WEIDMAN DAYS FRIDAY AND SATURDAY, July 7 and 8

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#### Editor's Column

By Connie

NEXT WEEK IS WEIDMAN DAY --AND WE DON'T PUBLISH Next week Friday and Saturday are the big event--Weidman

We will not be getting out a paper next week, as it's our quar-

terly skip-a-week vacation, which we need indeed.

Last year we carried over into July on account of Weidman Day, and it was much too much. Besides that, we're a year older this Weidman Day, and we just ain't gunna try it.

So--we'll pick up reports on Weidman Days in the July 13 is-

One big reason we can't continue workin' next week is the fact that, with this issue, we'll have got out five weeks of the Messenger during June--and that is a long haul.

So--we'll see yuh all in the issue of July 13. Our faithful news writers also will be taking the first-of-July break, along with a tired old Ed.

#### SOLAR HEATING IS COMING INTO HOMES

Since we had that big box of a solar unit placed at our front door a few weeks ago, we have had many visitors, strangers, who saw the gadget and wanted a closer look.

Latest visitor was a man from Littlefield Lake (I think), who is seriously in the business. He's been heating his expensive lakeside home with electricity, and has brought his heating bills down from something like \$179 the year 'round (on a pro-rated monthly basis) to around \$9.

That's a lot of heating bills to save. Others are experimenting with various ways of solar heating, and many are installing small units on their homes, most of it hand-done by the homeowner.

Let 'em wrangle over the nucle-

ar power plants, and the oil supplies from Arab states.

That ol' sun is up there, show-



WEIDMAN DAYS, 1978

#### **PROGRAM**

FRIDAY:

Carnival, beginning at 1 p.m. Beer Tent, open 12 noon to 2 a.m. Food Stands Open, 9.30 Flea Market (Between Weaver's Tavern and the Post Office).

SATURDAY:

PARADE, 10 a.m., assembles and starts at the school athletic field.

Breakfast: M.E. Church, 8 a.m. GAMES: Fish Pond, Children's Games, start at 12 noon. BOOTHS AND FLEA MARKET open after the Parade. CARNIVAL -- Starts at 11 a.m.

BEER TENT, 11 p.m. to 2 a.m., in the Park.

HOBO STEW, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., at the Park. Seating available in the Pavilion.

BINGO--At the pavilion in the Park, 2 to 7 p.m. FOOD STANDS in Park and on Main Street. FIREWORKS Saturday Night, 10 o'clock. HAVE A WONDERFUL DAY!

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ing a surprisingly frequent record in winter; and, after initial cost of installation (so far, none of the solar units has been what you'd call expensive), your heat from the unit it free; kilowatthours free, gas-unit free, what have you. Old Sol does a remarkable job of sending heat rays down to earth; and we Earthlings

are slowly wakening to the fact that the sun will go right on shining (when it wants to), and that its God-given radiance is free.

Solar-unit home heating is the coming thing.

HOBO STEW A FEATURE OF SATURDAY WEIDMAN DAY If you liked Evelyn Hackney's

bean soup recipe at the Lil' Mac Pig Roast last winter, you'll want to feast on her recipe for "hobo stew," which will be served in the park on Saturday, the final celebration of this year's Weidman Days.

Serving will begin at 11 a.m. and continue till 2 p.m., after which it's Bingo!

#### S. W. Sherman

Mabel Chaffee, Reporter

Mr.and Mrs. Jack Gaudard of Midland were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher, Sr. Hattie Losey and Mr. and Mrs.

Ervin Dutcher, Sr., spent Thursday in Grand Rapids, visiting Floyd Dutcher and Bob Hines at the Veterans' Facility.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Gatehouse and the Harry Gatehouses attended the 60th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Mack Denslow Sunday afternoon.

Miss Florence Fitzgerald of Lansing enjoyed the weekend with her parents, the Carl Fitzgeralds.

Mr. and Mrs. Milo Henkels of Mecosta were Friday evening guests of the Fitzgeralds, and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Crofton of Saginaw enjoyed Sunday with Carl and wife.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Dutcher attended a 25-year class reunion Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Owens of

Beaverton were Sunday afternoon guests of the Dutchers.

Allen Sheldon of Cheboygan is spending a few weeks with his father, Oren Sheldon.
Pat Egbert spent last week in

Lansing, visiting her parents. Her daughter, Sherry Eberbach, brought her home Saturday morning and spent the weekend with

Minnie Flaugher, Millie Voss; Mabel Chaffee, Doris Wilmot and Linda and Deb Wernette visited Rose Leiter and Laura Latham at Riverview Apartments in Mt. Pleasant Tuesday.

Mabel Chaffee spent Sunday afternoon at the anniversary party for the Mack Denslows. In spite of rain, more than 200 relatives, friends and neighbors attended, to congratulate this ageless couple.

I have lovely memories of that beautiful stone house by the river, where the Kents, Darnells, Sheldons, Kirvans, Loseys and the Terry kids played, many years ago. They were all there

Sunday to renew these memories with the Denslows, who seem to get sweeter as they get older. There should be more couples like Mack and Margie and the world would be a better place. God bless them both.

Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher, Jr., spent a few days sight-seeing in the Upper Peninsula last week.

The Jim and Dick Dutcher families enjoyed coffee and cake at the Clayton Dutchers' Sunday. The Bob Dutchers visited them Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Wilson of Shepherd enjoyed Sunday with the Howard Beutlers.

The Beutlers attended church in Albion last week, where their nephew was ordained. ---0--

The Lones of Chillicothe, O., were here for the weekend, in the old Sprague house on Sixth Street. They plan to come here to live permanently in the near future. Mrs. Lone was a Thomas girl.

the Food Stamp Caper

Have you heard the story? A welfare recipient secretly "borrowed" a country ham from the farm where he had part-time work. He went down town and sold it to the grocer for \$27. He then used \$20 of the proceeds to buy \$80 worth of food stamps for which he was eligible through welfare.

The man then bought \$51 worth of groceries and bought back the same ham for \$29 worth of food stamps. He then returned the ham to the farmer's smokehouse.

The grocer made a profit; the farmer got his ham back. And the welfare recipient wound up with \$7 in cash in his pocket and \$51 worth of groceries.

You think it's funny, eh? It is...until you ask, "Who paid for the food stamps?" -- Submitted by Mabel Chaffee)

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WEIDMAN DAYS--Next Friday and Saturday, July 8-9.

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Local Items

Mr. and Mrs. Tony Touchinski of Big Bay, Mich. (U.P.), were Sunday overnight guests of their brother and family, the Richard Touchinskis. Mabel Bingham is spending the week with her nephew and niece, the Touchinskis, and girls, after which she will go to Marquette with the Touchinskis, on her way North from Florida.

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#### **Obituary**

EDWIN N. THOMAS Edwin N. Thomas of Sears, a former resident of Weidman, died last Wednesday at Saginaw Veterans Hospital after a year-long illness. He was 57

Funeral services were held Friday at 3.30 p.m. at the Stinson-Helms Funeral Home in Mt. Pleasant, with burial in Fairview

Cemetery at Weidman. He was born Aug. 27, 1920, in Illinois, son of George and Mary (Willis) Thomas.

He was a veteran of WWII, serving with the U.S. Army in Europe. Snarri Smith, was and Mrs. Jerry Smith, won the VFW Post No. 5738.

He is survived by a son, Gary, of Sterling Heights, and a grandson. Also surviving are four sisters, Mrs. Martin (Lucille) Bauman of Farmington, Mrs. John (Alma) Reynolds of Connecticut, Mrs. J. Merton (Mary Frances)

Lone of Ohio, and Mrs. James (Jean) Loper of Oklahoma. Also surviving are two brothers, Carl and Miles, both of Clare.

The Thomas family were residents of the village of Weidman for some time before World War II, living in the house on the corner of Bridge and Seventh Street.

The family have many friends

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#### **Obituary**

This area was saddened by the passing of Joseph Zuker, who died Monday, June 26, at CMC Hospital. He was 81.

He was born Oct. 6, 1896, in Isabella County, in the Nottawa Township area, where he spent his life.

In 1926 he was married to Frances Bauer in St. Philomena's Church in Beal City.

He is survived by his wife, Frances; four sons, Edward and Michael, both of this area; and James and Lee, both of Ithaca;

Also seven daughters, Mrs. Mary Robinson of Belleville, Mrs. Betty Mueller of Lansing, Mrs. Eileen Quinlan of Mt. Pleasant, Mrs. Theresa Vander Werff of Lowell, Mrs. Edna Tiffany of Grand Rapids, Mrs. Virginia Keller of Munica, Mich., and Mrs. Connie Huston of Orange City, Florida;

Also 47 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren, and a host of friends.

Five brothers and five sisters preceded him in death.

Funeral services are planned for this Thursday at 10.30 a.m. in St. Joseph the Worker's Catholic Church in Beal City, with burial in the church cemetery there.

Rosary services were held at the Lux-Rush Funeral Home in Mt. Pleasant Wednesday evening at 8.

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#### Local Items

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Showalter of Martinsville, Va., arrived Sunday for a two-weeks' visit with his mother, Mrs. Rose Showalter. He is a brother of Mrs. Mitchell McArthur (Jean) and Mrs. David Flower (Helen).

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Smith called on their mother, Mrs. Clara Smith, and took her a lovely batch of strawberries, Sunday. Sharri Smith, daughter of Mr. trip to Disneyland in California, at the Weidman IGA Store owned by Keith Baumann. She left Tuesday and will return Friday, June 30.

Tim McArthur of Pontiac was home over the weekend. WEIDMAN DAYS next week!

SHERMAN CITY UNION CHURCH REPORT

As the first anniversary of restoration of the Sherman City Union Church rolls around, the officers of the Church Restoration Association are presenting a combination progress report and schedule of coming events.

To date, approximately \$6,000 has been donated and spent on restoring the building. If you have driven by, or were able to attend the Memorial Day service there, you have seen first-hand what a beautiful little white church has emerged in less than a year's time.

Last August the kick-off project was tearing off the old roof and siding and replacing the roof with new cedar shingles and new siding. That was only the beginning. Since then, memorial stained-glass windows have been donated and installed, as have lovely old pews which also were donated and refinished. The entire building is painted a sparkling white on the outside, including a newly-rebuilt belfry for the lovely old church bell. Donated red carpet adorns the front and aisle inside.

Of course, we could go on and on with work that has been done to make the church what it is today. With very few exceptions, all work has been donated. It truly has become a "Miracle Church"!

It is finished enough that a wedding has been scheduled there for July. It will be the first wedding to be held in the building since 1940-or so the records indicate. It should be a picturesque setting for a lovely old-fashioned wedding.

However, much inside work is to be done. A new ceiling is a must, and this will cost an estimated \$2,500. Work cannot go ahead, or materials ordered, until more funds are received.

The ceiling is the biggest project, with the floors to be sanded and refinished, the entranceway refinished, plus the front door with new latch and lock; window stripping, and spraying the cedar-shingle roof with preservative material. The officers estimate that about \$3,000 will pretty well complete the project.

To help raise money for these projects, several fund-raisers have been planned.

A First Annual Picnic commemorating the anniversary of work begun will be held at the church Sunday, Aug. 6. Circle that date on your calendar—more details will appear in future articles.

Later on, in September, another dance will be held to help raise funds. The dance last year at the Brinton Hall proved so successful that is seemed worth while to repeat it. Sept. 30 is the date.

Now that you have been brought up to date, weekly progress reports will be appearing in the Messenger. Work sessions will be scheduled as funds are available to buy materials.

If you would like to help on this worthy project, donations may be sent to Finance Chairman Norman T. Miller, 4153 Guy Rd. Lake, Mich. 48632 (phone 644-3428), or to Ruth Gilbert, care Central Michigan Bank & Trust, Barryton, 49305.

Any questions or information may be answered and obtained by calling Norm Miller at the above telephone, or Elwood Miller, tel. 644-3602.

Respectfully submitted, Glorya A. Miller Publicity. Tel. 644-3428.

#### Local Items

Mr. and Mrs. Jay McComb of Niles spent Sunday afternoon with Mrs. Clara Smith. They are camping at Tubbs Lake.

Bud and Jinnie Fredrickson and their three children and Dana and Margo Schafer, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Leon Schafer, returned from a 12-day vacation trip through South Dakota and Colorado. They report a wonderful time.

Sadie Zorn is in a hospital in Lansing. Her address: Ingham Medical Professional Bldg., 405 W. Greenlawn, 4 North Wing, Lansing, Mich. 48910.

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#### In the Editor's Mail

Dear Connie,

I am sorry for being so late with my check.

Some friends of ours and yours stopped in for a visit, the Durwood Grangers, of Harrison.

Connie, you have a wonderful paper. Keep up the good work.

Thanks again,
Mrs. Eleanore (Hamilton) Warner
Harrison

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Dear Connie,

Another year and my paper subscription is due.

I hope you can read this. Have been having trouble with arthritis in my hands.

Our weather is hot. We were doing a bit of griping about the cold but not now.

I liked your picture of the Sherman City Church. So glad they have put it back in use.

There used to be a church on M-66, going north from Remus. My grandfather Switzer preached there 78 years ago. The building was still there not too many years back.

My father pointed it out to me one time. The house grandfather

lived in was gone, but I was born in that house, near the church.

When we moved to Weidman in 1905, grandfather preached there. In later years my youngest aunt and I used to go with Grandpa to his other churches, or even houses where he held meetings. One was in the home of Bert Cornell's grandfather, west of Weidman.

I hope by this time your fingers are well again.

Please to take care. Best wishes ever,

Dollie Bower California

Dear Connie:

My, how these days fly by, once warm weather gets here! Had I known I would be getting an apartment so soon, I wouldn't

have taken the secretary job for the Case School Reunion. But of course, last year at this time I hadn't even thought of moving.

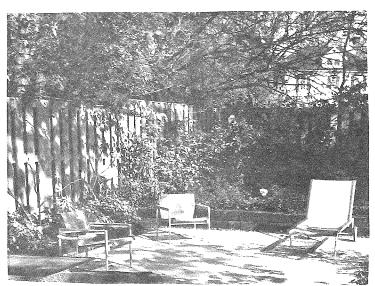
I put my name in in November and I expected it would be a year and here the landlady called me early this spring, so I had to get busy. And I knew I had a lot of stuff around here, but didn't realize so much until I started sorting. I hope to be out by the end of the month.

After June 30, my address will be: Helen B. Hudson, Apt. 122, Cleveland Manor, 2200 Cleveland Ave. Midland, Mi. 48640.

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Helen Hudson Midland

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#### Beal City

Dora Smith, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gould and family, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Zeien and family and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Hauck and family went to Deer Acres Sunday afternoon.

The Vera Neubecker family had a reunion in Gladwin at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dick Paisley,

Sunday.

Josephine Bengal is in the Medical Care Facility, after sustaining injuries in a fall.

Mr. and Mrs. John Weber entertained friends Sunday with a chicken barbecue.

Congratulations on the baptism of Corey Dale Block, son of Ken and Vickie Block.

Jack and Carlene Pung hosted the Pung reunion Sunday.

Don and Delores Krueger hosted the Yuncker reunion Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Schafer entertained their daughter, Jane, and family, recently.

Walter Faber and Lillian Malley were married Saturday afternoon in a very lovely ceremony.

Eugene Curtiss spent Monday night with Brian Gould.

Theresa Smith called on Mrs. Delores Gould Thursday.

Rob Brickner and Brenda Pohl were married Friday evening at St. Joseph's Church, with Father Don Deueke officitating.

Sr. Mary Ellen visited Louis Rau Friday afternoon.

The Beal City Class of 1968 had their 10-year class reunion Saturday evening at Lake Isabella.

Andrew Vogel is in CMC Hospital.

Tillie Schafer spent Sunday at the Jerry Schafer home in Mt. Pleasant.

Mrs. Louis Zeien and Mrs. Ed Zeien called on Mrs. Irene Smith in Beal City one day last week.

BEAL CITY CARD GAME HAS 19 TABLES AT PLAY

At their regular card party last Thursday afternoon, the Beal City Senior Citizens had 19 tables of pepper at play, with 77 people present.

Vada Block won first prize for the ladies, with Dorothy Streng second and Anna Schafer low.

For the men, Ed Faber won first prize, with Isadore Schafer second and Wilfred Martin low.

Jerome Young won the pepper prize. Clara Taylor won the door prize.

Louise Schafer won a special prize, a stainless steel paring knife donated by Claribel Beutler.

Sandwiches, pickles and coffee were served for refreshments.

The next card party at the K. C. Hall in Beal City will be July 6. Everyone is invited.

WEIDMAN DAYS! -- Meet old and new friends amid celebrations!

#### Brinton News

Frances Beck, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Strang and family and Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Fosberg attended 4-H activities at Michigan State University at East Lansing over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe La Londe left

Sunday for a visit with their daughter, Pat, and family, who live at Grandville, O.

live at Grandville, O. Eunice La Londe, Irene Bowen and I attended the 100th Birthday party for Alice Kimball at the Ardis Rest Home Friday. Congratulations to Mrs. Kimball!

Irene Bowen attended the festivities at Blanchard Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Beutler called on relatives at Jonesville Thursday.

Helen Strang was in Midland Wednesday, where her girls called at their orthodontist's.

Tony Livermore has been spending some time with relatives in Shingleton, Mich.



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I personally would like to thank you for the understanding and support you and others in this area have extended to us during these

abnormal times.

I am extremely proud of our management employees for the manner in which they are handling their job assignments. As a result, we are able to provide near-normal levels of service in the priority area of repair and operator-assisted long-distance calling, while at the same time installing some telephones.

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We are now beginning to install some key systems and PBXs for business and industry. Our efforts in this kind of work will improve in the next few weeks.

We all hope to have the strike settled and return to normal operations in the near future.

BILL BUSCHLE Alma Division Manager

Weidman Days--Next Week!

#### Local Items

Bill Neubecker of Rome, Italy, and his mother, Mrs. Vera Neubecker, were last Monday evening visitors of Mrs. Elizabeth Neubecker.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Embrey spent Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Jim Harris of Howard City. They all went to Grand Rapids.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Snyder of St. Louis spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Wil-

Mrs. Lawrence Young and Mrs. Tina Allen of Houghton Lake Heights called on their aunt, Mrs. Nina Forbes, last Tuesday after-

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Embrey were among the many attending the 60th wedding anniversary of Mack and Margie Denslow, at

Mrs. Mitchell McArthur returned home last Thursday after a week's stay in CMC Hospita!.

David Flower entered CMC Hospital Friday for tests.

Mrs. David Wood (Mona) and sons of St. Johns spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Pitts. Jonathan Wood spent last week with his

grandparents.
Norma McCary and daughter and her daughter of Boyne City were Sunday callers of Mrs. Clara

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Mahon and Melissa and Ronnie and their niece, Lisa, were supper guests of the Paul Coles Sunday evening. Helen gave Velma a permanent

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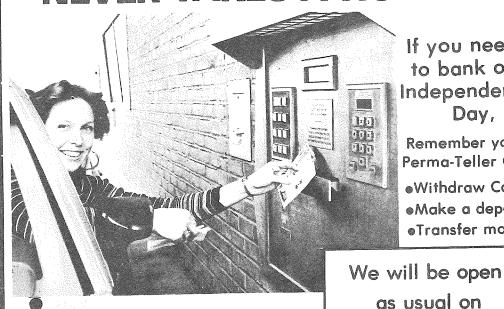
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Llvah Gott, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Smith of Au Gres attended the wedding of her niece, Brenda Pohl, over the weekend, and called on relatives here. They returned home Monday.

Donny Alwood and Tom Brichta spent the weekend in Ohio, play-ing American Legion baseball with the Mt. Pleasant team.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Abbott called on Mr. and Mrs. Dale Maeder and family one day last week. Eileen Abbott visited her doctor in Midland Monday morning.

Wanda Graham and I called on Connie Bushre one evening last week. Connie took me to Mt. Pleasant Thursday on business, and we met Wanda at the Clock Restaurant for dinner, after work.

Albert Gott took me for a ride Sunday afternoon, and we had

ice cream at Lake.

Mrs. Helen Alwood and Cathy and Mr. and Mrs. Ward Belden at tended the 50th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Emmons in Barryton Sunday afternoon. On the way home Helen called at the Mack Denslow home to wish Mack and Margie well on their 60th wedding anniversary. Everyone enjoyed the Open House party in the beautiful big yard at the Denslows'.

Mrs. Frances Lone and daughter called on me and also on Mrs. Claribel Beutler Saturday evening. Violet Carr visited me three days last week, and will spend a few days with her sister and brother-in-law at Barryton, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Brown.

Mr. and Mrs. Micky Abbott and son had dinner out Sunday.

Mrs. Helen Alwood and Cathy called at the Dan Kripa home in Mt. Pleasant. They also visited Barbara Dennis and family.

#### Around Horr

Jessie Rosencrantz, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Miller attended the Bowen family reunion at Gladwin Sunday. They called on Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Bellows also.

Mr. and Mrs. Miles Miller called on the Elwood Millers Friday

evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Garth Lawrence and Pam were Sunday dinner guests of his mother, Mrs. Nettie Lawrence.

Bob Thompson spent the weekend at home, from his work in Clarkston. Bill spent the weekend at home, from his work in

Randy Thompson of Drayton Plains spent from Tuesday till Thursday at the Thompson  $_{
m home.}$ 

Jim and Betty Thompson attended the 60th wedding anni-

versary Open House at the Mack Denslows' Sunday.

Donna Tiani spent last week with her grandparents, the Sterling Oplingers. Doris and three boys came Saturday. Donna and the two boys returned home Sunday. Doris and the other boy are spending this week with her folks.

Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Plank called on me Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Fahnes-tock attended Open House at the Mack Denslows' Sunday.

Robert and Lola Fahnestock of Plymouth are spending this week with his folks, the Charles Fahn-

Mr. and Mrs. Eric Bingham and children and D.J. Whitman spent the weekend at the Pete Wood home. Pete and Phyllis attended the Open House at the Mack Denslow home Sunday.

Gerald, Marilyn and Gary Losey, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Chapman and Chad and Jason, and Robbie Gross and Bill Dunn and Nancy Losey and I had supper a week ago Monday with Hattie Losey, at her home.

Hattie Losey attended a party at Susie Chapman's last Tuesday

Mr. and Mrs. Theron Merrihew were last Tuesday afternoon callers of Hattie Losey. Hattie had dinner with me Wednesday. Ervin and Goldie Dutcher and Hattie Losey went to Grand Rapids Thursday to visit Floyd Dutcher.

Harold Losey was here Thursday and cultivated corn all day. Hattie, Gerald, Gary and Patti Losey picked strawberries at the Ervin Dutchers' Saturday.

Theron and Ardis Merrihew took Hattie Losey to the Mack and Margie Denslows' Open House Sunday. Harold and Lois Losey also attended, and took Hattie home.

#### West Gilmore

Lena Cole, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Pfannes helped their brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Bess Pfannes, in the strawberries last Wednesday.

Mrs. Coranna Shaner and son, Leslie, and grandson called on her aunt and uncle, the Paul Coles, Saturday.

The Paul Coles delivered some strawberries to the Dan Kripas Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clare Letson and Pauline called on Lena and Velma Cole Thursday. Clare is taking daily treatments from his doctor in Farwell. Mrs. Letson has also been on the sick list.

Mrs. Beulah Wixson was discharged from CMC Hospital last Thursday. She went to the home of her daughter, Bonnie, near

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Pfannes visited his brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Sebastian Pfannes, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Tony Masiwchuk returned home from Detroit Monday. They had spent several days

Mrs. Helen Allbee spent the week with her daughter and family in Flint. She returned home over the weekend.

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MORE THAN 200 FRIENDS, NEIGHBORS AND RELATIVES ATTEND DENSLOW OPEN HOUSE

Over 200 relatives, neighbors and friends, old and new, gathered at Mack and Margie Denslow's lovely home on the Chippewa River at Horr Sunday afternoon to congratulate them on their 60th wedding anniversary—a rare occasion indeed.

While local friends and neighbors swarmed around to congratulate them, many of their old friends from Grand Rapids also drove up to attend the momentous occasion.

Some of the Denslows' Grand Rapids friends had not been up here, or the Denslows down there, in 40 years.

Their children, Joyce Chaffee and Bob Denslow, did all the work of preparing for the event, and it was a real event.

A full-course dinner was served, either indoors or out, all afternoon, and was greatly enjoyed. All food was prepared by Joyce and Bob's wife (and Bob helping?) and was delicious in every sense.

Also appreciated by all the guests was the gracious hospitality of all the Denslow family; and the honored couple, Mack and Margie.

Though it poured down rain during the afternoon and dinner-fixings had to be rushed inside, the spacious old stone house was adequate, and the afternoon was a milestone for everyone.

Congratulations, Mack and Margie! You and your kids are wonderful hosts, and gracious recipients of all our best wishes.

HOW TO KEEP VEGETABLE-EATING ANIMALS OUT OF YOUR HOME GARDEN

Dick Tilmann of Lake Windoga was in the Messenger office Saturday morning, telling us how to keep marauding vegetable-eating wild animals out of your home garden.

Dick said that deer have eaten everything in his garden for the past three years. They eat beans, peas, cucumbers, okra--everything except potato and tomato

They love the beans, peas, cucumbers, okra, beets, any lettuce or any greens; corn-everything but the potato and tomato plants, Dick said.

This year he got a brainstorm, and put a transistor radio out there on top of his storage building, with a box built to protect it from weather, but open at the end toward the garden.

It's tuned in to Station CMU FM, which runs all night long, steadily, on talking programs.

The radio is not tuned up high, but just so it can be heard in the garden.

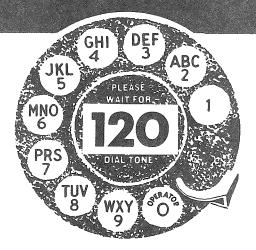
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