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#### Editor's Column

By Connie SOME THOUGHTS ON THE SCHOOL MILLAGE ELECTION

Shortly after the overwhelming defeat of the 15-mill request by the Chippewa Hills School Board, and administration, the Mt. Pleasant Time-News gave its top front-page space to James Jorgensen's analysis and opinions on the election results.

"A taxpayers' revolt," was the sum and substance of Jorgensen's

featured piece.

Last week the Mt. Pleasant Times-News ran an editorial to the same effect, that it was indeed a "taxpayers' revolt" against shelling out any money for education of area children.

The Messenger takes exception to this.

There were many factors affecting the voting public on that 15-mill request.

Foremost, in our opinion, was lack of confidence in the school board and administration's management of money.

The district voted roughly two and a half million dollars to the board and administration to build a new high school for the district.

What kind of management is it that can spend two and a half million dollars and have not one cent left over to cover costs of moving into the super-duper new

high school?

Also, it comes out in the wash, the board and administrátion had over \$200,000 in cash gathered up from the smaller districts at the time they voted to become a big-big district. That cash is now all used up, according to school figures.

Why then should taxpayers vote 15 mills to such an administration to spend as these amounts of money apparently have been

spent?

Mr. Jorgensen and the Times-News placed "the taxpayer" as a nameless, faceless Thing which can work and earn money to pay into school taxes, but failed to give the Thing human reasoning powers.

Both Mr. Jorgensen and the Times-News ignored the negative vote in Barryton and Mecosta, neither village having under-(Continued on Back Page)



THE DARNELL SCHOOL, ABOUT 1913: This was the last day of school, and there were many visitors. Everybody was all dressed up for the occasion, as one can see. "I may have identified some wrong, but it is fairly correct," Blanche Carr, who loaned us the photo, says.

Back Row: Harris Fleming, Ruth Cowles, Harry Wood, Ida Cross, Gladys Patterson, Pearl Gray, Birdie Patterson, Eva Merrit, Clara Hess, John Patterson, Sybil

Wheeler (teacher). Front Row: Pearl Nelson, Hattie Nelson, Avery Lee, Helen Goodburn, Gladys Kent, Blanche Kent, Beatrice Goodburn, Lela Cross, Junior Wood.

Middle Row: Mildred Loomis, Lou Gray, Charles Phillips, Neva Harper, Maggie Chard, Èva Lowery, Hazel Lee, Bessie Lee, Ozema Allen, Lyle Hess, Harry Patterson.

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WEIDMAN STORES AND BUSINESSES CLOSED GOOD FRIDAY AFTERNOON

Weidman stores and business places will close as usual Good Friday afternoon, from 1 to 3 p.

Their regular Friday afternoon and evening hours will be observed after 3 o'clock.

The bank will close at 1 and open at 5, and conduct its usual Friday evening business. ---0---

Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Kniffen and children of Lansing spent the w eekend with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Goodrich. Gale Kniffen, a great-grandson, is spending the week here.

COLDWATER TOWNSHIP ZONING BOARD NAMED

At a meeting of the Coldwater Township Board last week the Board appointed a Coldwater Township Zoning Board. Each will receive \$15 per day for work performed.

Named to the Township Zoning Board were Marilyn Fosburg, Caroline Gillman, Norman Geasler, and Bernard Navarre.

The Zoning Board hopes to have all its organizational wotk done by June, it was stated this week.

The Coldwater Township Zoning Board will meet immediately and appoint a chairman, who will appoint one member of the Zoning Board to the Zoning Board of Appeals; the Township Board will appoint one member to the Board of Appeals, and then these two will apoint a third member-at-large to complete the Coldwater Township Zoning Board of Appeals.

Members of the Coldwater Township Zoning Board, and also members of the Coldwater Township Board met in Mt. Pleasant Monday evening to study zoning ordinances from Glendale Township, Midland County; Maple Valley Township, Montcalm County; and the city ordinances and county ordinances of Mt.

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#### Men in Uniform

Navy Petty Officer Second Class Jack R. Jarman, husband of Mrs. Faye E. Jarman of Gilmore, has completed his annual active duty Naval Reserve Training on board the attack aircraft carrier USS Independence, off the Virginia coast.

Naval Reservists are trained for two weeks each year to retain proficiency in their respective ranks, and keep abreast of new trends in Navy life.

Here's a new address: Pvt. Danny J. Wilmot, Class 188, Co. C Bn., USAMTC, Fort Sam Houston, Texas 78234.

Danny is receiving training in neuro-psychiatric work, which should stand him in good stead when he completes his Army tour of duty. The training takes up 22 weeks.

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Sp/4 Walter W. Davis, son of Mrs. Ella Garner, is stationed near Nha Trang, Vietnam, and he spent a few days recently with PFC Gary D. Recker at Cam Ranh Bay.

The boys enjoyed getting together for talks, and even took time out to drop a line to their folks at home.

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SCHOOL BOARD RESPONDS TYPICALLY TO MILLAGE TURNDOWN BY VOTERS

The Board of Education and the administration of the Chippewa Hills Schools are responding in typical fashion to the crushing defeat of their request for 15 mills on school taxation for the coming year.

They have canceled all contracts of non-teaching personnel and advised all teachers that contracts will not be offered for

the coming year.

They are telling parents that the multi-million-dollar high school building will remain emp-ty as the Board has no money to

move into it.

Latest item is a "news release" from Mike Behnke, Director of Community Education for the Chippewa Hills District, advising parents of next autumn's kindergarten children that there will be no "roundup" of kindergarten children which includes immunizations, and vision and hearing tests, among other things.

The Board is really bearing down on parents of school children with these threats, with another millage election sched-

uled for June.

(And who is Mike Benke, and why is he the sole "news" writer and propaganda dispenser for the Chippewa Hills School Board?) (Signed) Constance Roe Skinner ---0---

Around Horr Jessie Rosencrantz, Reporter

Mrs. Lena Martin and Brenda and Dave Leiter were Wednesday supper guests at the Joe Martin home. Sunday guests were Mrs. Alma Byron, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Byron and daughter and Dorothy and Dave Carroll. Woodrow Martin spent a few days with his sister and family, Mrs. Cora Shippee, in Mt. Pleasant.

Mr. and Mrs. Chuck Roberts and children and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Dent and baby were weekend guests of their parents, the Gerald Dents. Mr. and Mrs. Dent were dinner guests Sunday at the Lynn Johnson home, helping Steven celebrate his sixth birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Chapman were Sunday evening callers at the Charles Losey home. Mr. and Mrs. Howard Jackson were Sunday callers of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Losey and family. Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Cook and family were Monday evening callers.

Mrs. Janet Potter and Karen, Mrs. Irene Bergquist and Kristen, and Sue, Peter and Gloria Wood were Tuesday dinner guests of Mrs. Flora Wood. Mrs. Eva Denslow was a Friday afternoon caller. Mr. and Mrs. Paul Miller were Sunday afternoon callers. Mrs. Wood and the Millers attended the funeral of Mrs. Blanche Roberts at the Daggett Funeral Home Sunday.

Mrs. Margaret Denslow was a

Sunday dinner guest of Mrs. Marie Evans at Mt. Pleasant.

Mrs. Garth Lawrence and Pam were Friday dinner guests of Mrs. Nettie Lawrence.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Wieferich of Mt. Pleasant were Saturday evening guests of the Earl Oplingers. The Oplinger family were Sunday dinner guests of the Sterling Oplingers.

Mr. and Mrs. Theron Merrihew and Mr. and Mrs. Chuck Tiedeman and daughters were Saturday evening callers at the Char-

lie Losey home.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Thompson attended the McDonald dinner in Flint Tuesday, and called on the George Pobocik family near Grand Blanc.

Mrs. Thompson attended a style show at Remus Tuesday evening. She and Bill and Bob attended a high school band concert at Remus Friday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Thompson and Bill and Bob visited her mother near Lansing Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Thompson attended the party for Mr. and Mrs. Keith Thompson at the Remus Town Hall Saturday evening.

Frank Benn spent several days with his son, Bob, and wife in Pennsylvania, and with relatives in Pontiac. He was expected home Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Del Johnson spent from Thursday through Saturday at the home of their son and family, the Benn Johnsons, on their way home from Florida.

Mrs. Eva Denslow was a Sunday dinner guest of Mrs. Dimple De Long at Barryton.

Mrs. Betty Thompson and Bill and Bob attended a UMYF Methodist Youth Rally at Alma Sunday afternoon. Music was furnished by a guitar group which included Bob and Bill Thompson, Brenda Wager, Kathy Hyder, and Sheila May and Tim Work-

#### North Weidman Elvah Gott, Reporter

Debbie Graham and girl friend Lee Marie Chipman of Mecosta stayed with Debbie's grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. John Gott, from Friday after school till Sunday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Micky Abbott and boys spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Wiley Knollenberg and family of Mt. Plea-

Mrs. Helen Letson and daughter called on Mr. and Mrs. Ed Olger Sunday, and took Mrs. Zena Olger to attend a baby shower for Joyce Connors at the Dewey Olger home.

Albert Gott had Sunday dinner with his parents, as his wife, Leona, had to work. Richard Gott of Farwell and sister, Ruth Riegle, called on their grandparents Sunday afternoon.

Helen Alwood and Elvah Gott took Ward Dell to CMC Hospital

Thursday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Abbott returned home Saturday from Arcadia, Florida, where they spent about six weeks of beautiful weather while we were snowed in.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy S. Adams returned last week after spending the winter in Bradenton, Florida.

Local Items

Mr. and Mrs. F.B. Stevens of Sanford visited Mrs. Ina Gillett Wednesday evening. Mrs. E. R. Rhode was a Thursday caller. Mrs. June Plank was a Sunday evening visitor.
Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Brand

were Thursday afternoon callers

of Helen Smith.

Ula Cummins was home from

Mt. Pleasant for the weekend. Zella Main and Gertrude Munn of Blanchard were Sunday afternoon callers of Helen Smith.

Mrs. Mary Fordyce of rural Rosebush called on her sister, Mrs. Clyde Beutler, last Tues-Mrs. John Gott and day. Mrs. Carol Abbott were Thursday afternoon callers.

Mrs. Lela Whearett and Don Clark attended the funeral of their cousin, Blanche Roberts.

Mrs. Hermione Smith had Sunday dinner with the Don Smith family.

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Apr 1t5

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April 8 t1

FOR SALE--Portable television, used four months. Guarantee is good. \$45.00. Call 644-2 2233.

April 8t1p

CAME TO MY HOME--Reddishbrown dog, medium long hair, male. Seems to be someone's house dog. Owner may claim dog at home of Wanda Graham, and pay 50 cents for this ad. April 8t1

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April 8t1

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## Card of Thanks

I want to thank everyone for the cards, visits, prayers, flowers, and gifts, during my stay in CMC Hospital.

These really count.

I'm home now and will enjoy

having visitors. God bless you all.

Harold Straus

# Card of Thanks

I wish to thank my many friends, neighbors and relatives for the beautiful cards, letters and gifts I received from them on my 80th birthday.

I shall always remember and cherish this act of kindness shown me.

Mrs. Ethel McLean

#### **NEWS NOTES**

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Horstman moved back to Detroit Saturday, after spending three years west of Weidman. Their sons, Jerry of Weidman and Dick of DeWitt, helped them make the move.

## Ibituary

BLANCHE ROBERTS Mrs. Blanche Roberts died last Thursday, April 1, in Pleasant Manor Nursing Home in Mt. Pleasant. She was 73.

She was born Oct. 23, 1897, on a farm north and west of Brinton, where she spent her life until her marriage to Edgar Rob– erts, after which she lived on the Roberts place at the corner of Brinton and Coleman Roads.

She is survived by two sons, Gerald of Lake, and Wendell of Pontiac; five grandchildren and numerous great-grandchildren; two brothers, Glenn Reynolds and Howard Reynolds of Pontiac; two sisters, Mrs. Ethol Wright of Pontiac and Mrs. Mildred Edgar of Lakeview; and numerous other relatives.

Funeral services were held Sunday, April 4, from the Daggett Funeral Home in Barryton, with Rev. Isaac Sayers of the Barryton Methodist Church officiating. Burial was in the North Brinton Cemetery.

Mrs. Roberts had many friends who will miss her greatly.

## Obituary

MARIE CLARE Marie Clare died March 31 in Bay City General Hospital. She was 66. She was born Jan. 17, 1905.

Funeral services were held Saturday, March 31, at Sacred Heart Church in Mt. Pleasant, with burial in Calvary Ceme-

Surviving are three daughters, Mrs. Harold (Edwardine) Knight of Bay City, Mrs. James (Betty) Holmes of Detroit, and Mrs. Jerry (Kitty) Yuncker; two sons, Joseph (Bud) and Edward R.; one sister, Mrs. Roy F. (Beatrice) Adams of Mt. Pleasant; three brothers, William Whitney of Mt. Pleasant, Edwin of Shepherd, and Leonard of Auburn; and 29 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

The family has the sympathy of its many friends.

---0---NEWS NOTES

Mrs. Wanda Graham and daughter, Becky, were among those attending State Recognition Days at Flint Saturday, for TOPS Clubs throughout the state.

The Remus Methodist Church had an Easter program, with lunch at 12.30 and a program lasting till 2.30. Attending from here were five ladies of the Weidman United Methodist Church: Marion Beutler, Clara Smith, Winnie Johnston, and Vada Louisell and Ethel Bywater.

#### Brinton News

Frances Beck, Reporter A group of ladies attended a shower for Joyce Connors and little son at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Olger, Sunday afternoon. She received many useful and lovely gifts.

There will be an Easter program Sunday evening at the Brinton Church. Everyone is invited to attend.

Carl Geasler is a patient at St. Mary's Hospital in Saginaw. Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Geasler and Joyce and Ellen Geasler called on him Friday. Mr. and Mrs. Ferris Graham of Clare called on him Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Klock of Evart, and their family, called on Mr. and Mrs. Russell Wright Sunday, enroute to Belding to visit their mother, Lillie Donald, who is seriously ill in the Belding Hospital. We hope to hear she is better soon.

Sunday guests of Edna Teeter were Mr. and Mrs. Harley Teeter and family of Clare. The Place children were weekend guests of their grandmother, while their parents, Helen and Earl, attended a bowling tournament near Detroit.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Scott and family of Suttons Bay spent the weekend with Flossie and Don

Sympathy goes to the family of Blanche Roberts, who passed away Thursday evening at the Pleasant Manor Rest Home in Mt. Pleasant, after a long illness. Blanche was a lifelong resident of our community.

Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Godwin are the proud parents of a son, Andrew James, born March 31 at the Clare Hospital.

#### Local Items

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Wilson and Mrs. Margaret Hathaway were Wednesday evening callers of Mrs. Nina Forbes.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Creed and family of Algonac spent the weekend with Mrs. Leah Scharer. Mr. and Mrs. Ted Smith and Jim were Sunday dinner guests.

Mrs. Ted Smith returned home from CMC Hospital last Wednesday, after spending five days

there .

Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Sprague and daughters and Mr. and Mrs. R.D. Spague called on Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Dent at Farwell last Thursday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Vince Miller and family of Remus were Saturday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Thayne Sides and family.

Mrs. Tom Flower and son, Davy, of Toledo, came Sun-day night to spend a week with relatives here. Her mother, Mrs. Marie Rahl, spent the weekend with the Flowers in Toledo, and brought Mary and the little boy home.

BETTER THAN A LETTER

TOPS CLUB MEMBERS ATTEND STATE MEETING

Eleven members of the Weidman Hep TOPS Club attended the annual State Recognition Day meeting at Flint Friday and Saturday.

Diane Schumacher placed second in the state-wide Stork Queen contest, in Division Two. Our congratulations, Diane!

She was unable to attend the state meeting, but received her trophy at a meeting of officers of area clubs at the Moose Club in Mt. Pleasant Monday evening.

At Friday evening's program in Flint, a Gay Nineties Carnival was the theme, and all ladies wore old-fashioned dresses which they had made for the occasion. They also wore them to the TOPS Club meeting in Weidman Tuesday evening so other members could see them.

Area members are planning to attend the 1972 state meeting at Lansing next year. ---0---

#### Two\_Rivers Blanche Carr, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Flaugher attended the Confirmation of their granddaughter, Debbie Flaugher, at the Broomfield Lutheran Church, and the party following at the Ronald Flaugher home, Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Lueder were Thursday afternoon visitors of Mrs. Nettie Crowley and Jay Leinaar. Roderick Nicholson called Saturday, and Mr. and Mrs. Herman Lueder were Sunday guests.

Mrs. Edwin Courser gave a party Saturday to honor her daughter, Katie, on her 10th birthday.

Mrs. Celia Allen of Blanchard was a Sunday guest of the Edwin Coursers.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Roberts and Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Neal of Toledo, O., were week-end guests of Mrs. Leona Courser, and attended the 25th wedding anniversary party at Remus for Mr. and Mrs. Keith Thompson. The Coursers and many others from here attended.

Mrs. Leona Courser entertained the Coomer Aid Wednesday, with 15 ladies present. They tied four quilts, to be sold by the Aid.

Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Plank and Terry, Harrison and Douglas were Saturday overnight and Sunday guests of Blanche Carr. They attended the party for the Keith Thompsons, and called on Mrs. Choice Foster, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Krueger and children were Sunday guests of the Lynn Johnsons, to celebrate Steve Johnson's birthday.

Mrs. Theresa Bunting, Mrs. Gertrude Gross and Mrs. Clara Fox spent Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. Nora Gruss. Mr. and Mrs. Ed Ege were Sunday afternoon visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Oral legislature.

Bunting.

Mrs. Loraine Schultz of Lansing was a Saturday guest of her mother, Mrs. E.R. Rhode, and Harold.

Mrs. Ethel Wager has returned home from the home of her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Clinton Wager, of Vanderbilt, where she spent the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Lieder came home Friday from Florida, where they have been vacationing the past month. Mr. and Mrs. Walter Nelson of Clifford Lake called Sunday.

Mrs. Ruby Schupbach and daughter, Janet, of Mt. Pleasant visited her mother, Mrs. Herman Martin, and Ray, Sunday. They called on the Philip Meades in the afternoon. Mrs. Martin spent a few days last week in Saginaw, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Passerillo, and the Ed Martin home, and at Bridgeport with the Leo Bierschbachs.

Roxanne and Shelly Hines were Sunday supper guests of their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hines. ---0---

JOHN ENGLER CO-SPONSORS BILL TO ELIMINATE FREE SCHOOL SUPPLIES

Elimination of the requirement for local school districts to supply textbooks, paper, pencils and other supplies to all pupils is the theme of a proposed constitutional amendment co-sponsored by State Representative John M. Engler (R-Mt. Pleasant).

"The present system is the result of a Michigan Supreme Court decision last July that, quite frankly, caught almost everyone off guard, including all members of this Legislature.

"Their ruling was that the constitutional language stating that the Legislature would 'maintain a and support s system of free public elementary and secondary schools' meant that all local school districts were required to furnish each pupil with free textbooks and other educational supplies.

"The result of this new approach is that supplies which are provided free of charge and frequently without limit to the pupil are often wasted," Representative Engler said. "For this reason and others, I have decided to co-sponsor an amendment to our (state) consitution in order to give each local school district a choice in regard to this policy.

"Since this court decision, school districts have had to absorb this expense, which must ultimately be borne by the property taxpayers, since no additional state aid has been provided for this purpose."

Rep. Engler said he is hopeful that the proposal introduced by Rep. Powell (R-Ionia) will receive favorable action in the

"I am pleased that members of both parties, including several on the House Education Committee, have joined together in sponsoring this bill. I feel that local control of schools is desirable, and I am hopeful that the taxpayers will be given a chance. to vote their feelings on this issue at the next general election," John concluded.

A constitutional amendment first must pass the House and Senate by a two-thirds vote. It then must be voted on by the people of the State of Michigan, where a simple majority is needed for inclusion in the constitution.

(Editor's Note: Go to it, Johnny!) ---0---

NEWS NOTES

Mrs. James Steinman (Kathy Straus) and baby daughter are spending the week here with her father, Harold Straus, and mother, Dorothea Straus. Harold is confined to the house for a spell after discharge from the hospital. Kathy's husband is taking a five-weeks' course in telephone work in Chicago.





## BOWLING

CONTINENTAL LEAGUE March 31

March 31	
Beal City Service	25
Schlitz Beer	25
Household Appl.	23
Weidman Bank	22.5
Pabst Blue Ribbon	22
Giant Super Mkt.	21
Central Concrete	20
Wentworth IGA	20
Lowery Northern	19.5
Marchiando & Rau	19
Snalley Builders	18
Beal City Tavern	17
High Toam Corions	Llougo hol

High Team Series: Household Appliance 3024. High Team Game: House Appliance 1102.

High Indv. Series: Howard Kolarik 568, Cub Rohen 564, Bob Recker 563.

High Indv. Game: Tom Bierschbach 219, Bob Recker 215, Russ Maeder 209.

GUYS & DOLLS

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Lawens-Pantenburg	36	8
Blehm-Hyde	29	15
Thon-Blake	27	17
Ecker-Eldred	26	18
Moore-Long	25	19
Bierschbach-Huber	24	20
Moore-Moravy	20	24
Nolte-Kolarik	20	24
McConnell-Myers	18	26
Bleise-Straus	18	26
Stewart-Bleise	14	30
Pung-Keesler	9	35
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High Team Series: Bleise & Straus 2382. High Team Game: Bleise & Straus 831.

High Series, men: Bob Bleise 580, Jerry Thon 563, Buck Notte 521.

High Game, men: Bob Bleise 221, Bill Stewart 208, Jerry Thon 206.

High Sèries, women: Mary Hyde 540, Jan Adams (sub) 477, Barb Moore 465.

High Game, women: Jan Adams 203, Mary Hyde 193, Sue Ecker 176.

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Beal City
Dora Smith, Reporter
BILL AND AYNNE BARZ
WILL BE OFF TO NASSAU

Bill Barz, Farm Bureau Insurance Group representative in Beal City, has earned his firm's top sales designation of "All American," and will be awarded an all-expense-paid trip to Nassau. Bill and his wife will be leaving in mid-April.

With accommodations at the Nassau Beach Hotel the "All Americans" will tour Nassau, the the Bahamas, for five days, visiting Nassau town, Fort Charlotte, and Paradise Island. Native foods, glass-bottom boats, swimming and relaxation will be the fare for the Farm Bureau Insurance Group "All Americans.

Bill gained a berth on the "All American" team by combining high production in total new premium for 1970 and excellent policy-holder service. A Farm Bureau Insurance Group represen-

tative for six years, Bill his wife, Aynne, and six of their children live in Beal City. Three of their 10 children are married, and two are students at Ferris State College.

Farm Bureau Insurance Group, a multiple-line headquartered in Lansing, operates throughout Michigan in 52 offices staffed by 350 agents. Policy-holders number about 250,000.

BEAL CITY SENIOR CITIZENS HAVE 18 1/2 TABLES IN PLAY

At the regular Senior Citizens' card party in Beal City last Thursday afternoon, there were 18 1/2 tables of pepper in play.

Cecilia Simmer won first for the ladies, with Agnes Sheahan second.

Ed Faber won first for the men, with Joe Stevens winning second.

Monica Grinzinger won the pepper prize, and Ruth Gallagher the door prize.

The next party will be Thursday afternoon, April 15.

A lady's coat was taken by mistake, and a navy - blue coat left. Mrs. Isadore Schafer has the coat that was left at the hall, and she would appreciate it if the owner of the coat would call and pick it up.

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Roselene Schafer was having x-rays taken last Friday, and was still in CMC Hospital. She was feeling some better at times.

Mrs. Raymond Tilmann and Debbie Rau spent Wednesday evening with Louise Smith. Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Smith of Mt. Pleasant were Sunday afternoon guests.

Mr. and Mrs. La Verne Yuncker and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Fedewa spent Sunday in Detroit.

Will Pung called on Mr. and Mrs. Joe Keiffer Sunday.

Delores Rau and Anna Smith spent Sunday in Lansing, shopping.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Coughlin and Will Faber returned home from Florida Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Pung of Hemlock spent the weekend with their folks here.

Miss Janice Pung had surgery for appendicitis Saturday, April 3, at CMC Hospital. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Pung.

Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Schroeck and boys spent last week with Mr. Schroeck.

Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Balint of Big Rapids attended a birthday party for their daughter, Carrie Sue, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Aloysius Schumacher, the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Courter of Alma visited Mr. and Mrs. Bob Pung Sunday.

Sister Marie Alexander of Grand Rapids spent the weekend with relatives here.

Mrs. Ruth Klumpp and Donna

and Cindy spent Sunday with Mrs. Tony Schafer.

The banns of matrimony were announced between William Edward Wilson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wilson of Mt. Pleasant, and Diane Kay Pohl, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Pohl of Beal City.

Shelley Schafer, daughter of Gerald and Bethel Schafer, returned home Friday, after surgery and eight days in the Midland hospital. She had hip surgery, and will be in a cast for a long period of time. Her mother and Ruth Klumpp spent all day Tuesday at the hospital, when she had her operation.

Mrs. Vera Kavanaugh spent the weekend in Saginaw with Mr. and Mrs. Terry Kavanaugh, who are the proud parents of a baby girl.

Mrs. Vera Kavanaugh received a phone call from Detroit, informing relatives here that Mrs. Trix (Kavanaugh) Gillies had fallen and broken her hip. Trix was formerly from this area.

Cheryl Klumpp of Mt. Pleasant and Mike McCleery of Alma visited Mrs. Tony Schafer Wednesday evening.

BEAL CITY BAIRNS HOLD DRESS REVUE

The 4-H members of Beal City Bairns met March 16 and discussed their fourth annual Dress Revue.

The event was held Sunday, April 4, at 7.30, with a charge of 25 cents admission for the 4-H treasury.

Terri Jones, Reporter.

NEWS NOTES

Harold Straus returned home from CMC Hospital Sunday, after a 15-day stay for treatment of a heart attack. He was reported doing very well at home this week.





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#### Walker Creek News

Esther Stanley, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Schrock went to Flat Rock March 18. They were overnight guests of Mr. and Mrs. Veryl Wrights and sons. Next morning Veryl took them to the airport at Detroit, where they boarded a 747 big jet plane for Miami, Florida. They visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Smith of Riverdale, who were at Zephyrhills; his brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Otto Schrock of Littlefield Lake-New Port Richie. The Schrocks had rented a car at Tampa, and they toured the state, including the Everglades and other places of interest.

While in Florida they enjoyed catching some nice bass and also amberjacks. They returned to Detroit March 29, and Veryl met them at the airport, and they got home about 10 p.m.

Mr. and Mrs. Schrock visited their son, Rodney, and family at Farwell Saturday evening, and were supper guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Skalitzky and Mr. and Mrs. Ward Loomis, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Showers and Wm. Meier attended a birthday supper for Mrs. Kate Darnell at Barryton Thursday evening, April 1. She is in good health at 85, and enjoyed the birthday party and cake very much. Happy Birthday, Kate!

A Silver Anniversary party honoring Mr. and Mrs. Keith Thompson was held at the Remus Town Hall Saturday evening. Guests attending from a distance were Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Tait of London, Ont., Mr. and Mrs. Henry Recker of Inwood, Ont., Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Roberts and Clayton Neal of Toledo, O.

Mr. and Mrs. Tait spent Saturday over night with them, and also Mr. and Mrs. Craig Thompson of Roger Heights, Big Rapids, spent Sunday with them.

Among those attending from our community were Mr. and Mrs. Barry Conley, Mr. and Mrs. Keith Loomis, Mr. and Mrs. Lou Gray, and Mr. and Mrs. Dale Denslow. Others attended from here, Mt. Pleasant, Two Rivers, and surrounding areas.

Mrs. Steven Voss took her husband's mother, Mrs. Charles Voss, to her dentist, Thursday. Mr. and Mrs. Gary Gatehouse and Diane and Dean of south Weidman were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Wilcox.

Alan Wilcox spent Sunday over night with his cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Gary Gatehouse.

Mr. and Mrs. James Wilcox visited his parents Monday. Mr. and Mrs. Roland Zill of St. Charles were Sunday dinner guests of their son and wife,

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Zill, and

Mrs. Juanita Struble was a weekend guest of her daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Denslow.

Mr. and Mrs. Steven Voss visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Warren Leiter, Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Al Barker of Greenville were Sunday afternoon visitors at the Leiter home.

Mr. and Mrs. Gregory Leiter were recent visitors of his folks.

We were sorry to hear that their infant daughter, Melissa, was taken to the Mt. Pleasant hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Lou Gray were in Mt. Pleasant Saturday, and visited Mr. and Mrs. Duane Gray and family while there.

Mr. and Mrs. Max Gray, Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Gray and Suzette and David of Midland were Sunday visitors of the Grays.

Mrs. Gray and Mrs. Lena St. John and Mrs. Otto Skalitzky put on a dinner for the family of Blanche Roberts at the Coldwater Township Community Hall. Everyone extends sympathy to the family in its loss.

Mr. and Mrs. Ronald De Vries and Richard, Rhonda and Paul of Big Rapids visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Denslow, Wednesday evening. Scott and Michael Finney of the Coldwater oil fields spent Saturday overnight and Sunday with their grandparents, while their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Willis Finney, attended a bowling tournament at Warren.

Mrs. Ethel McLean of Remus was a Monday overnight guest of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Emmons and Eddie John.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Schrock visited their son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Schrock, during the week. They also visited Sunday evening.
Philip Schrock spent Monday

with his grandparents.

Donald Stanley took his mother, Mrs. Russell Stanley, to CMC Hospital Monday to see his father. Mr. and Mrs. Andy Stanley of Barryton took their mother over on Tuesday.

Donald Stanley and sons, Michael and Martin, came out Monday afternoon and cut wood for their parents' heating system.

Mrs. Stanley and Mrs. Ollie Denslow and nine other members of the Weidman TOPS Club attended State Recognition Day at the IMA Auditorium in Flint. We left Mt. Pleasant Friday morning and returned home Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. David Moore and family of Lake Thirteen spent the weekend with his grandfather, returning home Sunday morning. Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Pung and Sandra of St. Johns were Saturday overnight and Sunday guests. Sandra went home with

her cousin, David, and family, to spend a week, as the St. Johns school she attends is having Easter vacation this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Bud Shepherd and Mrs. Doris Mitchell of Clare were Sunday afternoon and luncheon guests at the Stanley home. Mr. and Mrs. Donald Pung and family of Beal City were evening visitors.

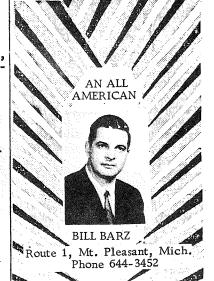
Russell Stanley was still in CMC Hospital this week. He was improving in health but has to be on a special diet. We hope for warmer weather and better news.

#### ---0---NEWS NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. R.D. Sprague called on Mr. and Mrs. Dick McCann at Midland Sunday. Mrs. Sprague called on Beth Jackson in Mt. Pleasant last Tuesday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Wilbur of DeWitt spent the weekend at the Jerry Horstman home. Mr. and Mrs. Tom Bouck of Lansing were Monday guests.

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#### Sherman Goldie Dutcher, Reporter

Brian Dutcher and his wife, Linda, returned home Tuesday night from Klamoth Falls, Ore., where they had spent the past two years while Brian was serving out his four years with the Air Force. Welcome Home to the both of you!

They are visiting his folks, the Ervin Dutchers, Jr., and her folks, the Wernettes, of Green-ville. They called on the Jim Dutchers one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. George Merrihew went with Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Chaffee to the 25th Wedding Anniversary party for Mr. and Mrs. Keith Thompson at Remus Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Kirvan of Barryton were a week ago Monday dinner guests of the George

Merrihews.

Sorry, folks, if I missed you this week, as our phone has been out so much. They are putting in a new line.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Gaudard and family of Midland were Sunday dinner and afternoon guests of the Ervin Dutchers. Mrs. Ronna Dutcher and Sandra were callers.

Ervin Dutcher, Jr., and Brian and Linda Dutcher were Wednesday morning callers of the Ervin and Clayton Dutchers.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Dutcher and family spent Sunday with the Robert Dutchers of rural Midland.

David Dutcher spent Saturday overnight and Sunday with us. Callers during the week were Walter Howe and Jim Dutcher, the Garry Dutchers, the Richard Dutchers, Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher, Bill Hardenburgh, and Vicki Martin.

Ervin Dutcher took Clayton to the doctor last Wednesday. He had x-rays Thursday. He was having terrible stomach pains.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Beutler and Laurel and Mrs. Clyde Beut-ler and Mr. and Mrs. Carl Beutler attended the Story of the Crucifixion of Christ at the Consistory Cathedral in Bay City, Sunday.

Donald spent the afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Johnston of Rosebush.

The Richard Dutcher family called on the Ivan Hines family Sunday afternoon.

Vicki Martin spent the week-end with her folks, the Al Pedigrews, of Muskegon. Bill Hardenburgh drove her to Muskegon.

Saturday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Richard Dutcher.

### Weidman Messenger

HOME PAPER FOR THE WEST HALF OF ISABELLA COUNTY

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.

Teachers and Officers Meeting

Wednesday, 6.30 p.m. Prayer Meeting (Wednesday) 7.30 p.m.

Business Meeting (Wednesday) 8.30 p.m.

Choir practice Thursday 6.30 p. m., at the parsonage.

Youth Rally Saturday, 7 p.m. at First Baptist Church of Clare. Easter film, "I Beheld His

Glory."

The 13th anniversary of the establishment of the Weidman Baptist Church was held Sunday evening, with cake and coffee enjoyed after evening services. Mrs. John Gott made a cake in the shape of the church, with appropriate lettering for the anniversary date.

The Primary Sunday School Class of the Weidman Baptist Church delivered Easter baskets to Sam Waters, Nellie Haight and Ethel Monroe Saturday, April 3.

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#### NEW CHURCH OF CHRIST OPENS IN FARWELL

The new Church of Christ in Farwell opened Sunday, with a good attendance. This is a branch of the Gilmore Church of Christ. There will be services at the Farwell church each night this week. The church is located in Farwell on US-10. It was formerly the Grace Bible Church, and the Gilmore Church of Christ purchased it. It is in front of the Farwell high school.

George Getchell will minister there, as well as at Gilmore.

Thursday evening there will be a concert at 7.30, and Friday evening at 7.30 will be Good Friday services. ---0---

FARM BUREAU SPRING RALLY SET FOR APRIL 14

The District Eight Farm Bureau Women's Spring Rally wil will be held Wednesday, April

It will be at the Hotel Chieftain in Mt. Pleasant, with Isabella the host county.

Registration and coffee hour will be at 9.30 to 10 a.m.

The program includes election of district officers; roll count Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Losey spent by counties; and a marketing and bargaining presentation, in the morning.

At 1 p.m. Rick Hult, a pharmacist from Gould's Drug Stores, who has had intensive training in drug abuse, will talk on that topic. It will be followed by a question and an-

swer period.
At 2 p.m., Mrs. Shirley Mc-Clintic of Mt. Pleasant will

conduct a wig demonstration. She will also present an informational session on the styling and care of wigs.

Luncheon will be \$2.25 per person. Reservations must be in by April 10, either to Mrs. Hugh Swindlehurst or Mrs. Edmund O'Brien, both of Mt. Pleasant.

Miss Gala-Walkington of Blanchard, the 1970-71 County Farm Bureau Queen, will be a special guest.

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#### in the Editors Mail

Dear Connie:

We expect to leave here about the 8th of April.

Please don't send us our Weidman Messenger here.

Weather is fine, but windy. It was 79 degrees today (April 1). Treva Cummins.

---0--BETTER THAN A LETTER

#### in the Editor's Mail

Dear Connie:

Enclosed you will find a money order for my subscription to your wonderful paper.

We enjoy it very much. Thank you. Mrs. Harry Martin Mt. Pleasant

#### Weidman Messenner

BETTER THAN A LETTER

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#### Editor's Column

By Connie

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gone any traumatic experiences such as Gem Survey in Weidman and a new sewer system in Remus. Barryton and Mecosta also turned down the 15-mill request by overwhelming numbers.

District-wide there is deep distrust of financial and planning abilities of the present School Board and the ever-present Mr.

Jorgensen.

We think that Virgil Bareham, head athletic coach for the district, did more than any other single person to insure the "No" vote, with his "How Sweet It Is!" piece in the school's shopper's guide, later printed on the sports page of the Mt. Pleasant Times-News under a different heading.

Mr. Bareham exulted in the underground irrigation systems, apparently already installed, for three large athletic playing fields to insure special soft grass for our athletes, "who have been practicing and playing on bare dirt fields".

How many of us knew that a hunk of the two and a half million dollars would go for underground irrigation for athletic fields?

And last but not least, the guided tours of the new building left many voters flabbergasted at the ornate and luxurious aspects of our new high school building.

As one letter-writer to the Mt. Pleasant paper said, "No amount of money or fancy buildings will educate our children. Good teachers do that."

We believe that what most parents want for their children is basic education, K through 8th grade. After that, basic education plus some industrial skills in the four years of high school. Without these things, our children will graduate from a fancy high school as sophisticated zombies, unable to read or write get a decent job. (Some will go to college, though.)

As one letter-writer to the Messenger put it, to the School Board and administration, "Ask for four mills to get back on state aid, and you'll get it."

But don't ask hard-working taxpayers to pay for irrigated playing fields and a breath-takingly ornate high school building.

The administration already is working toward the June election when it apparently again will ask for the 15 mills.

One high school lass said tearfully last week, "Oh, Grandma! How could you and Grandpa vote down the millage and deprive me of an education?"

We submit that indulging in propaganda through school children is about as low as any administration can get.

The Board and administration

will get what it wants, eventually, of course. Remember the Mt. Pleasant Board's request for millage, turned down time after time by Mt. Pleasant School District voters? The Board wore them down, the final stage being half-day classes beginning at 7 a.m., with evening classes going on, so that families were split and mothers driven frantic getting kids off to early classes, getting others off to late classes, others off to evening classes, getting kids to bed extra early, and also late, and then in between.

The Mt. Pleasant Board finally wore the mothers out, and the millage vote went through.

## Men in Uniform

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Walter is in small maintenance mechanic work, in a helicopter division. He is stationed about 50 miles north of Saigon.

Alfred O. Klumpp returned Sunday after two weeks of training with the Naval Reserves at Long Beach, Calif. He also paid a visit to his niece, Sally Baziare, and family at Santa Ana, Calif. Sally was originally from Weidman. Her maiden name was Sprague.

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Here's a new address:

Larry Leiter, son of Mr. and Mrs. Oren Leiter, left March 22 to begin basic training at Lackland AFB, Texas. Here's his address:

AB Larry O. Leiter, FR CMR No. 6, Sq. 3706, Flight 458, Lackland AFB, Texas 78236.

He would like to hear from his friends.

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Mrs. Ruth Momany received a phone call from her son and daughter-in-law, M/Sgt. Ross Momany and Ann, from their present home in Whittier, Cal., near Los Angeles. They said the recent earthquakes were felt there, but were not serious.

MRS. HIBBERD'S ADDRESS AT LAS VEGAS HOSPITAL

Here's the complete address for Mrs. Evalena Hibberd at Sunrise Hospital, Las Vegas:

Box 506B, PO 14157, Sunrise Hospital, Las Vegas, Nevada 81994.

It was reported this week that Mrs. Hibberd had been very active the week of her accident in which her other hip was broken, baking up quantities of her own inimitable goodies. She was sitting on the ground, the report said, showing some children how to play mumbledepeg, and started to get up when she fell and broke her hip.

Two years ago she fell and broke the other hip.

BETTER THAN A LETTER

COLDWATER TOWNSHIP NAMES ZONING BOARD (Continued from Page 1)

Pleasant and Mecosta County.
All these ordinances will be studied before the Coldwater Township Zoning Board attempts to write a zoning ordinance for the township.

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Broomfield Township also has set up a Zoning Board at its annual meeting.

On the Zoning Board are Don Woodruff, Lawrence Townsend, Laura Hull, Maynard Strong, and Robert Cook.

This Zoning Board will hold an organizational meeting April 20 at 8 p.m. at the Broomfield Township Hall to appoint a Zoning Board of Appeals.

Members of the Broomfield
Township body were also expected to attend the Mt. Pleasant
meeting Monday night.
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A CORRECTION

In last week's printing of the picture of the Darnell School student-body of 1914, we omitted the name of Berenice Fleming. Her name should have been listed directly after that of Harris Fleming.

Mr. and Mrs. Thayne Sides and family visited Mr. and Mrs. Ted Motcheck Sunday evening.

INTERFAITH SERVICES FOR GOOD FRIDAY AFTERNOON

Good Friday services will be held at 1 p.m. at the Weidman United Methodist Church with the Weidman Baptist Church, Weidman Church of the Nazarene and Weidman United Methodist Church all taking part. The following is a tentative schedule of the service:

Greeting, Rev. Athel J. Lynch; prayer, Rev. Donald Wolfgang; special by Methodist Choir; song by congregation; special by Church of the Nazarene;

Scripture Reading (Luke 23:-26-49), read by Rev. Marvin Eldridge; Special by Baptist Church;

Message, "Why do we call this day GOOD Friday?" by Rev. Athel J. Lynch; Song by congregation, "The Old Rugged Cross";

Benediction, Rev. Marvin Eldridge.

All are cordially invited to attend the Good Friday services here.

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Mrs. Nina Forbes called on Mrs. Alan Bahr, her granddaughter, in Mt. Pleasant, last Wednesday. She also called at the home of Robert Holt, who was also just out of the hospital. Mrs. Forbes was a supper guest.

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