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Editor's Column

By Connie

BEAL CITY 33,

SACRED HEART 7. WHEE! Congratulations to the Beal City Aggies on whomping Sacred Heart Academy at Mt. Pleasant Saturday night, 33-7.

It's taken years for the Aggies to trounce their traditional rival, but this, apparently, is an Aggie year.

We hope they'll be the next State Champions in Class D. Weidman High School did it, once, in basketball Class D. Beal City can do it in football. Go, Aggies!

THE DAY THE TRAIN WENT OFF THE TRACK

Ye Ed can remember clearly the day the railroad engine and at least one car slid off the track while "switching" in Weidman. In the old photo on this page is hown the dilemma, which finaly demanded the services of the big snowplow" sent up by the ailroad, with its superior engine ower, to get the units back on rack.

We have several more pictures of this incident (we can rememper the happening, but not the rear), sent to Mrs. Melvin Loeling of our lake area here, by he widow of Ernie De Hart of Coalmont, Tenn.

We shall try to get further showings of the old--and historic-event of the train going off the track in the paper in the near fu-

I DIDN'T VOTE FOR CARTER OR FORD

So, for the first time in my adult life, I did not vote for President of the United States at the Nov. 2 elections.

Sorry, but that's the way I felt about it--and still do.

So now we have a Democratic President and a Democratic

(Continued on Back Page)





CUTTING OUT THE SPILLWAY AT LAKE WEIDMAN--Tuesday morning completed the dam construction, begun last summer. A small bulldozer from Allen Lumber Company opened a channel at water's edge, and the spillover began, to lower the lake's water level in accordance with DNR specifications. (More photos on back page.)

Mrs. Becky Sowle of Clare spent Sunday with her mother and sister, Mrs. Wanda Graham,

and Debi. Becky and Debi enjoyed dinner at the Coldwater

NEW EQUIPMENT FOR THE WEIDMAN TELEPHONE OFFICE

An equipment addition totaling over \$63,000 in cost is in progress in the Weidman central office of General Telephone Company, Bill Buschle, division manager, announced this week.

The expansion was deemed necessary because of continued growth of the Weidman exchange, and it will provide for additional circuits for calling between Weidman and Mt. Pleasant.

It will also provide 100 main lines and 200 more terminals for local calling. A "line" is the equipment that provides dial tone and "terminal" is the equipment that provides a telephone number.

These additions in Weidman are part of a state-wide program of service improvement projects.

NEWS NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Schmidt spent the weekend at Reese, with their daughter, Rita, who is a teacher in the school there. AUTUMN?--WE NEVER HAD ANY

September and October went by without giving us a taste of fall warmth as trees turned grudgingly and dropped leaves early.

We in the Weidman area did have a lovely display of colors for about two weeks, back there in September, around our lakes; but generally, trees did not give off their usual bright tones, probably due to freezes and generally dry and cold weather during the usual "color" period for this area

Monday morning of this week, Nov. 8, local outside thermometers registered 14 degrees above zero, some kind of record for this time of year in these parts.

It looks like a long, cold win-

Those with wood-burning facilities (fireplaces, kitchen stoves,

etc.) are finding already what a lovely kind of warmth real live fires give out. For ourselves, we love our old kitchen wood-burning cookstove that Ma used to bake bread, pies and cakes in, and do all the family meal-getting on.

Friend Norval Morey at Winn has a beautiful noon spot program urging the utilizing of waste wood products: "The dead, the down, the dying" trees; and all the tree-cutting trimmings and debris ordinarily left to rot where they fall.

Our hats are off to Morbark. One man had a bright idea for peeling bark off sawing logs, and from that he's now international and greatly diversified, with a dozen or so labor and material

saving patents and devices. Let's burn the waste wood and keep warm this winter!

NEWS NOTES

Local Senior Citizens who went on several government-sponsored bus trips to scenic places have reported complete enjoyment of the events. A crowd of 89 participants met for a party at the Barryton Senior Citizens' Hall in Barryton recently. A big crowd enjoyed a pot-luck lunch and a program. Margaret Johnston, Claribel Beutler and Emma Mid-

dlesworth were among those from this area who attended. A trip to the Ice Show in Grand Rapids after Thanksgiving is being planned. One busload is already signed up, with a second busload being organized.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Wilson spent Sunday with their son-inlaw and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. James Snyder, of St. Louis.



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FOR SALE--Ford 4-Door L. T.D. 1974. Good shape, lots of extras. Phone 644-2025. Reason for selling: Have purchased a pickup.

Oct.21tf

LOST--Malamute dog, spayed female, gray and black. Tel. 644-2170.

Oct.21tf

BAKE SALE--The Band Boosters are having a Bake Sale Saturday, Nov. 20. We would appreciate donations of baked goods and customers.

Nov. 7t2

HELP WANTED--If you are neat appearing, ambitious, and need a job, we have two parttime jobs open in our kitchen. Coldwater Lake Inn, Ph. 644-3655.

Nov. 4t2

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BAKE SALE--Saturday, Nov. 20, Sponsored by Band Boosters. Donations of baked goods--and customers--will be appreciated.

Nov. 4t2

NOTICE -- The public is cordially invited to the Grand Opening of Uncle Ben's Rest Home, located two and a half miles west of Weidman on Airline Road. Saturday, Nov. 13, 1976, from 2 to 8 p.m. We will have beds for six patients. Nov. 1Ît1

LOST--German shepherd, female, gray and a lot of tan coloring. Ph. 644-3507. Spike Branson.

Nov. 11t1

WANT TO HELP A SCOUT?--The Weidman Girl Scouts will 4, at Fox Hardware. Donations of baked goods, and customers to buy same, will be appreciated. Sale will be from 9 to 12 noon.

ORDERS ARE NOW BEING TAKEN--For Varsity and Award jackets. Back in time for Xmas. Schafer's Bait and Sporting Goods, Weidman.

Nov. 11t2

FOR SALE--Year round 2-bedroom, 1 1/2 baths, lakefront cottage, with two back lots. Can be seen at 1445 Lake Shore Drive, Coldwater Lake. Call owner, 644-2555 or 644-2068. Nov. 11221 2

ATTENTION! -- Deer Hunters!! Schafer's Bait and Sporting Goods will be open until 10 p.m. for your convenicence, beginning Nov. 11. All hunting supplies here.

Nov. 11t2

Card of Shanks

The family of Lane E. Chapman would like to extend their sincere gratitude to their neighbors, friends and relatives, for the cards, flowers, food, and sympathy shown us during our recent bereavement.

There are many, and it is impossible to reach each of you, so please accept this note of appreciation.

Special thanks to Pastor Marvin Eldridge, who was a great source of comfort and strength to the family.

We would also like to thank Mr. Helms and the staff of Stinson-Helms Funeral Home.

Your kindness will never be forgotten.

> The Family of Lane E. Chapman

Biluary

OZELLA GREEN

Ozella Green of rural Barryton died Nov. 1 at the Edmore Hospital. She was 70.

She was born Sept. 3, 1906, in Mecosta County, and was a life resident of that area. She was a teacher for Millbrook and Aetna Townships, and was a graduate of Mecosta County Normal School and Central Michigan University.

She is survived by her husband, Rolland; son and daughter-in-law Robert and Charlene Green, of have a bake sale Saturday, Dec Hersey; three grandchildren, and a sister, Mrs. Alma Kane, of Detroit.

Funeral services were held at the Daggett Funeral Home in Barryton Thursday, Nov. 4, with

burial in the Strong Cemttery in Broomfield.

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ESTHER PROUT

Esther May Prout of rural Rosebush died Nov. 4 at CMC Hospital, where she had been a patient for two weeks. She had been ill for two years. She was 82.

She was born Dec. 23, 1893, in Denver Township, and lived all her life in that area. She spent the past 30 years wintering at Pinellas Park, Florida.

She is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Earl (Frances) Hafer of Mt. Pleasant; a grandson, five greatgrandchildren, and a sister, Mrs. Frank (Flossie) Prout, of Rosebush.

Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 7, at the Stinson-Helms Funeral Home in Mt. Pleasant, with interment in the Denver Township Cemetery. ---0---

NEWS NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Wilson of Lake were Wednesday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Emil Phillips. Mr. and Mrs. Larry Williams and four children of Midland were Saturday visitors. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Valentine of Midland were Sunday guests.

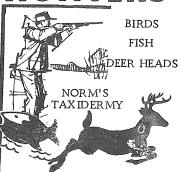
Mr. and Mrs. Ben Peacock and son are now living in the Hermione Smith house on Main Street. Welcome to Weidman!

the Churches

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

Sunday School, 10 a.m. Morning Service, 11 a.m. Evening Service, 7.30 p.m.

There will be a Gideon speaker at the church next Sunday.



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Brinton News

Frances Beck, Reporter

Senior Citizens met with their annual meeting at the hall last Thursday, with 29 in attendance.

Don Lee of Grand Rapids did some paneling for his uncle, Alfred Bartley, the weekend.

Eunice La Londe and I were in Clare Wednesday, where I called to see Dr. Olson of Saginaw.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Geasler, Carl and Ellen Geasler, Joyce Geasler and Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Fosberg and boys attended the wedding of Mark Graham Saturday afternoon, and the reception in the evening, at Harrison. Mr. and Mrs. Levi Geasler of Pontiac and Emily Geasler of Grand Rapids also attended. Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Mark Graham!

Minnie Russell and daughter from near Evart called on me last Wednesday.

Violet Wright did some papering for Josephine Waid at Lake last week.

Irene Bowen accompanied Iva Blodgett to Lansing Friday.

BRINTON CHAPEL

James Weber, Pastor. Sunday School, 10 a.m. Church School, 11 a.m. Midweek Services Thursday, 7.30 p.m.

West Gilmore

Lena Cole, Reporter

Mrs. Beulah Pfannes was very much surprised Saturday evening when several friends dropped in to remind her she had another birthday.

Congratulations to the new Mr. and Mrs. Dan Casteel. Mrs. Casteel is the former Miss Bobbie Worth. A reception was held Friday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Worth, in honor of the newlyweds.

George Cornell helped Norman Geasler Saturday.

Miss Lynn Worth spent the weekend at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Worth. The Paul Coles and Velma

The Paul Coles and Velma spent the weekend in South Bend, Ind., with their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Mossell.

Mrs. Otto Hoag was admitted to CMC Hospital Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Dean visited her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Straus, Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Straus and children spent Hallowe'en at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Henry. They all enjoyed caramel corn.

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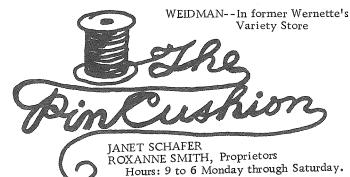
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North Weidman

Elvah Gott, Reporter
Mrs. Zena Olger spent two days
with her daughter and husband,
Mr. and Mrs. Dale Letson, in Mt.
Pleasant the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Wernette and girls and Jeff had Sunday dinner with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Don Abbott.

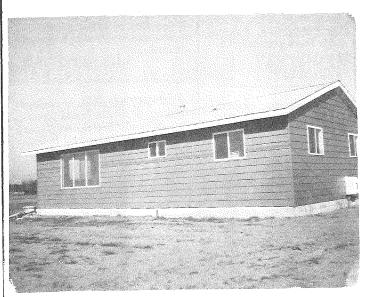
Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell Abbott and Muriel Miller were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Dan Leiter. NEWS NOTES

Wilbur Reinert has restored the old house on the corner of Bridge and Fifth Streets, and has been making it his home for some time. He says it cleaned up and fixed up really nice. He is enthusiastic about being able to walk to shopping areas here, and also about being able to walk to the Masonic Hall for Food With Friends. He says the latter is the nicest thing that has happened to Senior Citizens in a long time.

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Beal City

Dora Smith, Reporter

BEAL CITY AGGIES TAKE SACRED HEART, 33-7

The Beal City High School Varsity football team won over Sacred Heart Academy Saturday night at Mt. Pleasant, 33-7.

The Beal City JVs won over Sacred Heart 30-0. They have had a very good season this year, with only six points scored against them.

Mr. and Mrs. Terry Schafer of Colorado Springs are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Schafer, of Beal City.

sing. Also visiting there were his sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Wyman, of Ypsilanti. While in Lansing they also visited Mrs.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gould and family visited Mr. and Mrs. Don Gould Monday.

Gould Monday.

Mrs. Fred Gould called on Mrs.
Emily Goffnett of Mt. Pleasant
Monday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Nelson of Stanton, Mr. and Mrs. Milo Eldred of Winn, Matie Pung and Tillie Schafer called on Mr. and Mrs. Herman Grinzinger Monday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Ron Malish and Orie Farner of Mt. Pleasant called on Louise Schafer Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Snider and family visited Mr. and Mrs. Joe Keiffer one day last week. They are from Barryton.

Chuck Schafer and Jean Gross were married Friday evening, with a reception at the K. of C. Hall in Beal City. A very nice wedding.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gould had dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Larry Rau Sunday evening.

Louis Rau had dinner Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Walter Rau. Mrs. Howard Schafer is home from the hospital.

Brian Joseph Shaner, son of Stanley and Kathy Shaner, was baptized in church last Sunday.

The Beal City High School Athletic Dance is Saturday, Nov. 13, at the K. of C. Hall, from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.

Brian Gould spent Saturday night with his great-aunt, Anne Smith.

Mrs. Sheila Rau called on her mother, Mrs. McCall, Thursday. Renee Rau spent Saturday af-

ternoon with Ginger Rau.

The Parent-Teachers Conference was Monday and Tuesday of

this week.

The children of Loretta Hansen had a surprise retirement party for her Sunday at the K. of C.

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NEWS NOTES

Roger Smith and son and friend of Ubly were Sunday callers of Roger's grandmother, Mrs. Leah Scharrer.

Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Sprague and girls were Saturday supper guests of R.D. and Jennie Sprague.

Coldwater Lake

Jean Schneider, Reporter Mr.and Mrs. Alvin Schneider of Lansing spent Sunday afternoon visiting Mr.and Mrs. Leonard Schneider.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Dennis spent the weekend of Oct. 30-31 at Bowling Green, Ohio, attending Central Michigan University's football game

football game.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Mitchell
spent Sunday visiting his parents,
Mr. and Mrs. Milo Cook, of Lansing. Also visiting there were his
sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs.
Carl Wyman, of Ypsilanti. While
in Lansing they also visited Mrs.
Mitchell's mother, Mrs. Holliday, who is recovering nicely
from surgery.

Doris Schneider spent five days visiting in Lansing with her sister, JoAnn. While there she also visited Laura Hawk and Mischon Olger, former school friends, and attended a Bath High School football game.

Mary Harter and Dawn Dennis attended the Newcomers' Welcome Wagon Arts and Crafts sale Thursday in Mt. Pleasant.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Baker are spending this weekend working on their addition to their cottage.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Doutre were up here this weekend, and spent Saturday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Schenider.

A big Welcome Home to Jo Allen, as she returned from 10 weeks' vacation in Germany. She spent her time with her son, Sgt. and Mrs. August Merritt, and family of Dexheim, Germany, who are residing there. Jo commented she had a wonderful time

sightseeing, and that the country landscape was beautiful. She visited some grape vineyards and attended two wine festivals, and viewed the historic Rhine River. The people are very friendly, and she brought back gifts for her family before flying back on Pan Am Airlines. Jo hopes to visit Europe again sometime.

After returning home, she visited her brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Brazier, who live in 'Grand Blanc.

NEWS NOTES
Food With Friends had a nice party at the Masonic hall basement dining room last Monday, with music, speaking, and with Mrs. Leona Courser at the piano. There were recitations of 'pieces,' in the old manner, and refreshments of cider, donuts, cupcakes and coffee.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Smith spent Friday and Saturday with their son at Wolverine.



THANK YOU

As re-elected sheriff of Isabella County, I find it gratifying that the people of Isabella County displayed their confidence in myself and my department.

It is difficult to find words to express our sincere thanks and appreciation to the many

people who supported me and for the many acts of kindness during the campaign.



DONALD F. GILLIS SHERIFF

PD. POL. ADV.

SHERIFF GILLIS HAS BEEN HAVING THE FLU--BUT NOT THE SWINE VARIETY

Sheriff and Mrs. Donald Gillis paid a call at the Messenger office Tuesday morning, and we had a nice visit.

The Sheriff has been suffering from a mild case of flu-- not the swine flu stuff, but just plain old misery-kind.

They mentioned Mary Jean
Dwyer of Traverse City, an old
friend, who visited Mt. Pleasant
relatives (the Ray and Kay Chamberlains) and friends there, and
then came on over to see her
aunts, Connie Skinner and Frances Tranbarger.

We were pleased to see a page ad in Buyers Guide's new newspaper last week, from friends of the Sheriff, congratulating him on his quiet and restrained re-election campaign.

We'll second that.
And the Sheriff's Department really did a wonderful job in the Weidman area at Hallowe'en time.

First time this town has escaped being messed up with smashed pumpkins, overturned garbage and trash cans, and the like, on its streets, in years.

May we continue so.

And may we add our congratu

And may we add our congratulations to a good Sheriff. In fact, an outstanding Sheriff, and his faithful deputies.

NEWS OF THE OJIBWA RECREATION AREA

Mrs. Donald Terry and Mrs. Claud DeWitt spent three days in Detroit, visiting Mrs. De-Witt's sister, Mrs. Dorothy Mitchell.

Mrs. Mitchell honored her guests at a luncheon at the Forbidden City Dynasty Room, in honor of Mrs. Terry's recent marriage (she is the former Patricia Nance), and Mrs. DeWitt's birthday.

Among the guests were Mrs. Terry's mother, Mrs. Norman Dietz, and her two daughters, Mrs. John Roth and Mrs. Bill Later, Mrs. Mitchell joined her guests at an informal supper at Mrs. Hasner's home.

This was a joint birthday supper for Mr. Roth, Mr. Hosner, and Mrs. De Witt, whose birthdays fell on consecutive days.

Donald Perry, caretaker of the Ojibwa Recreation Area, has been moved from the Saginaw Veterans Hospital to the Veterans Hospital on Southfield Road, Dearborn, where he is undergoing tests for possible cardiac surgery. Mrs. Terry is staying with relatives in the area until definite diagnosis has been determined.

LAKE ISABELLA

Ruth Yabs, Reporter

It was good to get home, after a trip to Corunna and Lansing. Getting home in time to vote, too.

We enjoyed an afternoon with our son, Edwin, and family, in DeWitt.

Saturday guests at the Guerin home were Bob's brother, Bill Farnum, and wife, Betty. They took Bob, Doris and Julius out to dinner at the Coldwater Lake

Ted Krauss has been home from the hospital over a week, and is feeling good again.

Dorothy Van De Mark has been home from the hospital two weeks, and is making a remarkable recovery from surgery. She says she has found there are many wonderful, thoughtful people around Lake Isabella. Her neighbors have been taking in meals, and helping in many other ways. She is very grateful for all these acts of kindness.

Mr.and Mrs. Elwood Miller were Monday dinner guests of their son-in-law and daughter, Mr.and Mrs. Richard Touchinski, and girls.

LEGAL NOTICE

Proposed Lake Pauline Mobile Home Park Isabella County Planning Commission

Notice is hereby given that a Public Hearing will be held in Room 124, at the Isabella County Building, 200 N. Main Street, Mt. Pleasant, MI, on Thursday, November 18, 1976 at 7:30 p.m.

The Public Hearing will be held on the following described property: South ½ of Section 28 except 396' North and 660' East of the SW corner in connection with an application for a Zoning Permit No. 382 to construct a 50 unit mobile home park. Interested persons are requested to appear and voice their opinions with respect thereto.

Isabella County Planning Commission James Tuma Secretary to the Board

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WEIDMAN 4-H CLUB NEWS AND ITEMS

The Winning Pioneers 4-H Club of Weidman chose their officers for the coming year, on Tuesday, Oct. 19. The following were voted into office:

Deb Wernette, president; Liz Hackenbruck, vice president; Linda Wilmot, secretary; Diane Beutler, treasurer; Jamie Carrick, reporter; Deana St. John, historian; Kathy Shaner, song leader; David Bywater, game leader; Lori Wernette, parliamentarian; Michelle Bellinger, refreshment chairman;

The young folks also decided that dues should be 50 cents a season, for fall, winter, spring and summer.

Tuesday, Oct. 26, the officers were installed. Then the officers initiated all the Winning Pioneers as 4-H members in a small cere-

All members signed the official register, and received a calendar, a 4-H pin, a schedule, and a personal record book.

After the ceremony, Don Walk-She visited Joyce Yuncker Moner, from the County Extension of day. fice at Mt. Pleasant showed slides of 4-H doings. He told about some of the things the Winning Pioneers can participate in.

Jamei Carrick Reporter, Winning Pioneers

Around Horr

Jessie Rosencrantz, Reporter Mr. and Mrs. Jim Thompson were Saturday callers in Lansing, and also called on her mother. Last Wednesday, Mrs. Thompson attended WSCS at the Remus Methodist Church.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Thurber were Sunday guests at the Alva Cummins home.

Mrs. Nettie Lawrence and Mrs. Helen Smith called on Mrs. Myrl Scott Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Geasler of Pontiac were Sunday callers at the Paul Miller home.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Kirvan were Wednesday callers at the Gerald Dent home.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Krueger and children were Thursday evening callers of the Dents. Mr. and Mrs. Russell Sides also called that evening. Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Johnson and family were Sunday dinner guests. Charlie Purtle and children were Sunday callers. Gerald and Mabel spent Friday in Lansing with their daughter and family, the Chuck Robertses.

Sunday callers at the Pete Wood home were their son, Michael, Lee Floria, and Mr. and Mrs. Dan Mills.

Mr. and Mrs. Mack Denslow spent from Friday till Monday at the home of Mrs. Joyce Chaffee, while she went to Nashville

to the "Grand Ole Opry". The Denslows and Mr. and Mrs. Jay Darnell went to Flint to the home of Duane Root, to attend a family gathering before they came home Monday.

Floyd Dutcher was a Tuesday caller at the Charlie Losey home. Harold Losey called Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Chapman and Chad and Jason were Saturday supper guests. Mr. and Mrs. Theron Merrihew were Sunday afternoon visitors. ---0---

S. W. Sherman

Goldie Dutcher, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher, Sr., were Saturday evening visitors of the Bud Hines family of Barryton. They visited Robert Hines, who was spending the weekend with the Barryton family. Sunday afternoon Ervin and Goldie visited the Ervin Dutchers, Jr., and the Clayton Dutchers.

Lois Cain of Grand Rapids spent till Wednesday with her folks.

Ed Oplinger was a Sunday dinner guest of the Ervin Dutchers, Jr. Ervin and Ronna took Lois Cain back to Grand Rapids Wednesday. Ervin called on the Roy Siscos Friday evening.

Lois Cain was a Monday afternoon caller of the Ervin Dutchers.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Dutcher and family spent Saturday evening with the Walter Howe family.

Bert Chaffee is gaining every day, and Bea Gatehouse is out of the intensive care unit at CMC Hospital, and is slowly gaining. ---0---

Mrs. Verlia Wilcox spent from Friday till Sunday afternoon with her sister, Sadie Zorn, in Grand Rapids.

Mrs. Helen Smith and daughter Ula Cummins were in Ithaca and Carson City last Wednesday.



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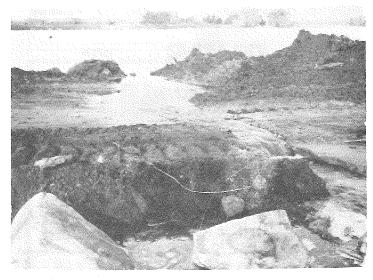
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SPILLOVER BEGINS AS A SMALL OPENING--Was cut at water's edge to allow the lowering of water level in Lake Weidman.



HERE SHE COMES!--This is how the emergency spillway on Lake Weidman operates. The spillway area is reinforced with steel casings deep down into the ground, to insure prevention of washout of the spillway area. Messenger photos

Editor's Column

By Connie (Continued from Page 1)

Congress. Whew.

Not that a Republican President made much difference, for my money. He vetoed a few bills that were of doubtful meaning, even to an old conservative maverick like me. That was about it, for my money.

So--now I'm gunna batten down the hatches, as my two Navy brothers used to remark in times of uncertainty, and try to be ready for anything.

"Anything" can be more employment through guvment spending, which will send the old inflation figures soaring. Mr. Car-

ter has promised to put people to work, through guvment programs if necessary.

Franklin Roosevelt found it expediently necessary, and we began the road to socialism, welfare for the millions and the inflated dollar for the worker.

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So beet.

PONTIAC MOTORS DONATES AUTO PARTS TO COLLEGE

The Pontiac Motor division of General Motors, Inc., has donated several new engines, transmissions and other automotive components to Mid Michigan Community College (Harrison) automotive program.

The new equipment will be placed in the college's new Automotive Technology Center, and will be used as training aids by college students.

The Automotive Technology Center is due to be operational at the beginning of the next college semester.

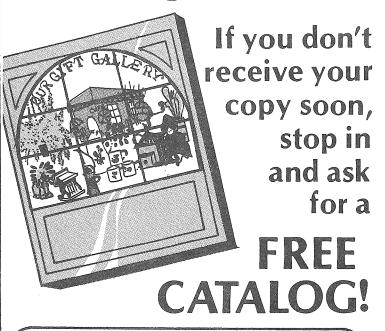
The Center will be one of the most modern and best equipped automotive mechanic training facilities in Michigan.

The modern, well equipped Technology Center is a welcome addition to the rapidly expanding vocational programs at Mid Michigan Community College.

BETTER THAN A LETTER

Darrell Pitts spent the weekend at home with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Pitts, from his studies at Great Lakes Bible College. Jonathan Wood also spent the weekend with his grandparents. Bernard and Yvonne took him home Sunday. Little Joel, who spent some time in Bronson Hospital in Kalamazoo, is home. He was a "preemie" baby.

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