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Editor's Column

By Connie

HERE WE GO AGAIN ON
POLITICIANS' MAILING LISTS
Yup, here we go again on those
left-hand, right-hand mailing lists our politicians from Lansing and Washington are indulging in nowadays.

This time it's Senator Philip A. Hart, "writing" from Washington, D.C. Here's his "letter":

(It was run off on a duplicator, probably Zerox.)

Mr. and Mrs. George W. Skinner Weidman, Michigan
Dear Mr. and Mrs. Skinner:
You are excatly right about the

inequities in the present income tax laws! Ever since I have been in the Senate I have supported efforts to close at least some of the most glaring loopholes..."

(And quite a pitch on the Senator's efforts to help The Little Taxpayer.)

Here's our answer to Senator Hart, and we mailed him a copy of it before the paper was printed, along with more tea bags:

Dear Senator Hart:

Thank you for your letter, but Mr. and Mrs. George W. Skinner were not among those writing you in relation to the income

tax. We did send you one tea bag for each of us, along with a printed slip warning that taxpay ers are getting fed up.
We are enclosing two tea bags,

one for each of us, in this letter. Please will you get us on the proper mailing list, as you ap parently have us mixed up with some other classification of your constituency.

Sincerely, Mr. and Mrs. George W. Skinner

Reports from Ford Hospital indicate that Jim Palmer was coming along, the first of the week. He expects to have part of his body-cast taken off Thursday. His leg fracture was healing nicely, doctors said.

Treatments on his nose were to continue till Friday, with surgery scheduled in four to six weeks.

Raymond Shook remained in serious condition in the Clare General Hospital, according to

reports Monday.

His friends are legion, through(Continued on Back Page)

MARIORIE SCHAFER



MARCIE DEMING

Top Scholars Named At Beal City School

Marcie Lynn Deming has been named Valedictorian and Marjorie A. Schafer Salutatorian of the 1969 Class of the Beal City School. Marcie's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Deming, and Marjorie's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Frank Schafer.

Miss Deming has been a member of the Future Homemakers of America, the Booster Club, and the National Honor Society, and Miss Schafer has participated in the same organizations as well as membership on the yearbook staff.

Both are employed at the Isabella County Medical Care Facil ity. Both plan to enter nursing schools upon graduation this spring. Miss Deming will attend the Mercy School of Nursing in Detroit, while Miss Schafer will train at Mercy Central School of Nursing in Grand Rapids.

BEAL CITY FIRE DESTROYS HOME AND BELONGINGS

Mr. and Mrs. Howard McCrimmon and their four children were left homeless in an early-morning fire Monday that destroyed their house and all their belong-

The McCrimmons lived in the cement-block building just back of the Beal City Tavern, which once was the dry-cleaning es-tablishment and home of the Dick Smith family.

Weidman firemen were called at about 2.30 Monday morning when Mr. McCrimmon discovered a fire apparently starting from their electric range in the kitchen. He extinguished the blaze with a pail of water. Firemen

returned to Weidman after a

checkover of the area.

The McCrimmons stayed with the Egbert family across the street the remainder of the night, and shortly before 6 a.m. it was discovered the McCrimmon home was in flames.

The Weidman firemen were assisted by the Mt. Pleasant Fire Department, but the intensity of the fire made any salvage impossible. Firemen instead concentrated on saving the adjacent homes and buildings.

There was no insurance. Clothing and household articles may be left at the Town and Country Tavern in Beal City, or at Bader Milling Company in Mt. Pleasant, where Mr. Mc-Crimmon is employed.

Clothing is needed for:
The smallest girl, size 4 dress,
9 1/2 shoe; Sherry, age 12, size
6 shoe, dress size 12; Laura,
also 12, dress size 12, size 5 shoe; Preston, 11, size 14 clothing, shoe size 6; and Robin, 14, dress size 10, shoe size 7.

Complicating the tragedy was the fact of the necessity of Mr.

and Mrs. McCrimmon's attendance at his father's funeral Monday afternoon in Marion. ---0--

Mr. and Mrs. Verne Foster were Thursday visitors of Mrs. Ina Gil-

Men in Unitorm

ALAN WOOD STATIONED

NEAR DMZ IN VIETNAM Mr. and Mrs. Vance Wood received word from their son, Sp/4 Alan V. Wood, saying he had arrived at Cam Rahm Bay, Vietnam, March 21, going by way of Alaska and Japan. The trip took about 20 hours.

He was processed and sent to Da Nang, and from there he expected to go to Quang Tri, located eight miles from the DMZ, where he will be assigned to a maintenance battalion.

Pvt. Steve Faber of Fort Knox, Ky., son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Faber, graduated from basic training last weekend.

Those attending his graduation were Miss Diane Faber and Pam Robertson of Big Rapids; Ed Battle of Paris, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Faber, and Susie Faber. Steve does not get a furlough, as he goes directly into heavy tank training, at Fort Knox.

Mrs. Vera Hagerman received word Monday that her grandson, Armond Hagerman, Jr., of Albion, had returned from Vietnam after serving out his time there. He is an officer, is married, and has one child. The family is reunited after his absence.

**** Here's a new address: Pvt. E/1 Thomas F. Fussman, RA 68081455, C-11-4, USAT-CA, 2nd Platoon, Fort Knox, Ky. 40121.

Tom has been in basic training about a month now, and will take a special mechanicans course.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Fussman.

Mr. and Mrs. Jay Denslow heard from their grandson, Randy Brownell, in Vietnam, saying in two weeks the temperature there will be 140 degrees. He said he was fine. He said the Viet Cong missed their target with mortar fire one day by 200 feet.

Sp/4 Russell Tilmann left last Thursday, March 27, for California to embark for Vietnam.

Pvt. Stuart Rau graduated from basic training Friday at Fort Knox, and arrived early Saturday morning for a two weeks' leave. He will go to Fort Riley,

(Continued on Back Page)

S.W. Sherman

Goldie Dutcher, Reporter

Mrs. Lucile Merrihew attended a surprise birthday party for Blanche Cliff Thursday afternoon on her 85th birthday. Marion Beutler made a birthday cake for her, but was unable to attend. The ladies served cake and ice cream. Blanche received lovely cards and gifts. A belated Happy Birthday to you, Blanche.

Laurel Beutler did not attend school Monday, due to a cold. Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher

spent Saturday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hines.

Mr. and Mrs. Roland Merrihew and family and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Reinhart, all of Taylor, were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Merrihew.

Mrs. Ruth Smith and Mrs. Marion Beutler attended a Lenten luncheon at the Remus Methodist Church Saturday noon.

Mr. and Mrs. Neil McKellar and family (a sister of Marion) were Saturday supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Beutler and children.

Sorry to hear that Alma Dosenberry is in the Mt. Pleasant hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Dutcher and sons of near Midland were afternoon callers of the Clayton Dutchers.

Mrs. Ronna Dutcher and son, Steve, called on Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Leiter Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hardenburg and family spent Saturday with Emory Dell and the Harry Hardenburgs.

Mrs. Opal Hardenburg and daughter, Judy, went with a bus load to Detroit to hear the Detroit Symphony Orchestra Saturday.

Ward Dell was a Sunday supper guest of Emory Dell.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Recker of Shepherd visited the Duane Threns Sunday.

Karry Thren was taken to Ann

Arbor last Wednesday for his checkup.

Mr. and Mrs. Theron Merrihew called on Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Chaffee and family one evening.

We received word Tuesday morning that Pearl Losey had passed away Monday. ---0--

Local Items

Mrs. Don Alwood entered CMC Hospital Tuesday afternoon, for minor surgery and tests.

Sunday visitors of Mrs. Emily Wood were Ida May Dent and daughter, Nora. Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Dent were Monday call-

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Dent of Farwell were Friday afternoon callers of Mr. and Mrs. R.D. Sprague. Mrs. Jib Hall of Barryton was also a visitor.

REBEKAH CARD PARTY

The regula scheduled Rebekah card party met at the home of Mrs. Vada Carroll last Tuesday afternoon, with four tables in

Prizes were won by Russell Wilson, Nina Forbes, Clara Fox, and the door prize was won by Claribel Beutler.

The next party will be at the Oddfellows Hall in Weidman April 8.

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EAST Coldwater

Esther Skinner, Reporter Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Olger and Dale called on Mr. and Mrs.

Jim Latham Friday evening. Denton Lofgren returned to school after being absent a week because of a foot injury.

Harold Skinner called on Mr. and Mrs. Rex Allen Friday evening on his way home from work.

Dawn Flaugher and family of Alma were Saturday evening callers of Mr. and Mrs. Don Lofgren.

Mrs. Dewey Olger and Joyce were business callers in Grand Rapids and Mt. Pleasant Saturday. While in Mt. Pleasant they called on Mrs. Delmer Conley. ---0---

Local Items

Mrs. Betty Black of Carson City was a Saturday visitor of Mrs. Bernard Riley. Mrs. Carol Bleise was also a caller.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Papesh of Saginaw spent Saturday night with the Garold St. John family. Mrs. Clayton Smith spent the

weekend in Detroit, visiting Mr. and Mrs. Jack Gould, and her sister, Mrs. Gusta Green.

Mrs. Leah Scharrer was a Thursday supper guest of Mr. and Mrs. Ted Smith and Jim, the occasion being her 65th birthday.

John Gott was ill last week, on a bland diet for ulcers. Mrs. Gott had rheumatism in her right hand and was unable to write the North Weidman news

Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Embrey attended a square dance Saturday evening at the Rosebush school, sponsored by the Farwell Square Dance Club. A large crowd from many towns was in attendance.

Mrs. Joan Charnes was hostess at a birthday dinner Sunday, hon oring her mother, Mrs. Emma Middlesworth. Guests included Fred Cole of Mt. Pleasant, Mrs. Lela Whearett and Don Clark, Mrs. Vada Carroll, and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Donley.

Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Hoffmeyer of Muskegon were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Darrell Frantz. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hoffmeyer of Hudsonville were also

Mrs. Clyde Beutler called on Mrs. Alma Dosenberry Saturday at CMC Hospital.

Local Items

Mrs. Edna Schultz returned home Sunday after spending the winter in Atlanta, Ga., with her daughter, Mrs. Gladys Wiley

Mildred Tompkins returned Thursday evening after spending a week with her sister, Mrs. Guy Stine, in Altona.

FOR SALE--Chocolate Bunnies, just a few left. Miller Farms, 5 miles west of Weidman on Airline Road, 3/4 mile south on Sherman Road.

April 3 t1p

Men in Uniform

Delwin Wood, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Wood, has not been receiving mail, and he sent his mother a correction on his address. Here it is:

Delwin Wood, SR, B 55-62-68, Co. 166, 11th Batt., Recruit Training Command, Great Lakes, Illinois 60088.

He has been lonesome and quite homesick, and would appreciate

HOME PAPER FOR THE WEST HALF OF ISABELLA COUNTY BETTER THAN A LETTER

Where To Write Your

Congressmen

U.S. Sen. Philip A. Hart Old Senate Office Building Washington, D.C. 20315

U.S. Sen. Robert P. Griffin Old Senate Office Building Washington, D.C. 20315

Cong. Elford A. Cederberg House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515

Legislators

State Sen. John R. Toepp State Senate Building Lansing, Mich. 48901

State Rep. Russell H. Strange House of Representatives Lansing, Mich. 48901

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April 3tf

THE amazing Blue Lustre will leave your upholstery beautifully soft and clean. Rent electric shampooer at Fox Hardware, Weidman. April 3 t1

FOR SALE -- The Bill Stewart farm, formerly owned by Walter Smith. E 1/2 nw 1/4, Nottawa. Sold with exception of house and garden spot. Inquire of Walter H. Smith, 136 Lamp lighter, North Fort Myers, Fla. 33903.

April 3t2p

Legal Notice

ANNUAL TOWNSHIP **MEETING**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, That the next Annual Township Meeting of the Electors of the Township of Sherman, County of Isabella, State of Michigan, will be held at

SHERMAN TOWNSHIP HALL Beginning at 2:00 o'clock P. M., Eastern Standard Time, on

SATURDAY, APRIL 5, 1969 At such time in addition to other regular business and in accordance with the law, a budget covering proposed expenditures and estimated revenues of the Township shall be submitted for consideration. Signed:

KEITH LOOMIS Township Clerk Mar27t1

FOR RENT -- Farm Land. for crops; oats, beans or hay; also 40 acres pasture under fence, with water. Call 644-3457. Dean Denslow. After 6 p.m. Mar6tf

FOR SALE OR RENT--Threebedroom house with oil furnace, electric water heater. Land contract if sold. Inquire at 5678 W. Jordan Road. Edward J. Schafer, Coldwater

Mar27 tf

AVON CALLING -- I'm your new representative for Nottawa Township. Call evenings if I missed you: Josephine Allen, Coldwater Lake, ph. 644-3603. April 3t2p

FOR SALE--King-Row Seed Corn, all numbers. Edwin Courser, 1691 So. Littlefield Rd., Mt. Pleasant. April 3t2p

FOR SALE--Vernel Alfalfa Seed. Also some ground to rent out. Isabelle Martin, 1240 Vandecar Road.

April 3t1

FOR SALE--Waterfront Lot, Lake of the Hills. Not wooded. Extra large lot, with young trees: spruce, weeping willow, poplar, etc. Roe's Acres, ph. 644-2000

Legal Notice

ANNUAL TOWNSHIP **MEETING**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, That the next Annual Township Meeting of the Electors of the Township of Coldwater, County of Isabella, State of Michigan, will be held at the Coldwater Township Hall Beginning at 1.30 o'clock P.M., Eastern Standard Time, on

SATURDAY, APRIL 5, 1969 At such time in additional to other regular business and in accordance with the law, a budget covering proposed expenditures and estimated revenues of the Township shall be submitted for consideration.

Signed:

FERN BEUTLER Township Clerk April 3t1

Card of Thanks

I wish to express my appreciation for all the cards, gifts and telephone calls on my birthday last week.

They were all very much appreciated. Thanks for all of them.

Blanche Cliff

Card of Thanks

wish to thank everyone for all the cards, flowers and gifts sent me while I have been hospitalized in Detroit.

Special thanks to my softball team for the beautiful box of fruit; Judy Krueger, who took the time to make me some special peanut-brittle candy; The Weidman Business Associ-

ation for its lovely flowers, also the Jerry Yunckers, Ken Elliott of Mt. Pleasant, and all the many others who sent flow-

ers, gifts and messages of cheer. These are all greatly appreciated.

Jim Palmer.

Brinton News

Cora Estes, Reporter

Clarence Conley is suffering from a severe case of rheumatism in his legs.

Carl and Ellen Geasler visited their brothers, Otis and Levi and families from Friday till Sunday. On their way home they called on the Mitchell Geaslers in Lan-

There was a wedding reception for Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Jones at the Brinton Hall Saturday night. The couple are from Lake. Bert and William Estes, Mrs. Wilma Sniff of rural Remus and Mrs. Carol Delemater of Six Lakes attended the funeral of their cousin, William Smitka, of Trenton, Mich., Saturday. Mr. Smitka died suddenly last Thursday, of a heart attack. He was born and raised in Wayne County, but came up here during summers and autumns and spent weekends with Bert and Cora Estes. He had many friends in this area. He and George Skinner enjoyed fishing on area lakes when Mr. and Mrs. Smitka came up here.

Jack and Larry Baker are spending their Easter vacation with their brother, Larry, and family, at Fort Mead, Md. Mr. and Mrs. Ed Shade of Bar-

ryton were Sunday visitors at the Kenneth Baker home.

Local Items

Mrs. Judy Cummins and Pam visited her mother, Mrs. Ula Cummins, Saturday morning. Mrs. Alma White called in the

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Knipfer and baby and his brother-in-law, Harley Dickie, of Lansing, spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Goodrich.

HOME PAPER FOR THE WEST HALF OF ISABELLA COUNTY

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Walker Creek News

Esther Stanley, Reporter

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

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Zill and family of Saginaw, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Langworthy and Dawn Marie of Chippewa Lake, Mr. and Mrs. Gary St. John and Deana and Michael of Weidman, and Mrs. Ida Bazaire of Deerfield Center were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Zill and sons. The occasion was Donald's birthday, Happy Birthday, Don!

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Voss and Stacey attended the wedding reception for Bruce and Kathy Jones at Brinton Community Hall Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Schrock were Thursday supper guests of his mother, Mrs. Nella Schrock, at Riverdale. They called on Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Schrock and Philip enroute home, bringing him a little red wagon. Mrs. Stanley also called, and enjoyed seeing the little fellow enjoy his gift. Mrs. Roy Miller of rural Shepherd was a Sunday guest of the Arthur Schrocks Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Denslow and Mrs. Ronald DeVries and Rhonda and Mrs. Kate Darnell were Sunday callers of Mr. and Mrs.

Otto Skalitzky.
Mr. and Mrs. Denslow and Mrs.
De Vries and daughter also called on Mr. and Mrs. Otis Conley.

Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Bowen of Mt. Pleasant called on Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Schrock and Philip Sunday evening.

Sunday evening.
Lonny Loomis was a Saturday overnight guest of Timothy Leiter. Mrs. Goldie Dutcher and Mrs. Ronna Jean Dutcher and daughter called on Ira Leiter and Mr. and Mrs. Warren Leiter and family Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Craig Thompson spent the weekend in Lansing, guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Mil-

We were sorry to hear of the passing of Fred Risdon of Blanchard. He was a brother-in-law of Mrs. Lyle Denslow. He passed away Friday night, and Mrs. Denslow has been spending sometime with her sister, and attended his funeral Monday afternoon. We extend our sympathy.

Charles Phillips of Horsehead Lake visited Mr. and Mrs. Lou Gray Monday.

Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Gray were their grandson, Michael Gray, and fiancee, Miss Rose Kutchinsky, of Scottville, and granddaughters, Joyce, Gloria, Barbara, and Yvonne. Their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Duane Gray, of Mt. Pleasant, were in Detroit for the weekend. Joyce is a Senior at

Mt. Pleasant, and had just returned from the Senior trip to New York City

New York City.
Mr. and Mrs. Gary Portenga and family visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Portenga, and Mr. and Mrs. Larry De Voss and daughters of Conklin, over the weekend. Ricky Ley of Conklin was a Sunday dinner guest at the Portenga home. Mr. and Mrs. Portenga visited Mr. and Mrs. La Verne Forbes Sunday evening.

Mrs. Emily Wood and Mrs. Ethel Bywater of Weidman visited Mr. and Mrs. Howard Monroe Friday morning. Mr. and Mrs. Sam Waters of Weidman were Sunday evening visitors.

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Mr. and Mrs. Keith Loomis
and daughters visited Mr. and
Mrs. Willard Denslow and family of Barryton Sunday afternoon.
Mr. and Mrs. Warren Leiter were
Sunday supper guests of Mr. and
Mrs. Loomis.

Mrs. Dick Touchinsky of Weidman visited Mrs. McLean Saturday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Elgin Denslow of Sylvan were Sunday dinner glests.

day dinner guests.
Wayne and Wm. Fifield of
Lansing and Robert Kirvan visited Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Emmons
Sunday.

We were sorry to hear Mrs.Kirvan is in Mt. Pleasant hospital and hope to hear she is better

Clyde Dosenberry answered the phone at his parents' home and told us his mother, Mrs. Harry Dosenberry, is in the Mt. Pleasant hospital. She had a blood clot on her leg. Hope you'll soon be home. Alma!

soon be home, Alma!
Mrs.Russell Stanley baby-sat
for the little ones at the Donald
Pung home in Beal City Friday
afternoon.

Mrs. Stanley, Mrs. Pung and Mrs. Donald Stanley attended a bridal shower for Marianne Gorby, given by Mrs. Joseph McLaughlin at Lake Thirteen Friday evening. Other members of the family attending included Mrs. Thomas Moore and Mary Lou and Mrs. Adelbert Pung and Sandra of St. Johns. The bride-to-be received many beautiful gifts. The hostess served a delicious lunch. Marianne will be married to David Moore Saturday afternoon at the Methodist Church in Farwell, with a reception at the VFW Hall Saturday night. A cordial welcome to neighbors and friends to attend the reception. Mr. and Mrs. Fay Forbes and Mr. and Mrs. James Leiter will be the band for the occasion.

NEWS NOTES
Mrs. Bertha Zuke and Miss Pamela Robinson of Big Rapids were last Tuesday visitors of Mrs.
Richard Sprague. Sunday callers were Mr. and Mrs. Harlan Sprague

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and Steve and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Straus and children. BETTER THAN A LETTER

Local Items

Earnest Gross entered CMC Hospital last Wednesday, suffering from breathing difficulty. He was reported improved the first of the week.

Saturday visitors of Mrs. Emily Wood included Evelyn Roberts of Lansing, Geraline and Steve Johnson and Flora Wood.

Margaret Kirvan entered CMC Hospital last Thursday for tests. Mr. and Mrs. R.D. Sprague were Friday evening guests of Mr.and Mrs. Arthur Dent of Farwell. They were Saturday evening callers of Mr.and Mrs. Don Lofgren. Sunday, with Mrs. Bessie Teall, they called on Mr.and Mrs. Arthur Dent of Farwell and Mrs. Lillie Suylandt of Coleman. Mr.and Mrs. Sprague also called on Mr.and Mrs. Dick McCann of Midland.

Mrs. Kit Johnson was a Saturday supper guest of the Fey Johnson family.



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Beal City Dora Smith, Reporter

The banns of matrimony were announced Sunday for the first time between Lawrence Thielen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ambrose Thielen, and Carolyn Chaney, O.L., of Guadalupe Parish, Los Angeles, Calif.

Angeles, Calif.
Mrs. Walter Rau and daughter,
Delores, called on Louise Smith

Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Smith and Julianna of Big Rapids and Mrs. Smith of Grand Rapids spent a few days with Bill and Irene Smith.

Mrs. Rose Schafer entertained company Wednesday evening.
Mr. and Mrs. Bill Andrews and family of St. Johns spent the

weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Asa Andrews.

Mrs. Peter Schafer is in CMC Hospital. She has been quite ill. Her daughter from Mexico, Sister Marie Alexander, is here to be with her. Her son, John, of Saginaw also was out to see her. She was reported improving the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Vercoe and daughter of Saginaw called on Louise Smith Sunday afternoon.

Delores and Debbie Rau and Ann Smith went to Alma and St. Johns Sunday afternoon. In St. Johns they called on the Howard Blasen family.

Mrs. Joe Pung entertained com-

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pany from Portland at Sunday dinner. Mr. and Mrs. Jack Schafer, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Simmer and Mrs. Cecelia Simmer were also guests.

Miss Mary Ellen Ruof had as weekend guests her mother and sister from Dearborn.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Schafer of Winn called on Mr. and Mrs. Tony Schafer Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Al Klumpp and girls spent Friday evening at the Tony Schafer home.

The 4-H pupils had their exhibits at the high school Sunday afternoon. The children are to be congratulated on their beautiful work.

Our sympathy to the Howard McCrimmon family, who lost everything in the disastrous fire early Monday morning.

THE TILMANNS BRING HOME A LOT OF PERCH

Donald, Richard, Earl and Allen Tilmann spent from March 21 to Sunday night, March 23, fishing perch at Cedarville.

They reported perch galore at that place, and brought some home as big as 14 1/2 inches long.

NEWS NOTES

EASTER LILIES

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Last year we disappointed a

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Satterlee of Belding were Sunday dinner guests of her sister, Helen Smith, and they also called on their niece, Ula Cummins, in the afternoon.

West Gilmore Lena Cole, Reporter

This month's meeting of the Merry Go Rpund Club will be held April 10 at the home of Verna Seymour. This meeting was scheduled to be at the home of Nora Geasler, but she is on jury duty, so Verna will again be hostess to the club.

Claris Allen passed away last Monday at St. Joseph's Hospital in Pontiac, after a long illness.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Kripa and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Cole attended the funeral of Claris Allen at South Lyons Thursday. Claris lived at Lake in his later years, and had lived near there as a boy. Our sympathy to his family.

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Miss Velma Cole spent Wednesday and Thursday with her aunts, Mrs. Helen Wardwell and Mrs.

Wm. Sampson. Wm. Wixson visited his sisters, Mrs. Wardwell and Mrs. Sampson, Wednesday morning. Jack Albee also visited his mother-in-law, Helen Wardwell, Wednesday.

Mrs. Ann Muma and three daughters and sister, Miss Cornell, of Gladwin called on their sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Geasler.

Albert Geasler took Martin Boger to Mt. Pleasant for his glasses Friday. Mrs. Geasler, Mrs. Boger and Mrs. Joyce Geasler did some shopping.

Mrs.Ruby Douglas called on Lena Cole and Velma Friday. Ruby still is having trouble with shingles.

Albert Geasler took his son, Norman, to Clare to the doctor

Thursday.

Walter Shaner is scheduled for surgery Friday for hernia. Walter and Stanley were breakfast guests of their grandmother, Mrs. Charlotte Hart, Sunday. Kay and Roxann spent Saturday night with their grandmother and were dinner guests Sunday. Other guests were Mr. and Mrs. Lane Chapman and Mrs. Hart had returned to her home after spending the winter in Mt. Pleasant.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Mossell and four boys spent Saturday night with their parents, the Paul Coles. Sunday they went to their cabin at Harrison. Mr. and Mrs. Dan Kripa visited the Coles Saturday evening.

Earl Blodgett is in CMC Hospi-

tal.

Miss Helen Albee spent the weekend with her grandmother Wardwell.

Miss Mary Lou Mossell became Mrs. Robert James Markin Friday evening. Mary Lou is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Cole.



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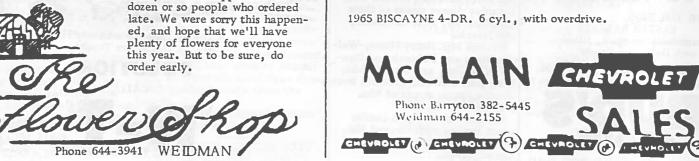
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Around Horr

Jessie Rosencrantz, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Pat Bunting were recent callers at the Sterling Oplinger home.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Benn entertained the Benn Johnson family Friday evening at supper, celebrating Tommy's eighth birthday. He received nice gifts. He got a baseball bat from Grandpa Benn. His other grandparents, the Del Johnson of Pontiac, plan to spend this weekend with them and will bring him a pup tent for his birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Benn attended a family party at the Wilbur Benn home in Shepherd Sunday afternoon, celebrating the Wilbur Benns' 46th anniversary. Ice cream and cake were

served.

I received a letter from Edith Neelands from Pontiac, telling me she is a great-grandma now. Her son's daughter, Cheryl, in California, has given birth to an eight-pound, six-ounce baby girl, named Candy Ann.

Mrs. Alma Byron and Mrs. Lena Martin and Brenda were Saturday evening guests of the Joe

Martin family.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Menard spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Paul Miller. Mr. and Mrs. Jay Denslow were Sunday afternoon callers.

Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Platick and family were Sunday dinner guests of her parents.

Mrs. Betty Thompson was among those who accompanied the Chippewa Hills School to Detroit to hear the Detroit Symphony Orchestra Saturday even-

ing. Willard Workman spent Sunday

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with Bill Thompson.

Mr. and Mrs. Dean Denslow have a new daughter, born Saturday at the Gratiot Community Hospital. She weighed six pounds four ounces, and has been named Holly Renee.

Mrs. Margaret Denslow and Mrs. Eva Denslow enjoyed Sunday dinner in Mt. Pleasant and then went to Alma to see Mrs. Dean Denslow and the new baby. Mrs. Ollie Strong was a Thursday evening caller of Mrs. Margaret Denslow.

Mrs.Flora Wood and Mrs. Kate Wood attended the band concert at Remus High School Friday

evening.

Mrs. Linda Krueger and children were Monday overnight guests of her parents, the Gerald Dents. Mr. and Mrs. Dent stayed Tuesday and Wednesday nights with the Kruegers. Mr. and Mrs. Dent had all their children home for the weekend.

Gerald and Mabel called on her mother Wednesday. Saturday evening guests at the Dent home were Marion Johnson, Lynn Johnson, Ralph McCreight, Austin Dent, and Larry Dent. Mrs. Mabel Dent, Mrs. Ida

May Dent, Mrs. Larry Dent, Mrs. Linda Krueger and Mrs. Emily Wood attended a baby shower at the Lynn Johnson home honoring Mrs. Harry Dent.

Mrs. Gordon Helmer and children and Mr. and Mrs. Allen Blodgett and children were Friday evening guests of the Benn

Johnson family.
Mr.and Mrs.Elwood Miller entertained the following people at Thursday supper, honoring his mother, Mrs. Ethel McLean, on her birthday: Mr. and Mrs. Dick Touchinski, Mr. and Mrs. Miles Miller, George Miller, and the guest of honor.

Mrs Nettie Lawrence spent the weekend with her son, Garth, and family in Midland, in honor of her birthday, which was celebrated with a birthday cake. Sunday they all called on Mrs. Dorothy Peck of Flint. Mrs. Lawrence called on Mr. and Mrs. Ed Graber last Tuesday. ---0---

N. Broomfield Maycie Cook, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Martin and Roderick Nicholson spent last Tuesday afternoon with Maycie Cook.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Thompson and three children of Holt were Saturday dinner guests of their grandmother, Mrs. E. Rhode, and Harold.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hines, Walter Hines and Deborah and Daniel of Remus, and Mr. and Mrs. Otto Lueder of Mt. Pleasant were Sunday dinner guests of Mrs. Eda Van Zandt.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Lueder spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Milford Lueder and daughter of Grand Haven.

Mrs. Emil Rhode and Harold were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Lueder. Little Jodi Lynn Bergey has

been sick the past week with ear infection. Mrs. Nettie Crowley was ill with laryngitis.

Mr. and Mrs. Orves Cook expected to leave Wednesday for Maryland, where their daughter, Darla, will graduate from her training there and will be transferred to finish a course at Great Lakes Naval Training Station. She will be home of Easter vaca-

Gregory Louis Putzig and Sandra Ann Cook were the class confirmed at the Palm Sunday service at the Lutheran Church Sunday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Maynard Strong and boys, Miss Elsie Richardson of Owosso, Roderick Nicholson

and Maycie Cook were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Cook and Stewart and Sandra, in honor of Sandra's confirmation.

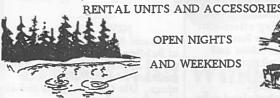
Mrs. Robert Hines spent Thursday with Mrs. Flossie Flachs.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Fanning and daughter, Michelle, are spend-ing the week with friends in Cincinnati. Mr. and Mrs. Herman Lueder are taking care of the store.

Ted Cook and daughter, Vickie, of Rosebush, visited at the Herman Cook home Sunday. They, with the Cook family, visited Canadian Lakes and called on Mr. and Mrs. Bob Fox.

Mr. and Mrs. Adam Majewski of Detroit spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Verne Foster. ---0---

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Evangelical Hour, 7.30 p.m.
Mid-week prayer meeting, Wednesday, 7.30 p.m.
Choir practice Wednesday, 8.30 p.m.

The Forest Hill Community Church held its monthly fellowship dinner at the Deerfield Center Hall Saturday evening, Mar. 29, with 45 present. All enjoyed a delicious pot-luck dinner.

ed a delicious pot-luck dinner.
After the dinner they all gathered upstairs and colored slides of the island of Haiti and Port au Prince were shown by Rev. and Mrs. Spaulding and son, and explained by Rev. Esaie Dieudonne of the islands, guests at the supper, and also Rev. and Mrs. Aungst and family.

The colored scenery of the islands was most beautiful, but the hardships of hardly any food and clothing and shelter is something we here in a land of plenty can hardly believe, until we see with our own eyes the situation there and how they walk for miles and miles over mountains and hills and valleys to go to church to worhsip God.

The Ladies' Missionary Society met at the home of Flora Wood Thursday afternoon, with eight ladies present. They tore and rolled bandages for the Island of Haiti, and were given to the minister, guest at the supper, to take back to the island, as he returned Monday. The next Missionary meeting will be with Mrs. Rose Warner.

WEIDMAN UNITED METHODIST Rev. Lawrence Smith, Pastor Worship Service, 11 a.m. Church School, 10 a.m. Esther Circle, 3rd Tuesday. McArthur Circle, 3rd Thursday. General W.S.C.S., first Thurs-

day.
Easter services for the Weidman
United Methodist Church:

Thursday evening, 7.30, Holy Communion. All believers are welcome. Immediately following Communion there will be choir rehearsal.

Good Friday service: 1.30 to 2.30 p.m., churches of the Weidman area will be taking part. Rev. Marvin Eldridge of the Weidman Baptist Church will bring the message.

Easter Sunday services:
Sunrise service, 6.30 a.m.,
followed by breakfast. Lay leader Kenneth Saunders will bring
the morning meditation.

Regular worship at 11 a.m. Church School 10 a.m. Classes for all ages. Nursery provided during worship. Easter evening there will not be the usual MYF meeting.

A discussion group for young married people has been organized. This takes place during the Sunday School hour, 10 a.m.

GILMORE CHURCH OF CHRIST George Getchel, Pastor Worship Service, 9 a.m. Bible School, 10 a.m. Worship Service, 11 a.m. Evening Service, 7.30 p.m. Wednesday Bible Study, 7 p.m.



BILL BARZ, BEAL CITY
BILL AND ANNE BARZ

ENJOY MEXICO VACATION
Bill Barz and Don Swindlehurst
were named by the Farm Bureau
Insurance Group as the outstanding salesmen of the year and
with their wives were awarded
an all-expense-paid trip to Mexico and Acapulco.

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They left Tri-Cities Airport March 21 and arrived in Mexico City the same day. They were met by guides, with an evening of Mexican entertainment also planned for them.

Next day they enjoyed a tour of Mexico City, with the Shrine of Saint Guadalupe as one of the highlights.

the highlights.

March 23 they were escorted to the Palace of Fine Arts to attend the Folore Ballet and Chorus. From there their itinerary took them to the Floating Gardens of Xochimilco, riding in flower bedecked trajinera (and we'll have to have that interpreted when we see them next.) That day they also had tickets to a bullfight.

March 24 was a day open to

March 24 was a day open to their own choices, with an evening visit to the Cancan nightclub. This was billed as some of Mexico's finest entertainment.

March 25 they went to Acapul co, to spend the next three days, with guides to show them the sights.

They were scheduled to return home March 28.

HOME PAPER FOR THE WEST HALF OF ISABELLA COUNTY

In the Editor's Mail

Dear Connie:
Renewal time again--check
enclosed.

enclosed.

This has been rather a cool winter for Florida, and only last week we had a light frost one morning. Even so, we are having fresh orange juice every morning from trees in our back yard.

Also have had a small garden, with lettuce, green onions, and radishes, most all winter.

Manage to keep very busy--work part time in an insurance office. One agent wanted me to work full time, but that doesn't leave enough time for the other things I want to do.

At Christmas time a Sorority I belong to here mailed packages

to servicement overseas who were from this area. Well, we ran out of names, so I supplied one from your list in the Messen-

I picked out Sgt. Jos. Schueller, and received a nice letter back from him. I imagine he wondered how anyone in Zephyrhills, Fla., would get his name! You see, the Messenger DOES go everywhere! (I mail mine on to Gala in Ohio.)

Gala in Ohio.)
Sorry I missed your birthday.
Didn't think you were that old.

Sincerely,
Ercel (Bywater) Woodward
Zephyrhills, Florida
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P. S. -Hope your snow and ice are gone by now. You must have had more than enough.

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Men in Uniform

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Kansas, for mechanical engineering school.

Master Sergeant Ross Momany, Jr., left Wednesday for Germany after spending a week here with his mother, Mrs. Ruth Momany. Ross visited with old friends, and many relatives while here. His family is in Germany, where Ross is doing a three-year hitch. --0---

Editor's Column

By Connie (Continued from Page 1) out this area, and all wait day by day for reports. Leila Shook and the store's staff are carrying on the friendly and competent business of the store that Ray built up from a country "grocery and dry goods" waystop to a top-notch modern self-serve food store with a remarkably good small department store on the "other side".

---0---BLANCHE CLIFF OBSERVES HER BIRTHDAY THURSDAY

Nine local ladies, mainly of the McArthur Circle of the Weidman United Methodist Church, met at the home of Blanche Cliff last Thursday to remind her of her birthday.

Blanche received gifts, cards, and telephone calls from her very many friends. She is one of our loved elder citizens.

Ice cream, birthday cake and coffee were enjoyed.

Shook's Store carried a window-wide greeting, "Happy Birthday, Blanche Cliff!" on that day.

---0---FIREMEN'S AUCTION BRINGS IN GOOD AMOUNT

The annual auction at Weaver's Tavern, for benefit of the Nottawa-Sherman Volunteer Fire Department, realized \$623, according to figures released Monday.

A record crowd attended, and everyone had a good time. Bob Myers and Ted Smith were the auctioneers.

---0---BIRTHDAY PARTY FOR EMMA MIDDLESWORTH

Mrs. Emma Middlesworth was honored on her birthday Monday morning by 11 ladies from the McArthur Circle of the Weidman United Methodist Church.

They enjoyed visiting, and were served ice cream, birthday cake and coffee. Emma received nice gifts. ---0---

NEWS NOTES Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Beutler spent Monday of this week in East Lansing, celebrating the 11th birthday of Carolyn Tibbetts, their

granddaughter.

CONTINENTAL LEAGUE March 26, 1969

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Weidman Bank	20	13
Beal City Service	20	13
Household Appliance	20	13
Rosebush Leonard	20	13
Central Concrete	18	15
Lowery Northern	17	16
Fortino Beverage	17	16
Beal City Tavern	17	16
Giant Super Mkt.	14	19
Pabst Blue Ribbon	13	20
Marchiando & Rau	12	21
Wentworth IGA	10	23
High Team Series	Waidm	ian

Bank 3012. High Team Game: Weidman Bank 1092.

High Indv. Series: Larry Mason 591, Ron Neubecker 575, Bob Lyons 571. High Indv. Game: Howard Kolarik 254, Glen Brown 219, Jack Pung 217. GUYS & DOLLS

March 28	
Nolte & Moore 35	13
Knapp & Bouck 31	17
Lawens & Pantenburg 28	20
Thon & Blake 27	21
Sharrar & Mattonen 26	22
Lyon & Wilson 24	24
Bleise & Straus 23	25
Foster & Moore 23	25
McArthur & Anderson 20	28
Blehm & Moore 19	29
Bierschbach & Zill 18	30
Green & McConnell 14	34
High Team Series: Knapp	3

Bouck 2427. High Team Game: Knapp & Bouck 815.

High Series, men: Pete Knapp 607, Tom Bierschbach 575, Dale Lawens 562. High Game, men: Pete Knapp 235, Dale Lawens 227, Jerry Thon 218.

High Series, women: Louise Bouck 506, Mary Blake 489, Mickey Blehm 456. High Game, women: Mary Blake 188, Jan Moore 183, Louise Bouck 173. ---0-

CHARLES GROSS SURPRISED ON HIS BIRTHDAY

The family of Charles Gross of Nottawa Township surprised him Sunday evening on his 70th birthday, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Gross.

The evening was spent playing cards, and a delicious lunch was served, featuring a birthday cake.

All had a wonderful time. ---0--

RACKET ROLLER CLUB MEETS EVERY OTHER MONTH

The Racket Roller Club held an extra meeting Feb. 8 at the Din 'n Racket Roller Rink.

It was voted to meet every other month instead of four times a year.

For information, contact Mrs. Earl Smalley, Mt. Pleasant; Mrs. Gerald Gimmey, Shepherd; Mrs. Des Vinning, Alma; or Mrs. Earl Oplinger, Weidman.

The next meeting will be on April 12.

BETTER THAN A LETTER

FAMILY RESTAURANT NOW **OPEN FOR BUSINESS**

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Roosa of Edmore have purchased the Weidman restaurant from Mr. and Mrs. Orville Cox, who closed it in December and went back to Saginaw.

The Roosa family operate the restaurant in a good and efficient way, and the area welcomes them to Weidman.

The restaurant opened Thursday of last week, after some renovating, and present plans are for 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. business, seven days a week.

We are happy to have the restaurant open once more. Weidman needs it, and with the spring tourist and cottager season coming on, it is a good time for the Roosa family to begin as Weidman business people.

FARM BUREAU SERVICES HAVE GET TOGETHER FRIDAY, APRIL 11

The Farm Bureau petroleum, services, insurance, and all or-ganized groups of Isabella County Farm Bureau are hosting a county-wide get-acquainted session April 11 at West Intermediate School, Mt. Pleasant, from 8 to 10 p.m.

Seventy-two new county Farm Bureau members will be welcomed at this time. Samples of products will be furnished, and refreshments served. Sara Stilgenbauer, reigning Isabella County Farm Bureau Queen, will be

presented.

All interested families are welcome to attend.

---0---GILMORE LADIES HEAR DR. COTTRELL

Twenty-four women from the Gilmore Church of Christ were among more than 800 gathered in Lansing to hear Dr. Cottrell last Friday evening. The dinner meeting was sponsored by the Great Lakes Bible College for its women contributors.

Dr. Cottrell, a Christian psy-chiatrist from Denver, Colo., told the women, "A faith worth having becomes a working faith.'

"Do you see history in God's Word, or do you see His-story?" he asked them. "We are helping

Him make history or His-story."
Using the theme, "Created to
Serve," Dr. Cottrell said that
life is either "awfully simple or
simply awful." He paraphrased
Jesus' words: "If you don't have faith in your fellow man, how can you have faith in God?"

The women were told they were the "innoculation keeping a bad infection from spreading and that as Christian women they could do anything which was in the power or permissive will of God."

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NEWS NOTES Mrs. Irma Kische and Mrs. Hermione Smith were Sunday dinner guests of the Don Smith fam-



ALL DAY EASTER SUNDAY

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