Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Steve Kramer of Pewamo visited Mr. and Mrs. Joe Keiffer Monday. They had their dinner with them. Mr. and Mrs. Bernard F. Schafer and family of Lansing were Saturday guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Maxon and family visited her father Friday and attended the football game.

Miss Ginny Rau of Bay City spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Walter Rau and family. Dora Smith called on Mr. and

Mrs. Asa Andrews Sunday.
Miss Pat Schafer of Lansing
spent the weekend with her mother, Mrs. Ann Schafer, and

family.
Mr. and Mrs. Paul Smith and family of Big Rapids spent the weekend with Mrs. Bill Smith and family.

Sharon Pung came home from the hospital Thursday.

Dora Smith of Mt. Pleasant spent the weekend with her mother, Mrs. Louise Smith. Delores and Brian Rau and Theresa Smith visited their grandmother Wednesday afternoon. Ginger and Brian and Mrs. Walter Rau called Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Grinzinger entertained their club Sunday

evening.

John Forest paid a recent visit to his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Thomas, in New Baltimore, Mich.

Luanne and Valerie Berg, Kris Wick, Colleen Cunningham and Maureen Cunningham of Grand Rapids were weekend guests of Bob and Mary Berg.

Mrs. Tillie Schafer spent last Thursday with Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Schafer at Winn. She spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Al Klumpp and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Kavanaugh and family of Detroit spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs.

Ed Kavanaugh.

Mrs. Louise Schafer returned home Saturday after caring for her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Kenneth Schafer, in Mt. Pleasant.

NEWS NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Embrey and family and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Embrey and Sean and Mrs. Mary Clark of Mt. Pleasant were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Embrey, for a pre-Thanksgiving Day dinner and observance of birthdays and anniversaries. The Carl Embreys returned from Colorado recently, and are leaving for their winter home in just north and east of Palmetto, Florida, in the Coach House Trailer Park,

BETTER THAN A LETTER

Two Rivers

Blanche Carr, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Keith Thompson and Rodney were Sunday guests of Mrs. Leona Courser.

Mrs. Edwin Courser visited her mother, Mrs. Celia Allen, last week, in Edmore Hospital, where she underwent surgery.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Livingston and children of Farmington and Miss Jayne Swayzee were Sunday guests of the Jack Lieders.

Mr. and Mrs. Chuck Roberts and family of Lansing were visitors last week at the Harold Krueger home.

Mrs. Frank Haupt and Mrs. Herman Martin called on Mrs.

Peter Lorenz Sunday.

Callers last week at the Oral Bunting home were the John and Miles Buntings of Mr. Pleasant, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Bunting, Rev. and Mrs. Athel Lynch, Mrs. Ken Bollman, and Mrs. Irene Rayborn. Sunday visitors were Mr. and Mrs. Robert Neidervest of Detroit, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Ege and Mr. and Mrs. Russell Johnson of Mt. Pleasant.

Norman Carr and baby and Mr. and Mrs. Dalton Carr spent Wednesday and Thursday working at the Blanche Carr home. Norman and Blanche called on Bruce Kent at the Belding Hospital last Wednesday afternoon. He passed away Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Strahle, Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Plank and family, Mr. and Mrs. Dalton Carr and Mr. and Mrs. Norman Carr were Sunday supper guests of Blanche Carr. Mr. and Mrs. Steve Simmer and Elton and Pamela were callers.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Harvey and family and the Wm. Sweets and Glenn and Walter Stump were Sunday visitors of Mrs. Charles Harvey.

Harvey. Mrs. Rhoda Heinlein and Mrs. Louis Bugsby called on Mrs. Nettie Baker Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Flaugher were Sunday supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ron Flaugher and family. Mr. and Mrs. Russell Flaugher and family were visitors last Tuesday.

Mrs. Leila Shook of Weidman spent Sunday with the Gale Krueger family, and attended the ground-breaking ceremonies for the new Broomfield Lutheran Church.

Mrs. Eugene Flachs and daughters, Janet and Chris, and grandson, Rodney, and Mrs. Ivan Hines and children were Sunday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hines.

NEWS NOTES
Becky and Debbie Graham
spent Thursday evening at the
home of their cousins, Mr. and
Mrs. Dale Aldrich, of Clare.
The occasion was the birthdays
of Becky Graham and Steve Aldrich.
Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Geitman

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Geitman were in Cadillac Saturday.



THE OLD LUTHERAN CHURCH IN BROOMFIELD—Was built in 1894, and has no conveniences for Sunday School rooms and other details considered necessities today. The entire congregation of 35 families is active in the plans and work of building the new church.

Messenger photo

The old church is in its 76th year, having been built in 1893-94.

The Lutheran congregation of Broomfield started in 1870 as part of the Remus congregation. As more families settled in Broomfield, the desire for a local church became greater.

In 1893 William Hummel donated the land for the church and cemetery. The church's first pastor, Rev. Reimers, presided at its dedication Jan. 21, 1894.

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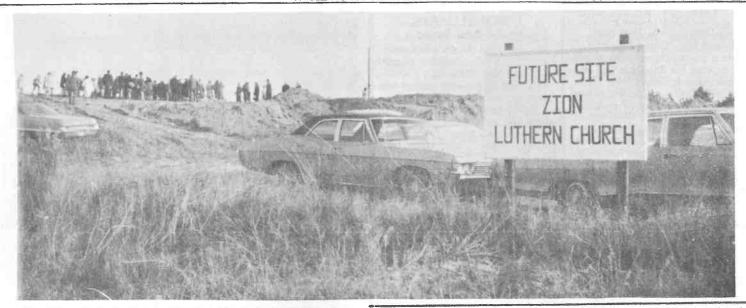
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CHURCH FAMILIES GATHER ON HILL FOR CEREMONIES—For ground-breaking of the new Zion Lutheran Church in Broomfield Sunday morning. Most of the carpentry work on the new building will be volunteer, and cost will be absorbed wholly by donations from members of the congregation. Messenger photo

REBEKAH CARD PARTY HAS EIGHT TABLES IN PLAY

At the regular Rebekah-sponsored card party last Tuesday afternoon, eight tables of pepper were in play.

Frank Benn won first prize for the men, with Elizabeth Neubecker winning first for the women. Herman Cook won low.

Hulda Stevens won the pepper prize, with the door prize going to Harriet Dillenbeck.

The next party will be Tuesday afternoon, Nov. 17.





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the Churches

WEIDMAN UNITED METHODIST Rev. Athel J. Lynch, Pastor Weidman Church:

Church School starts at 10 a.m. Worship Service, 11.15. Methodist Men, fourth Saturday

evening, 7 to 9.
WSCS, first and third Thursdays
2.30 p.m., at the church.
WINN CHURCH:

WINN CHURCH:
Worship service, 8.45 to 9.45.
Sunday School, 10 a.m.

COOMER CHURCH:
Worship service, 10 a.m.
Sunday School, 9 to 9.55 a.m.

WEIDMAN BAPTIST CHURCH (1 mile west of Weidman) Pastor: Marvin Eldridge Ph. 644-3504

Sunday School, 10 a.m.
Preaching, 11 a.m.
Choir practice, 6.45 p.m.
Evening Service, 7.30 p.m.
Prayer meeting Wednesday,
7.30 p.m.

Thanksgiving service (Wednesday), Nov. 18, 7.30 p.m., in the church basement.

Our services on the "Home" last Sunday were a real blessing. There was much practical advice shared in the question and answer times.

BROOMFIELD ZION LUTHERAN Located six miles south of Weidman on Coldwater Road.

Rev. Edwin Schmelzer, Pastor Sunday School, 9.15 a.m. Worship Service, 10.30 a.m. Ladies' Aid meets on second Wednesday of each month.

GILMORE CHURCH OF CHRIST George Getchel, Minister Located six miles south of Farwell; northeast of Weidman on Coleman Road.

Morning Worship, 9.30 a.m.

Bible School, 10.30 a.m. Youth Hour, 6 p.m. Evening Worship, 7.30 p.m.

Men in Uniform

Sgt. Walter Shaner called his folks Sunday from Fort Sill, Okla. He was in good health and spirits. He re-enlisted on a four-year hitch last year.

Steve Faber, stationed at Fort Carson, Colorado, called home Friday night. He was on leave over the weekend, so he and some of his friends at the base were seeing the country. He called from Pine Bluff, Nebraska.

Kenneth Bowen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Olin Bowen, arrived home a week ago, after he had completed his Army duties. Ken and an Army buddy went up North Saturday, where they will spend the week fishing.

Welcome home, Ken!

Ike Hampton of Benton Harbor spent Sunday afternoon and night with his mother, Mrs. Edna Schultz.

Mrs. Irma Kische and Mrs. Hermione 'mith had Sunday dinner with the Don Smith family.

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MT. PLEASANT

W. Sherman Goldie Dutcher, Reporter

Our neighborhood was saddened last Wednesday morning with the passing of Lucile Merrihew, one of our close neighbors. The family has our deepest sympathy. We also wish to extend our sympathy to the family of Bruce Kent, who lived here years ago.

Mrs. Ervin Dutcher will have Busy Bees Nov. 19.

Russell Merrihew was called home from Tulsa, Okla., by the sudden death of his mother. He and Orval spent the rest of the week with their father.

Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Merrihew of Hope, Mich., called Wednesday afternoon on Orrie and the George Merrihews. Julia and Christie came up Saturday to attend their grandmother's funeral.

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Fleming of Florida, Lylah Simmers and Bernice Vaughn and Hazel Fleming, all of California, a brother, two sisters and a sister-in-law of Lucile Merrihew, were unable to come, due to illness.

Ervin Dutcher visited Floyd Dutcher at CMC Hospital Friday. Floyd was feeling better.

Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher and Mrs. Clayton Dutcher visited the Robert Hineses after calling at the Crittenden Funeral Home Friday evening to pay respects to Lucile Merrihew and Bruce Kent.

Callers at the George Merrihew home, to attend the funeral of Lucile Merrihew, were Mr. and Mrs. Roland Merrihew and family of Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Small, Rev. and Mrs. Russell Stanley, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Chaffee, Mr. and Mrs. Theron Merrihew, Mr. and Mrs. Don Merrihew, Iva Fleming, and cousins from Albion.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Fish and daughters of Pontiac and Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Dutcher of Clarkston visited at the George Merrihew home. They came to attend the funeral of Lucile Merrihew. Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Kirvan of Barryton were Sunday callers. Edna Merrihew attended the funeral of Bruce Kent Sunday, with them.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dutcher and children spent Friday over night and Saturday with the Clayton Dutchers. They came to attend the funeral of Lucile Merrihew. They called on the Garry Dutchers.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Dutcher and girls were Saturday dinner guests of the Clayton Dutchers. The Dale Dutchers spent Saturday over night and Sunday.

Mrs. Dale Gatehouse and children and Beatrice Gatehouse called on the Clarence Chaffees Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Clayton Dutcher and Kaye called on the George Merrihews and Ronna Dutcher Monday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Dutcher

and Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher called on the Ervin Dutchers, Jr., Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. George Loomis of New Era visited the Garry Dutchers Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Roland Merrihew and Kelli of Taylor were Sunday callers. The Harold Kruegers also called.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Gatehouse and Vadah Gatehouse visited Mr. and Mrs. Bert Chaffee at their home here Sunday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher had Sunday dinner and spent the afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Jack Gaudard of Midland.

Monroe and Ruth Dutcher of Clarkston called on Ervin and Goldie Saturday. Mrs. Florence Hoffman was a Thursday afternoon caller at the Merrihew home and the Ervin Dutchers'.

Claribel and Mary Beutler and Nina Forbes attended installation of officers, OES, at Blanchard Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Small of Smith Creek visited the Clarence Chaffees Sunday.

Mrs. Joyce Yuncker and children called on Mr. and Mrs. Richard Dutcher and children recently.

Rev. and Mrs. James Linton of Midland were Thursday supper guests of the Howard Beutlers, and they all went to the Crittenden Funeral Home to pay respects to Lucile Merrihew.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Beutler and children visited her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Nethaway, of Ashley, Sunday after church, then drove to St. Charles and visited her parents. Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Sanderson.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Harshman of Lansing spent Saturday evening with the Ervin Dutchers, Jr.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Tabor and children, Mrs. Edna Tabor and children and Hilda Tabor, all of Lansing, spent the weekend with the Catherine McDaniel family. Mrs. Clayton Dutcher was a Monday afternoon caller.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hardenburgh and family of Pierson were Saturday visitors of her father, Emory Dell, and the Harry Hardenburghs.

Mrs. Ronna Dutcher returned home late Wednesday night, after spending the week in Klamath Falls, Oregon, with her son, Brian, and his wife, Linda. She enjoyed her trip out and back, and reports the two are fine and both are working, and she had her feet in snow while there.

Coldwater Lake Marjorie Schafer, Reporter

Sorry about not having news in the paper the past couple of weeks, but I have been sick with the flu.

I really don't have much news this week.

Glad to see Grace Beck out again. Heard she was in the hospital for tests.

Sunday we went over to George and Virginia Bader's home to make plans for the wedding of their daughter, Jane, and our son, Joe. Later in the afternoon we attended the jamboree at the Farwell hotel.

Monday evening guests were Jane Bader and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Gostola of Mt. Pleasant. Paul Hoover also called.

Paul and Debbie Hoover are the newlyweds who moved into our house.

Until next week, Marge

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Smith have moved into their large mobile home on the west side of the Ray Smith property, on the Airline Road.

Some casualties of the auto strike have been coming home to Weidman. Mr. and Mrs. Jim

Wilcox (Sheila Horgan) have moved a trailer on the lot next to Mrs. Ida Bazaire, on the Fred Wilcox property on Lake of the Hills road frontage. Mr. and Mrs. Bob Wilcox (Linda McArthur) are preparing to wait out the strike in a trailer house at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell McArthur.

Edna Schultz and Nina Forbes attended the Isabella-Gratiot County Association, Order of the Eastern Star, last Thursday at Mt. Pleasant.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Epps are selling their cottage and its contents on Lake of the Hills, and will make Florida their permanent home. They plan to locate at Pompano Beach, near Fort Lauderdale. Lake of the Hills residents will miss them.

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High Indv. Series, men: Jerry Thon 592, Percy Blake 544, Bob Anderson 525.

High Indv. Series, women: Linda Anderson 522, Mary Blake 518, Barb Thon 502.

High Indv. Game, men: Jerry Thon 213, Percy Blake 212, Bob Anderson 196.

High Indv. Game, women: Jean McArthur 211, Mary Blake 210, Linda Anderson 184. ---0---

Local Items

Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Sprague and girls were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Leon Snyder of Ithaca. They also called on their uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Nass, at Ashley. They also called on Mr. and Mrs. Junior Bakos, also of Ash-

Mrs. Emma Middlesworth attended the Barryton Rod and Gun Club dinner Sunday, with Mrs. Ruth Blesch and daughter, Jo.

Michael St. John, four-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Garold St. John, returned home last Tuesday after a nine-day stay at CMC Hospital, suffering from respiratory ailments. Oneyear-old Mark entered the same hospital Sunday, suffering from pneumonia. This is the second hospital stay for both little boys since last September.

HOME PAPER FOR THE WEST HALF OF ISABELLA COUNTY



ROBERT J. BLEISE 1st Vice President, Mt. Pleasant Bowling Association, Inc.

Continental League champions for 69-70 were the players on Central Concrete team, Bud Fisher sponsor. Members are: Russ Maeder, John Haupt, Harry Smith, Mel Pohl, Dale Lawens, Don Pantenburg.

Runner-up team was Wentworth IGA. High Series champion was Howard Kolarik with 635. High Game went Maurice Scherrens with 264.

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The League has a well-organized and beautifully printed yearbook, and Bob Bleise did his part in getting ads for it from this area. ---0---

Brinton News Frances Beck, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Faulds of Detroit spent the weekend with their mother, Flossie Forbes. They had just recently returned from Florida, where they had spent two weeks with their brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Bush (Irene). Bill Forbes and son, Leland, also spent some time here at their trailer, hunting.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Strang and girls of Petoskey spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Virgil LaLonde.

Mr. and Mrs. Laverne Forbes are now living in their new home west of Brinton.

The young people of the Baptist Church in Brinton sponsored a houseware party Saturday afternoon at the Community Hall in Brinton, with proceeds going to the church and Sunday School

Lewis Bowen attended a Federal Land Bank meeting at Clare Tuesday evening.

Violet Wright is working in the evergreens, making Christmas decorations, at Germaine's, near Barryton.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Bowen attended the funeral of Bernie Moorman at Barryton Saturday.

Carl, Ellen and Joyce Geasler were in Grand Rapids Thursday, where they called on Emily Geas-

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Mr. and Mrs. Fay Beutler of Holland were recent visitors of Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Sprague. The occasion was a birthday party for R.D. Sprague and Fay

Mrs. Annis Orser of Mt. Pleasant spent Saturday afternoon with

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Beutler. Mrs. Forrest Johnston of Rosebush was also a caller. Mr. and Mrs. James Beutler called Thursday evening, and Claribel went with them to Remus to pay respects to Lucile Merrihew.

Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Sprague and girls were supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. R.D. Sprague one evening last week. Mr. and Mrs. Gary Sprague were Sunday dinner guests.

Mrs. Leon Schafer and children were Sunday visitors of her mother, Mrs. Glee Krueger, and family.

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