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### In the Editor's Mail

To the Editor:

In the past, our Chippewa Hills School officials set up rules governing the use of school facilities. A portion of these rules specified that school facilities were not to be used whenever school was called off, or when school was not in session. This could include Saturdays, Sundays, holidays, or bad weather, or any number of unforeseen reasons.

The members of the Men's Weidman Location Basketball group have been using the Weidman gym every Wednesday evening when not in use, in accordance with the above school rules; but recently, when school was called off because of bad weather on a Wednesday, our group was obliged to follow the rules (which is fine), and Beal City was kind enough to let us use its gym that night.

Our group felt that rules are good, and should be abided by; but we don't feel that all rules are always necessarily in the best interests of the taxpayers.

It also seemed rather unusual to us that we could go as a Weidman group to Beal City to use their gym when our own gym was not in use, but due to rules we were denied the use of it.

So recently members of the Weidman Location Men's Basket-ball Group decided to get permission from the Chippewa Hills head administration to obtain a key to the Weidman school for the purpose of using the school gym after school hours when the school is not using it.

The intent of this was to make it simpler for the basketball group to have use of the gym and use it more often when it was not in use by others.

Another advantage of this was, if a member of the group was permitted to have a key, it would not be necessary for a janitor to be there just because the basketball group was there. Therefore, taxpayers could have more use from the school facilities and still wouldn't have to pay any extra wages to a janitor.

We have been informed by our school officials and School Board that our request for a key has been denied.

Reasons:



WE'VE ALWAYS SAID—That Michigan's January and February are simply two months to get rid of. We've almost made it—though Monday's ice, snow and wind storm was not encouraging. Maybe March will be civilized. Messenger photo

POWER FAILURE HERE DUE TO LINES WHIPPING IN HIGH WINDS, ICE ON WIRES

A Consumers Power spokesman said Tuesday morning that a power failure affecting Mt.Pleasant, Rosebush and Weidman, in our immediate territory, was due to ice building up on power lines, and high winds whipping the lines into what the company calls 'galloping conductors' or a condition of wires swinging in unison until a state of stoppage of electrical conduction is effected.

At 5.20 Monday afternoon the line of 46,000 volts feeding Rosebush, Weidman and the east side of Mt. Pleasant blocked out, and residents in all those areas were without electricty for about an hour and a half. Consumers services 4,324 customers in those areas.

Oldsters in Weidman (such as Ye Ed) dragged out ancient kerosene lamps and candles during the power blackout. Practically everyone, however, has electrically-controlled heating systems, and our places did get cold during that hour and a half.

When lights (and furnace) came

(a) 100 many people with keys, not good.

(b) There has been some dam age to school property during after-hour activities in the past.

Naturally, we still favor abiding by school rules, regardless (Continued on Next Page) on at the Messenger office and home, we marveled anew at the miracle of electric lights and electricity in general. A kerosene lamp doesn't give out much light—and we thought, no wonder folks had eye trouble before the day of Thomas Edison!

Arthur Pridgeon of Ypsilanti has returned to his home after being a patient for four weeks in Beyer Memorial Hospital in Ypsilanti.

Mrs. David Flower and Mrs. Marie Rahl will care for their grandson, David, this week. David's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Flower, of Toledo, will come up and get him this weekend.

---0---LIONS CLUB FISH FRY SET FOR MARCH 12

The Weidman Lions Club will put on another fish fry Friday evening, March 12, at the cafeteria of the Weidman School.

Profits will go towards new rest rooms for Mitchell Memorial Park, co-sponsored by the Lions and Weidman Business Association.

Serving will begin at 5.30 p. m. and will continue until 7.30 p. m. Tickets are \$1.75 for adults and \$1 for children under 12 years.

Don Clark, Lela Whearett and Comie Skinner enjoyed the smorgasbord at the Broomfield Grange Hall Saturday evening.

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# Men in Unitorm

Pvt. Gerard Straus spent the weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Straus.

He had a weekend pass from Fort Knox, Ky. His address has been changed:

Pvt. Gerard R. Straus, 377-56-6465, D-13-4, USATCA, Fort Knox, Kentucky 40121.

Gerry says he is grateful for all the letters people wrote him, and while it was impossible to answer all of them, he wants everyone to know that he is grateful, and the letters helped.

Walter and Stanley Shaner were supper guests of Mrs. Hart, their grandmother, Thursday. Walter will return to a base in Washington to head back for Vietnam.

COUNTY TAXPAYERS MEETING MARCH 8

An important county-wide meeting of the Isabella County Taxpayers Association will be held Monday evening, March 8, at 8 o'clock, at West Elementary School on Bradley Road in Mt. Pleasant.

All taxpayers interested in bettering their positions as land owners are urged to attend.

16 TABLES IN PLAY AT SENIOR CITIZENS PARTY

At the regular Senior Citizens card party at the K. of C. Hall in Beal City last Thursday afternoon, there were 16 tables of pepper in play.

Louise Schafer won first prize for the ladies, second to Leona Faber; Mike Gross won first for the men, with second going to Herman Cook.

Pepper prize was won by Veronica Tilmann, who also won the door prize.

The next party at the K.C. Hall in Beal City will be Thursday afternoon, March 4.

MASONS CHILI SUPPER IS THIS FRIDAY NIGHT

Don't forget the chili supper Friday night, Feb. 26, at the Weidman Masonic Hall. The Weidman Masons are putting on the supper, while the Eastern Stars will have a bake sale and bazaar.

> ---0---NEWS NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. R.D. Sprague were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Looman of Cedar Springs.

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(Continued from Page One) of their merit. But we feel the public would be interested to know of this problem.

We also wonder if our school officials question the trustworthiness of our group. We feel that any member of our group could be trusted with a key to the school and be just as responsible for the key and the school as any superintendent, faculty member, School Board member, or janitor. As a matter of fact, let's not confuse who employs whom.

Needless to say, we feel that poor judgment has been used on the part of our school officials in handling this matter.

If destroyed or stolen property is going to be the reason, we wonder if the school shouldn't be closed up permanently, because it's a known fact that in the past property has been broken and stolen during regular school hours.

If the possibility of a member of our group losing the key or misusing it is going to be the reason, then we are as much as being told that there is no one in our group who is responsible enough to be entrusted with a

key. With this kind of attitude, it's little wonder that our voters turned down the swimming pool because the only ones to have access to it would have been the people with keys, and keys are just for the chosen few, ap-

If there is any error in this article, or if we have misinterpreted the answer returned to us by our school officials, please feel free to call Lee Parker, 644-3474. We are not too proud to stand corrected.

Maybe there is a better way to have access to school facilities than issuing a key. If so, we are open for ideas, but not a flat "No". This does not seem like a reasonable or co-operative solution or attitude. Signed,

Lee Parker Kenneth McDaniel Clyde Dosenberry M. Fredrickson Lane Chapman Gary Gatehouse ---0---

West Gilmore
Lena Cole, Reporter
COUNTY WIDE MEETING

OF TAXPAYERS MONDAY A county-wide meeting of the Isabella County Taxpayers Association will be held next Monday evening, March 1, at 8 p.m., at West Elementary School on Bradley Road in Mt. Pleasant. We urge taxpayers of Gilmore and Vernon Townships to attend this meeting. We must do something. Coldwater and others are getting their own zoning laws.

Let us get busy. Paul and Lena Cole visited Richard Mahon at CMC Hospital Monday evening.

Tuesday visitors of the Coles were Mr. and Mrs. Lester Swan and Ken Allen of Mt. Pleasant.

Sorry to hear Ken has been a recent patient at the hospital in Ann Arbor.

Mrs. Irene Jones attended the funeral of a friend in Flint Monday.

Mrs. Jean Hart has been off work this week from the Home and Training School, due to back trouble.

Paul Cole called on his sisterin-law, Mrs. Clara Wixson, Friday. He also called on his brother-in-law, Wm. Wixson, and found Bill doing fine.

Mrs. Audrey Henry fell on the ice and hurt her leg very badly one day last week. The doctor wanted her to go to a hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Lane Chapman and baby, Amy, and Mrs. Jean Hart and Roxann visited Mrs. Charlotte Hart Sunday.

Mrs. Paul Cole visited Mrs. Anna Hanner at Pleasant Manor Thursday evening. The Paul Coles visited Richard Mahon at CMC Hospital that evening.

Mrs. Harry Dosenberry called on Mrs. Pearl Geasler Thursday. ---0---

Around Horr Jessie Rosencrantz, Reporter

Mrs. Opal Denslow called at Howard City Wednesday to pay her respects to her cousin, Roy Olmstead, oldest son of Henry Olmstead, former west Barryton residents, who passed away Sunday. She also called on her uncle, Henry Tice, who is in poor health.

Mrs. Denslow and Mrs. Shari Harvey were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Junior Denslow and Debbie of Lakeview. Mr. and Mrs. Burdette Denslow of Lansing were Sunday callers of Mrs. Denslow. Burdette is in very poor health, and will be moving to their trailer home at Diamond Lake for a permanent residence

Mrs. Nettie Lawrence accompanied Mrs. Myrl Scott and Mrs. Burton Scott to Indiana last week to see their sister, who is ill. Mr. and Mrs. Garth Lawrence and Pam were Sunday dinner and supper guests of his mother.

Mrs. Flora Wood, Mr. and Mrs. Pete Wood and Mrs. Freda Miller went to Pontiac Thursday to see their sister and aunt, Mrs. Martha Pote, in St. Joseph Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Andrews and children of near Coleman were Sunday evening guests of the Earl Oplingers. Eddie Oplinger and Rick Johnson are spending some time at Ruskin, Florida. They went Friday.

Mrs. Margaret Denslow and Mr. and Mrs. Dean Denslow and children were Sunday dinner guests of the Keith Baker family in

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Dent called on her mother Wednesday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Miller were Thursday callers at the Dent home. Mr. and Mrs. Harry Dent and baby were Sunday afternoon callers. Mr. and Mrs. Harold Krueger and children were Sunday evening guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Martin and Woodrow went to Manistee Sunday to see her father, who is a patient at the hospital there.

Brad Martin attended an FFA meeting in Lansing Saturday.

Kevin Johnson has been a patient in the Mt. Pleasant hospital since Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Chapman were Sunday evening callers at the Charlie Losey home.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Thompson were business callers in Lansing Tuesday, and also called on her

Sorry. I guess the wind has done

something to the telephone, so better luck next week.

BRINTON NEWS Nora, Ellen and Ann Geasler and Frances Beck were in Mt. Pleasant Thursday.

Marie Scott called on Violet Wright Wednesday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Don Measel and

Hazel Graham called on Carl and Ellen Geasler and Nora Geasler Saturday.

Connie Bowen accompanied Darrel Haenke to Grand Rapids Thursday, where they picked up his infant son from the hospital, where he had been since he was two days old. He is reported as coming along fine. Wanda and children are spending this week with her parents, Lewis and Irene Bowen.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Geasler and Carl and Ellen Geasler spent Sunday with Emily Geasler in Grand Rapids.

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SENIOR CITIZENS AND VETER-ANS--March 2 is the last day to sign up with your township Supervisor for Senior Citizens Homestead Exemption on your taxes. Veterans Homestead Exemption also on that date or before.

EARL OPLINGER Supervisor Sherman Township

# Legal Notice

ORDER OF PUBLICATION STATE OF MICHIGAN NO. 11,615

Probate Court for the County of Isabella.

Estate of GUY JACKSON, Deceased.

IT IS ORDERED that on April 7, 1971, at 9.30 A.M., in the Probate Courtroom, Mt. Pleasant, Michigan, a hearing be held on the petition of Wendell Jackson for appointment of an Administrator, and for a determination of heirs. Publication and service shall be made as provided by Statute and Court Rule.

BURKE McCLINTIC Judge of Probate Dated February 10, 1971. Stephen W. Fox 102 Hersee Bldg. Mt. Pleasant, Michigan Feb. 18-25-Mar. 4

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Roberts of Lake were Saturday morning visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Sprague.

# **Legal Notice**

BOARD OF REVIEW NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN--To all persons liable to assessment for taxes in the Township of Coldwater, County of Isabella, State of Michigan:

That the first meeting of the Coldwater Township Board of Review will be held March 8 and 9, 1971, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Community Hall at Brin-

For the purpose of reviewing township assessment rolls.

LEWIS BOWEN Supervisor Coldwater Township Feb. 25t2

# **Legal Notice**

BOARD OF REVIEW

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN -- To all persons liable to assessment for taxes in the Township of Nottawa, County of Isabella, State of Michigan:

That the first meeting of the Nottawa Township Board of Review will be held Tuesday, March 2, at the Nottawa Township Hall. And on Monday and Tuesday,

March 8 and 9, 1971, from 9 a. m. to 4 p.m., each day; For the purpose of reviewing township assessment rolls.

ERNEST SCHMIDT Supervisor Nottawa Township Feb. 25t2

# **Legal Notice**

BOARD OF REVIEW

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN ---To all persons liable to assessment for taxes in the Township of Sherman, County of Isabella, State of Michigan:

That the first meeting of the Sherman Township Board of Review will be held March 8, at the Sherman Township Hall. for the purpose of reviewing township assessment rolls.

From 9.30 a.m. to 4 p.m. EARL OPLINGER Supervisor Sherman Township Feb. 25t2

BOARDS OF REVIEW FACE HEAVY WORK LOAD

Boards of Review of all townships in Isabella County-face heavy work loads this year, due to the "valuation" figures of the GEM Survey on real estate prop-

Members of the Nottawa Township Board of Review are Virgil Smith, Harry Pung and Andrew

Members of the Sherman Township Board of Review are Austin Dent, Art Loomis, and Paul Mil-

The Coldwater Township Board of Review is composed of Lewis Bazaire, Albert Geasler and Ray Bowen.

# **Legal Notice**

At a Special Meeting of the Coldwater Township Board, a resolution was adopted declaring the intent of the Coldwater Township Board to proceed under the provisions of Act 184 of the Public Acts of 1943 as amended (Township Rural Zoning

And the said Coldwater Township Board hereby publishes notice of this resolution in this newspaper of general circulation in the township of Coldwater.

At the regular March meeting of the Coldwater Township Board, a Zoning Board will be appointed, consisting of four members.

Signed: Coldwater Township Board Fern Beutler, Clerk Feb. 25t1

### Coldwater Lake Marjorie Schafer, Reporter

Well, another week has passed and winter is still with us. We did have some warmer weather last week.

Mrs. Derry Dunn was in the hospital last week. Flo Haupt is also in the hospital.

Mrs. Jerome Beck was out of school last Friday with a bad cold.

Had a nice chat with Grace Beck Friday. She said she was feeling pretty good now.

The Wade Wischmeyer family

of Alma spent Sunday with his parents, the Walt Wischmeyers. Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Robke of Higgins Lake were also guests.

Fred and Helen Graham of Mt. Pleasant and Walt and Dellie Wischmeyer were our guests Thursday evening.

Monday morning I called Loretta Lorenz and had a nice chat with her. She said she and Pete had a nice card game Friday evening with Clarence and Lois Ritter, and Sunday night with Kate Martin and son, Ray.

Saturday morning we went to Kalkaska to visit our daughter, Ruth Ann Sherlock, and family. We went with our son, Jerry, and wife, Jane, of Mt. Pleasant. Wayne Sherlock is in the Tra-

verse City Hospital. Until next week, Marge

### **NEWS NOTES**

Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Sprague and girls were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Leon Snyder of Ithaca. They called on Mr. and Mrs. James Sutton and family of Ashley also, and Mr. and Mrs. Carl Nass, also of Ashley.

Eva Denslow and Margaret Sisco were last Tuesday afternoon callers of Helen Smith.

Ula Cummins spent from Tuesday to Saturday in the Lakeview Hospital for x-rays and tests.

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# Walker Creek News

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Wright of Brinton visited Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Schrock Friday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Schrock visited his mother, Mrs. Nella Schrock, of Riverdale, Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Steven Voss of the Ojibwa visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Voss, Sat-

urday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Voss and Mr. and Mrs. Steven Voss and other relatives went to Grand Rapids a week ago Saturday, to honor Mrs. Bert Chaffee on her birthday, which was Mon-day. Happy Belated Birthday, Mabel!

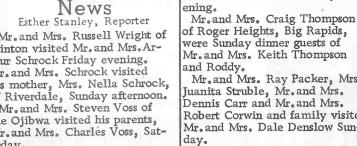
Mr. and Mrs. Barry Conley and Kurt and Floyd Sowle anjoyed fish supper Friday with Mr. and Mrs. Otis Conley.

Mrs. Otto Skalitzky visited her sister, Mrs. Kate Darnell, at Barryton, Thursday afternoon.

Mrs. Skalitzky reports that the Quilting Club found a partial denture plate at the Brinton Hall at their last meeting. Owner should contact members of the club. Or possibly Mrs. Eunice La Londe might know of it.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Zill of Saginaw and family were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Don-ald Zill and family, and enjoyed snowmobiling.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Coon visited Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Schrock and Philip Saturday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Schrock and Phil-



Mr. and Mrs. Ray Packer, Mrs. Juanita Struble, Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Carr and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Corwin and family visited Mr. and Mrs. Dale Denslow Sun-

ip visited Mr. and Mrs. Spike

Branson in Weidman Sunday ev-

Mrs. Lyle Denslow and sister. Mrs. Wyona Risdon, visited Mrs. Dorothy Moody of Blanchard Sunday afternoon. The Denslows son-in-law, and family, Mr. and Mrs. Micky Dragitz, of

rural Remus, visited Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Lou Gray were in Mt. Pleasant last Tuesday, calling on their son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Duane Gray, and

Mrs. Clarence Ley called on the Grays Monday, and was a dinner guest. Mrs. Rita Brazie of the Ojibwa was a Thursday supper guest. Mr. and Mrs. Gary Portenga and family had Sunday dimner with the Grays.

Mr. and Mrs. Portenga moved to Lake Isabella over the weekend. They have purchased a

lovely home there.

Mr. and Mrs. Keith Loomis visited their son, Dennis, at the hospital in Mt. Pleasant, last week. He was quite ill, but was reported as improving the first of this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Loomis took their daughter, Marcia, to a neuro-logist at Saginaw Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Loomis and family were Saturday supper guests at the Keith Loomis home

Mr. and Mrs. Loomis and daughters visited his father, Arthur Loomis, Sunday evening.

Mrs. Bonnie Bobroski spent a few days last week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Emmons.

Mrs. Wm. Wilcox took her daughter, Cathy, to the Midland hospital last week for surgery on her teeth. Mr. Wilcox, who recently returned home from the hospital, was reported as feeling better.

We didn't know till we called for news that Mrs. Lena St. John was back in the hospital at Lakeview this week.

Scott and Michael Finney of the Coldwater Oil Field spent Saturday over night with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Denslow. Mr. and Mrs. Willis Finney came for them Sunday and were dinner guests.

Mrs. Mabel Cummings, and Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Cornell and Dennis and Tina of Barryton, and Miss Lee Ann Davis were also Sunday dinner guests of the Denslows.

Mr. and Mrs. Denslow visited Mr. and Mrs. Otto Skalitzky Friday evening.

Mrs. Mary Cluchey of Rodney visited her brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Dosenberry, and Paul and Keith, Sunday. The Dosenberrys celebrated their 29th anniversary Sunday. Happy anniversary, Harry and Alma!

This is a correction of an item about our daughter-in-law, Mrs. Andy Stanley (Lorena), who was scheduled to enter Butterworth Hospital in Grand Rapids last week. She came back home because there were no beds available there. She goes this Thursday to Ferguson Hospital in Grand Rapids, for surgery Thursday morning. Dr. James R. Irwin is on call at Ferguson, and will do the surgery. He is Andy's cousin.

Andy, our son, has a birthday Thursday. I wish him a happy one, with a speedy recovery for his wife. (Our best to you always. Mother and Dad.)

Mr. and Mrs. David Moore and Debbie, Pam and David, Jr., of Lake Thirteen visited the Russell Stanleys Saturday and were dinner guests. Mr. and Mrs. Donald Pung and family of Beal City were Sunday afternoon and luncheon guests. Donald Stanley and Martin and Richard called Sunday afternoon. They were snowmobiling.

Mrs. Adelbert Pung of St. Johns called Sunday evening, reporting that they had visited Mr. and Mrs. James Stanley of Elsie, and found them in fair health. ---0---

BETTER THAN A LETTER

# Local Items

Dimple De Long and Helen Smith were Thursday callers of Isabel Sisco at the Clare Hospi-

Judy Lawrence spent Sunday afternoon with her mother and grandmother, Ula Cummins and Helen Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Pitts were among many from here attending the Dairy Association dinner at the Mt. Pleasant High School Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Smith spent Thursday visiting her brother, Lou Harrington, at Greenville, who was seriously ill. Mr. and Mrs. Smith were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ted Smith and Jim, celebrating Clayton's birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Creed and children of Algonac and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Straus and children of Flushing spent the weekend with Mrs. Leah Scharrer.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Grantham and son, Howard, and Mrs. Sue Shipley and daughter, all of Bay City, were Sunday guests of Mrs. Emily Wood.

Mr. and Mrs. Chum Warner and Dick Wilbur of DeWitt were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Horstman and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Knapp of rural Evart spent Saturday afternoon with their stepmother, Mrs. Ethel Bywater.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Brien of Ithaca were Sunday visitors of Mrs. Nina Forbes.

# Ge Bank of the Convenients

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# Beal City Dora Smith, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Joe Schafer of Mt. Pleasant spent Thursday evening with Mrs. Tony Schafer.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Baird spent last weekend with their parents. in Battle Creek.

Mrs. Milo Eldred and Mrs. Bob Tatro of Winn spent Wednesday with Mrs. Tony Schafer. Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Stewart are

the proud parents of a baby girl. Mr. and Mrs. Al Klumpp and family attended a birthday party for Mrs. Mabel Klumpp at the Ardis Home in Farwell.

The family of Peter Schafer had a birthday party for him Sunday afternoon. He was 91.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Finnerty entertained the Farm Bureau Thurs-

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Martin entertained their club Sunday eve-

Mrs. Louise Schafer entertained

company Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Keiffer spent Sunday evening with Louise and Dora Smith. Delores and Brian Rau were Wednesday afternoon callers. Mrs. Walter Rau called Sunday afternoon.

Now that Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wilcox have their baby, it makes Louise Smith a great-greatgrandmother.

Delores and Debbie Rau and Theresa and Ann Smith drove to Midland Sunday to see the Trowbridge triplets.

Dora Smith called on Mrs. Louise Schafer Sunday evening. Mrs. Wm. Stewart came home Friday from the hospital, with the new baby.

The Altar Society held a bingo party Sunday evening with a good attendance.

BEAL CITY CLASS STUDIES DRUG ABUSES

Deborah Pung, a student at the Beal City Public School, wishes to call attention to an article given out by the teacher of the 8th grade health class.

"The Eighth Grade Health Class at Beal City High School has been involved in the study of a drug unit, and has reached the firm conclusion that when abused, drugs can be harmful and further, can cause extinc-

NATIONAL FFA WEEK ENDS THIS SATURDAY

National Future Farmers of America Week has been Feb. 20 through Feb. 27--ending this Saturday.

The Beal City Chapter has just completed taping a radio broadcast over WCRM, Clare.

Displays devoted to Beal City's FFA activities during the past year are on display in the public school's main showcase.

The Beal City Chapter has 60 members, according to Curtis Du Vall, FFA Advisor for the Beal City Chapter.

During the past year the Beal City Chapter received three awards for district leadership contests. FFA boys now are engaged in sales of vegetable and flower seeds to local residents.

Their community service the past year included landscaping the school grounds, a continuing process; improving several buildings at the school, and building a small storage shed.

### ---0---Two Rivers

Blanche Carr, Reporter Mr. and Mrs. Craig Thompson of Big Rapids were Sunday supper guests of his grandmother, Mrs. Leona Courser.

Mr. and Mrs. John Harvey and family of Chippewa Lake and Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Sweet and children of Mt. Pleasant were Sunday guests of Mrs. Florence

Callers at the Oral Bunting home during the week were Mr. and Mrs. Miles Bunting, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Bunting, and Mr. and Mrs. David Bollman.

Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Flaugher have returned from an 11-day trip to Texas and Mexico. Mr. and Mrs. Ray Flaugher called on them Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Flaugher, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Flaugher and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Flaugher spent the past couple of weeks on a trip to Las Vegas and other points of interest in the

Mrs. Kate Martin visited her daughter, Mrs. John Schupbach, Saturday.

Visitors at the home of Mrs. E. R. Rhode and Harold during the past week were Mrs. Richard Lueder, Mrs. Paul Lueder and Ralph, Mrs. Cleo Wiley, and Mrs. Bea Adams. Mrs. Rhode visited her daughter and family, the Joe Gostolas, Saturday, and was a Sunday dinner guest of the Paul Lueders.

Mr. and Mrs. Basil Rogers were Wednesday evening guests of the Fred Swans.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Lueder spent Saturday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Bob Hines. Shelly Hines was a Friday and Saturday overnight guest of her grandparents.

Richard Cook returned Friday from a world tour sponsored by the Kellogg Foundation.

Carl Cook visited the Orves Cooks Thursday. Mr. and Mrs. Rudy Nagy of Mt. Pleasant were Saturday evening guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Cook and family visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Neil Richardson, Friday evening. It was Neil's birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Lieder are in Detroit, on their way home from the winter in California. They expected to be home Tuesday. ---0---

Mr. and Mrs. Garth Lawrence and Pamela were Sunday evening callers of Alma White and her mother, Ula Cummins.

SO WE'LL PUT EDNA SCHULTZ BACK IN TENNESSEE

So we goofed in last week's paper on the whereabouts of Edna Schultz, having put her in North Carolina, when in fact she's in Tennessee. We hereby place her back where she really is, with her grandson, Richard Wiley, at Brentwood, Tennessee, near Nashville. --- 0---

Born to Mr. and Mrs. James Steinman Feb. 19, a nine-pound daughter, at the Lakeview Hospital. She has been named Angela Dawn. Mr. and Mrs. Harold Straus are the proud grandpar-

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wilcox, a son, Bryce Edward, Feb. 17, at CMC Hospital. He weighed seven pounds, seven ounces. Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell McArthur and Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Wilcox are the happy grandpar-

Mr. and Mrs. Harold McArthur of Broomfield were Sunday afternoon and evening guests of Mrs. Vera Hagerman. They had just returned from Florida, and took Mrs. Hagerman gifts of fruit from that sunny state.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Straus called Sunday at the Lakeview Hospital to see Mrs. Lena St. John, who is a patient there. They also called on their daughter, Mrs. James Steinman, and new baby. ------

W. Sherman Goldie Dutcher, Reporter HOUSE BURNS TO GROUND

The house owned by Dr. Baker south of here, formerly owned by Wayne Fox of Weidman, burned to the ground early Sunday morning. Mrs. Enid Smock was living there.

The fire had such a start by the time the Weidman Fire Department got there that it was beyond saving. And it didn't take the Firemen long coming out, either \*\*\*\*

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dutcher and Rex and Dawn of Midland spent from Friday evening till Sunday with the Clayton Dutchers. They had Sunday dinner with the Garry Dutchers.

The Howard Beutlers helped her mother, Mrs. Sanderson, celebrate her birthday Sunday in St. Charles.

Mr. and Mrs. James Yarrick are the proud parents of a baby daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Beutler and children went to St. Charles Friday after school to visit her folks, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley San-

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Beutler and Mr. and Mrs. James Beutler went to Detroit to the Better Homes Show Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Dutcher visited her folks, the Theodore Cases, of Titus, Thursday even-

Mrs. Ronna Dutcher and Sandra called on Mrs. Clayton Dut-

# the Churches

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at Brinton, 7.30 p.m. March 3 (Wednesday), Board meeting, prayer meeting, business meeting.

Choir practice Thursday, 6.30

cher Sunday afternoon. Garry Dutcher and children had supper with his mother and the Robert Dutchers Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Remington and sons, Troy and Dean, of Saginaw, spent from Friday afternoon till Saturday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher, Sr. Mrs. Ronna Dutcher and Sandra and Steve were Sunday callers.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Howe and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Dutcher were Saturday evening callers of the Clayton Dutchers.

Harry and Leo Gatehouse and Duane Thren and Kevin, Keith and Kim attended the snowmobile races at Canadian Lakes Sunday. The Gary Gatehouse family attended races at Barryton that day.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Maeder and Mark spent Sunday afternoon with her folks, the Harry Gate-

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Chaffee. spent Sunday evening with Mr. and Mrs. George Merrihew.

The Tom Hoffman family visited the Dale Gatehouses Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Ken Ballard and daughter spent the weekend with the Harry Gatehouses and Hazel Davis, who is visiting her brothers and families. They are from Midland.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Fitzgerald were in Kalkaska on business last Thursday. While there they visited friends, Mr. and Mrs. Danny Bittle and Mr. and Mrs. Ray

Katie McDaniel fell on the ice Sunday and broke her ankle.

Mr. and Mrs. Gale Merrihew and friend, Mrs. Joyce Barnabo, all of Clio, visited the George Merrihews and had lunch with them Sunday, on their way home from Big Rapids.

Orrie Merrihew and son, Orval, visited a cousin, Iva Fleming, of Pawpaw, Saturday. Another cousin, Alice Landon, of South Bend was also visiting.

Well, here it is another cold, windy Monday. And they say another storm on its way. Those robins folks have been seeing had better take shelter or head south. (Yes, we did get another sleet storm.)

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Wentworth IGA	13	
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High Team Series: Household Appliance 3038. High Team Game: Pabst Blue Ribbon 1063. High Indv. Series: Bob Berg

621, Bob Hartupee 619, Tom Bierschbach 559.

High Indv. Game: Bob Hartupee 279, Bob Berg 221, Tom Bierschbach 213.

GUYS & DOLLS

Feb. 19		
Lawens-Pantenberg	21	3
Blehm-Hyde	19	5
Moore-Long	17	7
Bierschbach-Huber	15	9
Thon-Blake	13	11
McConnell-Myers	12	12
Ecker-Eldred	10	14
Moore-Moravy	10	14
Nolte-Kolarik	9	15
Stewart-Bleise	- 6	18
Bleise-Straus	6	18
Pung-Keesler	6	18
High Team Series:	Blehm	3

Hyde 2439. High Team Game: Blehm & Hyde 851.

High Indv. Series, men: Bob Moore 551, Dale Lawens 526, Jerry Thon 505.

High Indv. Series, women: Mary Hyde 597, Barb Thon 514, Dorothy Huber 446.

High Indv. Game, men: Jerry Huber 200, Dale Lawens 197, Bill Stewart 192.

High Indv. Game, women: Mary Hyde 208, Barb Thon 186, Dorothy Huber 181. ---0---

MAY (WOLFE) COATES DESCRIBES EARTHQUAKE

(Editor's Note: The following are excerpts from a letter received this week by Blanche Carr from May (Wolfe) Coates in Sylmar, Calif., near the epicenter of the recent earthquake there.)

Yes, Blanche, I sure was in the earthquake--almost the center of it. Sylmar sure got it. I never got such a shaking up in my life.

It came at 6 a.m., and I had been up and had gone out to get my LA Times, looked at the headlines and weather forecast, then lay back down to stay, I thought, until it got light, then I was going to the wash house to do my laundry.

But--zam-bang! Total darkness and the terrible rumbling, almost deafening, noise, and every thing falling and crashing, and the shaking was like the paint cans on those things they put the cans on to shake the paint--and at top speed.

It was something that I'll never in-law. forget--and I don't want to go through it again -- no, never! Don't know as it was any worse than facing a tornado, though.

There are places in the streets that a car could sink into; streets with large cracks; some of the freeways impassible, bridges collapsed.

The VA Hospital is close by. Ben was in the part that was buried with 90 persons. The last one was removed yesterday. Homes demolished, some burned, but some can be repaired.

Our park is in a mess. My home is not in livable shape, but issurance companies are working at top speed to repair damages.

Lyle and Kate were shaken up and some dishes were broken and walls cracked in their home, but not too bad. They came right over to see if I was alive or buried. They, as you might say, picked me up body and britches, and brought me home with them. This area was then ordered evacuated because the big dam was expected to break and flood all through here. But all were allowed to return Saturday afternoon.

This is the way one reporter described the quake: "For more than one violent minute, starting at 6.02 a.m., we rolled in the clutches of a jolting earthquake. The first was a sharp jolt, intensifying each second, and peaked in 45 seconds to a shuddering crescendo of rocking and swaying, then tapered off in a slow series of shocks and tremors." That's pretty well describes it. Now this is Sunday evening and we are still getting aftershocks and tremors. Some are rather strong, too.

Word was received from Dollie Bower (Dollie Sprague) from San Fernando, Calif., saying that she received a slight concussion in the recent earthquake there. She was staying with her son, Bob, and wife. Dollie said Bob's home suffered wide cracks but she didn't say anything about her own home, which was close to the veterans' hospital which was totally destroyed.

R.D. and Jennie Sprague tried to call Dollie during a week after the quake, but were unable to get through. Her letter arrived Monday of this week.

---0---North Weidman Elvah Gott, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. John Latham and family moved into Lillian Johnston's house over the weekend

Mr. and Mrs. John Gott and Mr. and Mrs. Albert Gott attended the funeral of their grandson, Don Reigle, of near Midland last week. He was killed Monday afternoon at 1.25 in a deep ditch cave-in. He was working for the Mt. Haley Excavating Company in Saginaw County.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Gott called on his parents Monday night after the accident of his son-

Mrs. Laura Latham had Sunday dinner with Mr. and Mrs. John Latham and family in their new home.

Mr. and Mrs. John Gott had Sunday dinner with the Don Alwoods. Cathy Alwood missed school Monday on account of illness. She stayed with Mrs. Gott. BETTER THAN A LETTER

Word has been received that Evalena Hibberd has recovered from a bout with flu, and was feeling good again. She is 92 years old, and bakes bread once a week. She is staying with her daughter, Ruth Smith, at Las Vegas, Nevada.

Mrs. Choice Foster and daughter, Mrs. Fiorello, were Tuesday visitors of Mrs. Ina Gillett.

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