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Editor's Column

By Connie

WE HEARD FROM OLD FRIENDS MEMORIAL DAY

So we had some delightful visits with old friends around Memorial Day time, including one with George and Elsie Bolinger of Grand Ledge. We heard about the Bolinger family, who used to live across the road from the Roe place, in the house now occupied by Mr. and Mrs. James Noe.

Charlie Bolinger died last fall. Charlie had lived at Wolverine for many years, but we remember him as an enthusiastic fisherman on Walker Creek. He took Minnie Roe many suppers of fresh-caught and well-cleaned trout from Walker.

Bill and Ruth Bolinger live at Sarasota, Florida. Hazel Bolinger Coughlin lives in Mt. Pleasant. Elsie Bolinger Campbell lives near Muskegon, and has been hospitalized for surgery. She was doing well, George and Elsie said. Beatrice Bolinger Decker lives at Montague, Mich.

George and Elsie are enjoying life in retirement in Grand Ledge, having an apartment in a house owned by Elsie's daughter, Mrs. Herman Koos (Yvonne) and Herman. Yvonne has an outstanding boutique business in one part of the house.

George and Elsie were here for Memorial Day weekend, visiting her brother-in-law and sister, George and Edna Merrihew.

We had a short chat with Grace Woolworth Watson of Saginaw. Grace and her husband Cleo were up this way tending cemetery plots.

Grace said she and her husband enjoyed a trip to England this year. Grace is well named: she is one of the most gracious persons we know.

Then of course we had chances to visit with local people we don't see often, as they went to Frances and Barney Tranbargers' to buy flowers and cemetery pieces.

We tended our own cemetery plots, of course; Memorial Day is a day for remembering our dead. As most people observe this, we also have a chance to see people from away.

HOME PAPER FOR THE WEST HALF OF ISABELLA COUNTY



MRS BERTHA CLARK--We took this photo of Mrs. Clark a year ago in May, on the occasion of her 90th birthday. She passed away early Monday morning, at 12.45, at the Medical Facility in Mt. Pleasant. She had been in and out of the hospital during the past year. She was widely known, and was loved by everyone. She was one of our last pioneer citizens. She was 91.

Bertha Reynolds was born in Clinton County, Michigan, May 26, 1879. In 1898 she was united in marriage to J.H. (Bert) Clark, in Sherman Township, and they made their first home in Brinton, then a thriving village. He taught the Brown School a few years, and later owned a grocery and hardware store, later selling the grocery part but keeping his hardware.

Then he attended veterinary college in Grand Rapids and graduated as a doctor of veterinary.

The family moved to Weidman where they spent five years, and then moved to Pontiac, where Dr. Clark had a small-animal hospital and cared for horses on estates around Pontiac. The family lived there about 15 years.

They returned to Weidman in 1931, and built the home that is the Clark homestead in Weidman. Dr. Clark died in July of 1960.

Before his death, the couple had celebrated both their 50th and 60th wedding anniversaries. Mrs. Clark was quite alert and well until last January, when she fell and broke her knee. After that she was an invalid.

Surviving are six children: Harold Clark, Lela Whearett, Lucille Shackleford of Denver, Colo., Herbert Clark of Plymouth, Virgil Clark of Orlando, Fla., and Donald, at home.

GRAND OPENING OF SEN PARTY STORE THIS WEEK

This weekend is the Grand Opening for the SEN Party Store at Coldwater Lake, when Sonny and Noreen Thelen will host visitors to see their nice new store.

There will be dancing Saturday evening to an old-time German band from Westphalia, and this will be the real thing. Sonny and Noreen are giving away a turkey as a prize.

There will be treats for the kiddies, and welcome for all their many friends.

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Mrs. Winnie Baker of Flint spent Thursday with Mrs. Edna Schultz.

Another son, Allen, died suddenly in Florida two years ago.

Also surviving are 13 grandchildren and 23 great-grandchildren; besides other relatives, and a host of friends.

Mrs. Clark was a member of the Weidman Chapter of Eastern Stars, the Methodist Church, and several ladies' clubs, such as the Busy Bees, and others.

Funeral services were planned for 2 o'clock Thursday afternoon in the Weidman United Methodist Church, with Rev. Lawrence Smith officiating. Burial is in the family plot in Fairview Cemetery.

The community mourns the passing of another of our pioneers, and of a friend.

SWIMMING POOL REJECTED 3 TO 1 IN SCHOOL VOTE

The Chippewa Hills Schools Board of Education's request for bonding the district to the tune of \$380,000 for a swimming pool in the new high school building was soundly defeated by voters, nearly three to one.

Gordon Fosburg was elected to a four-year term on the Board. Re-elected were Harry Gardner and David Dunlop.

In the Weidman precinct, Ivan Allen won the most votes but lost in the overall district. The vote for Mr. Allen reflects the discontent of this area, inasmuch as he published a paid advertisement in the school's shoppers guide last week listing his disappointments at the way the school has been run.

In the Weidman precinct, embracing the townships of Coldwater, Gilmore, Sherman, Notawata, Deerfield and Broomfield, or parts of them, Mr. Allen received 222 votes, Mr. Fosburg 204.

In the district-wide vote, David Dunlop received 737 votes, Gordon Fosburg 636, Harry Gardner 628, Ivan Allen 621, John Carson 576, and Geo. Lacey 489.

On the pool issue (bonding the district) the vote was: Yes: 382. No: 1,038. The Board allowed non-taxpayers to vote on this issue, and in the Weidman precinct they voted: Yes 8, No 4.

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LIBRARY AUCTION SALE SET FOR JUNE 13

Don't forget the auction sale at the Gladys McArthur Memorial Library in Weidman June 13, beginning at 1 o'clock p.m. There will be very many items of interest for all.

The auction will be held outdoors, and in case of rain the sale probably would be postponed according to word this week.

Donations of household goods, any odd things usable that you don't want--get 'em out of your way by sending 'em down to the Library sale!

Donors may take items for sale the morning of the event, or when they come to attend, according to the Library Board.

Ted Smith will be the auctioneer--and he's good. Be sure and plan to attend the sale, June 13 --and be sure and look around your place for possible donations to be sold.

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BETTER THAN A LETTER

Brinton News

Frances Beck, Reporter

OPEN HOUSE FOR MITCHELL GEASLER BRINGS TOGETHER MANY FRIENDS, RELATIVES

Open House Sunday afternoon at the Gordon Fosburg (Marilyn Geasler) home north of Brinton brought out a great number of Mitch's friends and relatives to congratulate him.

Prior to the Open House, the Geasler family and their children joined together at dinner at the home of Carl and Ellen Geasler.

Mitchell graduated this weekend from Michigan State with his Ph.D. degree, and he and his family will soon move to Ames, Iowa, where he has accepted a position.

Their many friends offer sincere congratulations, and their pride in Mitch's achievements.

Caroline Alston and Maude Winchell spent Sunday night with their sister, Flossie Forbes. Mrs. Forbes recently returned from wintering in Florida.

Those who called at the Coker Funeral Home in Farwell Sunday evening in respect to Minnie Clark were Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Bowen and Connie, Frances Beck and Nora Geasler.

Mrs. Josephine Wade and Elizabeth Conley called at the Coker Funeral Home in Farwell Saturday evening and paid respects to Mrs. Minnie (Sisco) Clark. Minnie lived in Brinton at one time. She passed away at the Clare hospital Friday night.

Mrs. Whaley entertained her son, Leonard Durkee, and family, Sunday.

The young people of the Brinton Chapel held a party Saturday evening, honoring Darrell Worth and De Wayne Krabill on their high school graduation, DeWayne from Farwell and Darrell from Chippewa Hills.

George Beers and Clifford Jones left Friday night for the North on a fishing trip in Canada.

Kathy Jones entertained a group of ladies at a paint party Wednesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Charley Metzger called on Frances Beck and Bud Longtin Thursday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Veryl Wright and boys spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Russell Wright.

Fern Verette, Echo Godwin and Nicky, Eunice LaLonde, Eathel Beers and Cora Beers and Janet Beers are spending a week across the Straits, on vacation.

Connie Bowen and girl friend attended a wedding reception for one of their girl friends in St. Louis Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph LaLonde went to Columbus, O., Thursday, where they attended the graduation of their granddaughter

ter Friday evening.

Flossie Forbes returned home Saturday with her daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Foulds, where she had spent two weeks after returning from Florida, where she spent the winter with her daughter, Irene.

Sympathy is extended to Mr. and Mrs. Dick Bell of Gilmore Township in the sudden death of their son, Neil, who met with an accidental death. He was a cousin of Fay Forbes. The Forbes families attended the funeral Sunday at the Coker Funeral Home in Farwell.

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S. W. Sherman

Goldie Dutcher, Reporter

Don't forget--The Woodin School Reunion is Sunday, June 14, at the Drew Hall. Pot-luck dinner at 1 p.m. Bring your own table service. Everyone welcome.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Beutler and children were Saturday supper guests of her folks, the Norman Schultheisses, of St. Johns.

The Duane Threns, Dale Gatehouses, Leo Gatehouses and Bill Maeders all had a picnic cook-out at the Harry Gatehouse home Sunday.

Mrs. Minnie Strauch spent Monday afternoon and had lunch with Mrs. Clayton Dutcher.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Beutler and family and Mr. and Mrs. Carl Beutler and family attended Open House at the James Beutler home in Rosebush Sunday evening to honor their son, Jon, who was graduated from Mt. Pleasant High School, and daughter, Jane, who graduated from CMU.

David Gatehouse was ill the past week. He was taken to the doctor Monday.

Mrs. Barbara Dutcher and Patti called on Ronna Dutcher Monday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher, Sr., were evening callers.

Gary and Steve Gatehouse, Bill Maeder and Berl Denslow and Ray Billsby were in Canada, fishing, over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. George Merrihew and Mr. and Mrs. Orrie Merrihew attended an auction sale at the Theodore Merrihew home Saturday. They called at the Theron Merrihews' also. Rev. and Mrs. Russell Stanley and two children of Mt. Morris were luncheon guests of the George Merrihews. The Orrie Merrihews spent Sunday afternoon with Orval Merrihew.

Mrs. Ronna Dutcher and Steve and Sandra, Mrs. Clayton Dutcher, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dutcher and Rex and Dawn of Midland, and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Howe were visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Dutcher Sunday afternoon. Mrs. Minnie Strauch of Mt. Pleasant spent the evening and over night.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dutcher and children of Mt. Pleasant were Sunday luncheon guests

of his mother, Mrs. Clayton Dutcher.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Dutcher and family called on Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Case Sunday evening. The Cases were Monday evening callers of the Dutchers.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Beutler and family visited her folks, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Sanderson, of St. Charles, Saturday.

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Local Items

The house formerly owned by George McClain, Jr., which stood in front of the new home he built the past year, has been moved to the first lot south of the Norman Abbott place. The house was once owned by Dr. Gillett, and he remodeled it. He and Mrs. Ina Gillett lived

there until the doctor's death.

Chris, Brian and David Embrey spent Saturday night with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Embrey. They are sons of Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Embrey

Helen Smith spent 10 days with her grandson and wife, Larry and Cheryl Cummins, of Ithaca. They brought her home June 3.

Garth, Judy and Pam Lawrence of Midland were Saturday morning callers of their mother and grandmother, Mrs. Ula Cummins and Mrs. Helen Smith. Judy was also a late afternoon visitor.

Helen Smith and Ula Cummins called on Vera Smith at the home of Mrs. Dobbin Saturday afternoon, and found her not so well.

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t July 30p

WEIDMAN ELDERLY PEOPLE--Or anyone unable to get about without help, who would like to visit the Gladys McArthur Memorial Library and also visit with each other, I will take you there and back home. Call Ruth Momany, tel. 644-3623, Carol Schafer, tel. 644-3501, or Diane Benn, tel. 644-3316, for appointment.

May 21tf

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June 11t1p

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June 11t1

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June 11t1

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June 11t1

YARD SALE--Saturday and Sunday, June 13, 14, 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Bunk beds, swivel rocker, tv, toys, 2 pianos, many other items. Four miles north

of Remus, 3 1/2 miles east, 3rd house on south side of road. 1/2 mile from county line on Drew Road.

June 11 t1p

Card of Thanks

A sincere Thank You to all who visited me in the hospital, sent cards or telephoned to offer assistance.

To the Men's Club for flowers, and to the Ladies of the WSCS. Special thanks go to Rev. Smith, Roderick Nicholson, Cleo Wiley, Mrs. Dale Gatehouse, and Mrs. Gary Grigg. Vernon Foster.

Card of Thanks

I wish to thank my friend, Mrs. Eva Marshall, who brought me to the hospital; the assistance I had in the emergency unit; Dr. Wood, who came to my aid, Dr. Wickert and Dr. Shepherdgian for their excellent care; the nurses and aides in I. C. U., and all the other nurses and aides who cared for me while I was in CMC Hospital in Mt. Pleasant.

Also I am deeply grateful to Rev. Marvin Eldridge from Weidman Baptist Church, Rev. Wolfgang from Weidman Nazarene Church, Rev. Russell Stanley, Jr., from Mt. Morris Nazarene Church; to the Brinton Chapel; To my little granddaughters, Susan, Sandra and Deborah, who lit candles and prayed for me at St. Joseph's Church in Beal City, and to Rev. Wm. Livingston from Prospect Church of God, Mt. Pleasant, who was chaplain at the hospital this week.

Thank you all for your prayers. Thanks to my friends in Weidman, Hep TOPS Club, neighbors and friends, and my family, for your visits, flowers and cards that made my stay at the hospital more pleasant.

Thanks for good friends, Thelma and Mary, who wrote the Walker Creek news column.

Sincerely,
Esther V. Stanley.

Obituary

MINNIE SISCO CLARK

Funeral services for Mrs. Frank Clark (Minnie Sisco) of Barryton were held Monday, June 8, at the Coker Funeral Home in Farwell. Mrs. Clark died Friday night in the Clare Osteopathic Hospital. Burial was in the North Brinton Cemetery at Brinton. Rev. Wayne Lyon officiated.

Mrs. Clark is survived by her husband, Frank; one son, Harry Brown, of Lake; two grandchildren and four great-grandchildren; and one brother, Donald Brown, of Lake.

Mrs. Clark lived in Brinton as Mrs. Frank Sisco for many years, and has many friends in the area.

She was raised in the Eight Point Lake area.

About four years ago she was married to Frank Clark of Barryton, and had lived there since.

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the Churches

BRINTON CHAPEL

Norman Brines, Pastor
Sunday School, 10 a.m.
Church, 11 a.m.

Thursday, youth meeting, 5.30 p.m. Choir practice, 7 p.m.
Prayer meeting, 7.30 p.m.

Second Sunday of each month, evening services at 7.30 p.m.

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Worship Service, 10.30 a.m.

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George Getchel, Minister
Located six miles south of Farwell.

Morning Worship, 9.30 a.m.
Bible School, 10.30 a.m.
Youth Hour, 6 p.m.
Evening Worship, 7.30 p.m.

WEIDMAN BAPTIST CHURCH

(One mile west of Weidman)
Rev. Marvin Eldridge, Pastor
Sunday School, 10 a.m.

Preaching, 11 a.m.
Choir practice, 6.45 p.m.
Evening Bible Study, 7.30 p.m.

Prayer meeting Wednesday, 7.30 p.m.

Bible School June 15-19, 9 a.m. to 11.30 a.m., conducted by the Rural Bible Mission.

The Ladies' Missionary Group planted flowers around the church in their beautification campaign. The plantings are lovely.

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Local Items

Mr. and Mrs. R.D. Sprague called on Mrs. Rhea Williamson Sunday afternoon, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Murphy of Mt. Pleasant.

Mrs. Dorothy Ullrich and Mrs. Jacqueline Newhall of Evart were last Wednesday visitors of Mrs. Emily Wood. Mrs. Virginia McArthur and Mrs. Gene McArthur called Thursday. Mr. and Mrs. Harry Dent were also callers. Mrs. Virginia Lee and children and Miss Lillian Nick of Dowagiac took Mrs. Wood to Red Oak, to see her brother, and brought her home Sunday. HOME PAPER FOR THE WEST HALF OF ISABELLA COUNTY

Around Horr

Jessie Rosencrantz, Reporter

The Benn Johnsons spent part of Sunday at Horsehead Lake. Frank Benn was a Sunday caller at the Johnson home.

Mrs. Margaret Denslow finished her school last Friday, and is enjoying her vacation. Mrs. Denslow and the Dean Denslow family were Sunday dinner guests of the Harrison Ruff family at Diamond Lake.

Rev. and Mrs. Wolfgang and son were Sunday afternoon callers of Mrs. Eva Denslow. Other callers were Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Swan and Tracy and Cheryl, Mrs. Nora Powers and Mrs. Effie Kent.

Mrs. Lydia Williamson of Florida, a sister of Paul Miller, was a Sunday guest of Mr. and Mrs. Miller. Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Phillips and Pam were also Sunday guests. Jim Wright and friends, Jack and Sharon, of Pontiac, spent the weekend at the Wilbur Wright cottage here.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Bergquist, Mr. and Mrs. Vance Wood and Gloria and Mrs. Flora Wood attended Open House Sunday at the Gordon Fosburg home honoring Mitchell Geasler, Ph.D., on his graduation. Later they took Gloria to Grayling, where she will take a six-weeks course in nursing. Richard Wood and Diane Wood were Thursday dinner guests of Mrs. Wood. Richard was on leave from Virginia Beach, Va., where he had graduated from a course of study. He returned that afternoon back to Virginia. He is taking a course in electronics.

Mrs. Goldie Dutcher and Mrs. Hattie Losey attended an REA meeting at Weidman.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Losey, Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Losey and family, Mrs. Susie Chapman and Jessie Rosencrantz attended Open House at the Harold Losey home Thursday evening, honoring Ron on his graduation. Mrs. Minnie Strauch was a Saturday overnight guest of Hattie Losey. Floyd Dutcher was a Saturday evening callers at the Losey home.

Mrs. Judy Lawrence and Pam were Saturday afternoon guests of her grandparents, the Alva Cumminses. Will Cummins was a Sunday dinner guest.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Graber were Monday dinner guests of his sister, Mrs. Nettie Lawrence. Mrs. Lawrence attended a party at the home of Mrs. Kit Johnson Friday. Mr. and Mrs. Garth Lawrence and Pam were Saturday supper guests of his mother.

Mrs. Edna McDonald was a Sunday guest at the Earl Oplinger home. Mr. and Mrs. Oplinger spent Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. John Carr at their cottage at Lake City.

The Joe Martin family attended graduating exercises for Joe

Carroll Wednesday evening at Sacred Heart Academy in Mt. Pleasant.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Losey and family and Mrs. Bruce Chapman attended Open House for Dick Klumpp in Winn Friday evening.

Mrs. Joanne Cochran and Mickey were weekend callers at the Gerald Losey home. Other callers were Mrs. Donna Gross and Curt and Casey.

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Chapman attended his grandmother's funeral Monday in Grand Rapids.

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Central Gilmore

Lola Fordyce, Reporter

Mrs. Beatrice Rhode entered the Mt. Pleasant hospital last Monday and underwent surgery. She was expected home Monday of this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Buchel held Open House a week ago Sunday evening after the graduating services at Big Rapids, for their daughter, Darlene.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Badgley, Mr. and Mrs. Ron Arnold, went to Saginaw Sunday and had dinner with Dale's granddaughter, Susan Arnold.

Mr. and Mrs. Egbert Fordyce were Sunday dinner guests of Mrs. Bernice Cook of Farwell. In the afternoon they all went to Marion to attend Open House honoring Robin Fordyce, grandson of Earl Fordyce, who graduated from the Marion High school.

Mr. and Mrs. John Warner left Friday for New York state, where they will spend the summer working as park managers.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Faber attended Open House for Miss Sally Howell. She was a graduate this year from Mt. Pleasant High School.

Miss Sharon Pitts, Miss Marlene Pitts and Perry Pitts of Big Rapids spent Friday and Saturday with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Egbert Fordyce. Glad to have them back home again.

Mrs. Donna Fordyce has been spending some time at her cottage at Stevenson Lake.

Mrs. Ruth Pitts spent Sunday evening at the Jack Jarman home.

Mrs. Lena Rathburn of Saginaw has returned to her home after spending some time with her sister, Mrs. Ruth Pitts.

Sympathy is extended to the family of Neil Bell.

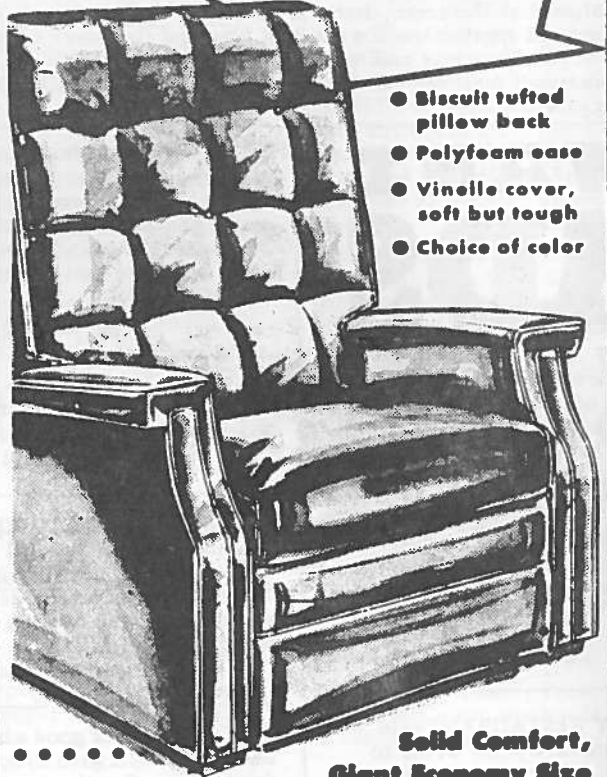
Mr. and Mrs. Walter Faber received word Monday morning that Ed Battle of Paris had been killed Sunday night in a car accident. Their daughter, Susie, and Ed were planning on an August wedding. Our sympathy is extended to his family, and to the Fabers in their hour of sorrow.

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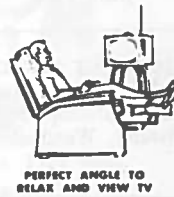


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Dora Smith, Reporter

Jim Westrick of Grand Ledge has been visiting Ken and Helen Martin.

Mrs. Lavina Elias spent a week in Okemos with her son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Elias. Mrs. Walter Elias was leaving for Denver, Colo., to visit relatives.

Joseph Lawens, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Smith, Judy Travis, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Smith and Janice attended graduation ceremonies at the Lansing Business University for James Smith Friday evening.

Shirley Anderson and sons attended the Tri-Cities drag races Sunday.

Irene Zeien took Ann Smith to Weidman Tuesday evening.

Mrs. Bernie Smith called on Louise Smith Wednesday afternoon. Mrs. Arnold Simmer and daughter of Reed City were Thursday afternoon callers, on their way home from Mt. Pleasant.

Tony Schafer entered CMC Hospital Sunday for a checkup.

The Shanahan reunion was held Sunday in the K. C. Hall.

Louise Schafer was home for the weekend. She works for Joe Schueller in Mt. Pleasant.

Ida Tilmann and Mary Court-right went to see her doctor in Saginaw Thursday.

Among those attending gradu-

ating exercises for Reggie Shanahan in Flint were Mr. and Mrs. Frank Theisen, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Theisen, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Theisen, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Theisen, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Theisen, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Joe Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Yunker, Mr. and Mrs. Steve Straus, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Straus and Mrs. Gertrude Gross.

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Two Rivers

Blanche Carr, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Chaffee and Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Courser visited the Lawrence Roberts in Toledo, O., Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Harvey of Lansing and the William Sweet family of Mt. Pleasant visited Mrs. Charles Harvey and Bill Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Moses, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Lynch, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Lynch of Mt. Pleasant and Mrs. Nettie Baker spent Wednesday with Mrs. Thelma Pyrett of Chippewa Lake, to celebrate her birthday anniversary.

Miss Kathy Emery of Dearborn spent the weekend with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Chris Larson. Mr. and Mrs. Beryl Campbell of Mt. Pleasant were Wednesday guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Aungst and family have moved to Williamston, where he has charge of the grain elevator.

Mr. and Mrs. Singleton Moses

and family of Flushing and Mrs. Lovica Krueger of Mt. Pleasant were Sunday visitors of the Harold Kruegers.

Mr. and Mrs. Everett Hunt and Mr. and Mrs. David Hunt and baby of Lansing were Sunday guests of Mrs. Leona Courser.

Mrs. Kate Martin and Ray attended the graduation of Joseph Carroll of Mt. Pleasant Wednesday, and that of Miss Joan Martin of Lakeview Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Flaughner and Mr. and Mrs. Russell Flaughner and children spent the weekend at their cabin at Cheboygan.

Blanche Carr was a Friday supper guest at the Arnold Krueger home in Mt. Pleasant, and a Friday overnight guest of the Norman Carrs in Shepherd. She spent the weekend with her sister and brother-in-law, the Earl Strahles, of St. Johns.

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North Weidman

Elvah Gott, Reporter

Our sympathy goes to the family of Mrs. Bertha Clark.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Adams called on Mr. and Mrs. Roy S. Adams Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Latham of Remus and Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Leiter of Mecosta and Jessie

Leiter called on Laura Latham Sunday. Lois Sheldon of Mt. Pleasant was a Saturday evening caller.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Sowle and family and Tessie Sowle of Detroit visited Mr. and Mrs. Don Abbott from Thursday till Sunday. Laura Spice and children of Carson City and sister, Laura Roberts, and son, Kevin, of Brinton, called Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Gott attended graduation exercises for twins Richard and Ruth Gott in Farwell Friday evening. An Open House was held at their home. They received nice gifts of money and other presents. They are graduates of the Farwell High School.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Abbott and Jim, Judy and Jerry went to Tubbs Lake Saturday and stayed over night. In the afternoon Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Dale Maeder and son and Caroline Jewell and children and Jack Parrish were callers.

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Mrs. Kit Johnson attended the graduation of her grandson, Tim Johnson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Johnson, at Sacred Heart Church last Wednesday evening. She stayed over night, and attended Open House for the graduate.

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Mr. and Mrs. Herman Lueder, Mrs. Joan Schumacher, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Cook, Mr. and Mrs. Orves Cook, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Cook and Terry Danol of Northville attended the funeral of Mrs. Arthur Cook of Huntington, Ind., Wednesday.

Faie Hummel of Ionia and Cecil Packard of Midland were united in marriage June 4.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Lueder had dinner with Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Benezette of Mt. Pleasant Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Cook entertained at a dinner party honoring the birthday of his mother, Mrs. Mary Cook. Guests were Mr. and Mrs. Herman Lueder, Mrs. Amelia Kory, Mrs. E.R. Rhode and Harold. Her grandson and family, the Eugene Lathams, and two daughters of Evart also called.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Lueder attended the graduation exercises for their grandson, Duffy Lueder, of Wyoming, and for Richard Starr, son of the John Starrs, at the Saginaw Lutheran Seminary, Thursday.

Mrs. Paul Lueder spent the weekend with her brother and family, the Cecil Stevens, of Grand Ledge.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Gostola and Dixie were Sunday dinner guests of her mother, Mrs. E.R. Rhode, and Harold, in honor of Mrs. Gostola's birthday.

Mrs. Nettie Crowley returned from Detroit Monday. Her daughter, Edna, and Mr. and Mrs. Ernie Windolph and children of Warren, brought her home.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Adams enjoyed a 10-day vacation in Canada.

The pot-luck dinner at the Lutheran Church was greatly enjoyed.

Visitors of Mrs. Maycie Cook the past week were Mrs. Nettie Crowley, Mrs. Christine Cook and Stuart, Mrs. Richard Lueder, and Mrs. E.R. Rhode.

Mrs. Rhode also called on her granddaughter, Mrs. Bonne Loucks, at the Mt. Pleasant hospital and Mrs. Bertha Rhode at the Medical Facility.

Mr. and Mrs. Orves Cook, Mrs. Glee Krueger and Alliance Cook spent Sunday evening at the Richard Cook home, and enjoyed scenic pictures Richard took in many Southern states.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Cook and Mr. and Mrs. Orves Cook enjoyed a scenic drive in Northern Michigan Sunday.

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Walker Creek News

Esther Stanley, Reporter

(Editor's Note: This news was written by Mrs. Keith Loomis (Mary). Until Esther Stanley is able to take it up again, we do hope Mary can continue. You can help; call your news to her. Her number: 3611.)

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Dillenberg spent the weekend at Grand Haven and Spring Lake with their children, the Richard and Wm. Louisell, Jr., families.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Corwin of Fenton were weekend guests of her parents, the Lyle Denslows.

Sunday visitors of the Dale Denslows were her sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Packard, of Deerfield.

Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Denslow, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Denslow, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Denslow, Mr. and Mrs. Otis Conley and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Corwin all attended Open House Sunday afternoon for Darlene Dargitz at her home. Darlene received her Master's degree from CMU.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Emmons were Thursday supper guests of the Bob Kirvans. Mr. and Mrs. Vance Wood called at the Emmons home Saturday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Bob Kirvan were Sunday supper guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Loomis were Sunday visitors of the Willard Denslow family at Barryton.

Vicki Loomis was a Thursday overnight guest of Kathy Kimball at Mt. Pleasant.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Monroe and Blane called on the Wayne Abbotts and Harry Rupps Sunday afternoon. Blane attended his Sunday School class party at Mitchell Memorial Park in Weidman Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Lou Gray were Thursday overnight guests of Emma Ley at Conklin. They attended Open House Sunday afternoon for Mitchell Geasler at the Gordon Fosburg home. Their Sunday evening visitors were her sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Hanson, of Rodney, and the Loren Gray family of Mt. Pleasant.

The Gary Portenga family were home from Ohio over the weekend. Their daughter, Kimberly, is spending a few days with Grandma Gray.

Renee Stebelton, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dan Stebel-

ton of Mt. Pleasant, was released from CMC Hospital June 4, after an attack of bronchial pneumonia.

Arthur Loomis called on his daughter, Mrs. Warren Leiter, and family, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Max Kimball and family were Thursday evening visitors of the Keith Loomis family. Virgil Loomis and boys were Saturday dinner guests.

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Local Items

Mr. and Mrs. R.D. Sprague and Mr. and Mrs. Gary Sprague observed their wedding anniversaries Saturday evening with dinner at Dunn's at Coldwater Lake.

Mr. and Mrs. Garold St. John and family spent Sunday with her folks, Mr. and Mrs. Orville Bates, of Clare.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Smith and Jim spent the weekend at Wolverine, camping, at the place of his brother, Wayne Smith, on the Sturgeon River.

Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Sprague and family, Mr. and Mrs. R.D. Sprague and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Dent of Farwell took ice cream and cake to Pleasant Manor last Thursday evening, to celebrate the 85th birthday of their mother, Mrs. Bessie Teall. Mrs. Teall was feeling well.

Mrs. Mary Lambert of Saginaw and Mrs. Eleanor Lehr of Clare were visitors of Mrs. Kit Johnson Friday afternoon.

Mrs. Winnie Baker was a visitor of Blanche Cliff Wednesday and Thursday, dividing her time between Miss Cliff, Edna Schultz and Blanche Carr.

Stuart McArthur of Alexandria, Va., was a Monday visitor of his father, Leon McArthur. He left Tuesday. He was in Michigan to attend the graduation of Stuart, Jr., from Western State University at Kalamazoo.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Smith attended graduation exercises for their grandson, David Smith, at Wolverine, Friday evening. An Open House was held for him after the graduation. He will attend college at Ferris.

Mr. and Mrs. Gale Brien of Shepherd were Saturday evening callers of his mother, Mrs. Nina Forbes. Mrs. Russell Wilson and Mrs. Pat Hathaway and Mrs. Forbes attended at a party at the home of Mrs. Kit Johnson Friday afternoon.

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Lena Cole, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Levi Brown and Randy are camping at Littlefield Lake.

Mrs. Charlotte Hart and granddaughter, Cathy Shaner, called on the Paul Coles Friday. Sunday breakfast guests of Mrs. Hart were Mr. and Mrs. Allen Shaner and daughter and Mrs. Donna Curtis.

Mr. and Mrs. Lane Chapman and Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Cook and Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Chapman went to Grand Rapids Sunday, to attend the funeral of their grandmother, Mrs. Doty, on Monday.

Tony Mananace is at his farm. Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Cole of Detroit are spending a few days at their farm. Adolph Stava of Detroit called on the Hugh Douglasses, the Roy Donleys, the Paul Coles, and Bert Estes, Sunday.

There will be a family gathering Sunday, June 14, at the cottage of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Ewing at Littlefield Lake. Walter is expected home from camp in Mississippi.

Mr. and Mrs. Levi Brown called on her cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Cole, Saturday evening. Sunday dinner guests of the Coles were Dan Kripa and Danny and Steve and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Mahon and daughter.

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Coldwater Lake

Marjorie Schafer, Reporter

Hi:

Hope everyone is fine this week.

Dad (Tony) Schafer wasn't feeling too good this weekend. He was taken to CMC Hospital Sunday evening. Reports were Monday he was feeling better. Mother (Tillie) Schafer is staying with son Walter in Mt. Pleasant.

Linda Simmer spent two days last week with Grandma Lorenz, helping her.

Happy Belated Birthday to Loretta Lorenz, who celebrated her birthday (June 5) this past week. Her daughter, Lou Theisen, and family, son Bill and family of Mt. Pleasant, and son Ron and family had supper with her. Other guests were Marge Straus, John Sheppard, Max Straus and family, and the Paul Simmers' children.

Paul and Rose Simmer returned from their Canadian trip Saturday.

Wednesday evening Bob and Renelda Klumpp, and Ed and I, went to Farwell to see our mother, Mable Klumpp. She was fine.

Friday evening we four attended a reception for Pamela Schafer, daughter of Norm and Viola Schafer, who graduated from the Shepherd High School. Others from this area attending included John and Gertie Schafer, Louise Schafer, Fran and Theresa

Schafer, and Everett and Betty Schafer.

Pamela's mother, Viola, received her high school diploma Saturday night. She attended night school this past year.

Kate Martin spent an afternoon with Loretta Lorenz one day last week. Flo Haupt spent Sunday afternoon with her.

Alvie and Mildred Haynes returned to Michigan from California and have been staying with their daughter and family, Don and Judy Schafer.

Vic Eismann moved into his mobile home Friday, on his lot next to Don Schafer's.

Until next week, Marge

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BRINTON PIECE READ AT HISTORICAL MUSEUM

The following piece on Brinton was read at a meeting at the Big Rapids Historical Museum last week. It was given the historical society for the occasion by Mrs. Ruth Blesch of Barryton, and is a treasured relic in her collection.

Attending the meeting were Mrs. Blesch and daughter, Jo Alkofer, and Mrs. Ethel Soper, all of Barryton. Mrs. Soper is a charter member of the historical society. She and Mrs. Benedict of Chippewa Lake were on the refreshment committee for last week's meeting.

Jo Alkofer told the audience about John Fitch in the old days of Brinton, and how he had a casket made especially for him so he could lie on his side in his grave.

Here's the piece as presented: "BRINTON, HERE I COME!"

By Mrs. Edith Kennedy

Hello, Brinton, here I come!

Oh yes, I remember when Brinton was much larger and had two churches, a hotel, a saloon, a Maccabee Hall, and IOOF Hall; a meat market, post office, several stores, and perhaps a hundred families.

Any direction you went were saw mills and lumber camps, and there were several coal kilns (charcoal) that made coal from the hardwood off the lands, and a railroad came in from Saginaw to haul out the coal.

There was John Fitch's blacksmith shop, Sherm Morse's harness shop, the Cora Beers milliner store (and did Al Beers have a barbershop chair?).

Susan Hotchkiss made home-baked goods of all kinds for sale, and Mary Jane Hammond and Aunt Kate Sowle were the midwives who helped bring lots of little folks to Brinton, and the country, too.

Mr. Vander Griff was mail carrier from Lake, and carried passengers, too, in the mail coach.

The first IOOF Hall burned down and Seth Daly lost his life in the fire.

Sometimes July Fourth Brinton celebrated with a parade of Civil War vets: Dad Fields, Bill Jones, Martin Ryerson, Mr. Lawrence, Dr. Frye, and a few others; and

of course, a dance to end the day.

A good many oyster suppers and masquerade dances were held in the IOOF Hall, and drew large crowds who had good times.

In most of the stores you could get clothing, nails, spikes, axes, saws, tarpaper, and of course salt pork; bacon, bar soap and flour, molasses by the gallon, and kerosene, tobacco and cigars (no cigarets), and a few medicines such as salts and sulphur.

The first newspaper I remember was the Saginaw Courier, and I coaxed my dad to subscribe for it so I could have something besides the Almanac to read. I learned my ABCs and primer in the White School, with Ernest Tanner as my teacher. My First Reader I learned in the Brinton School. John J. Morey was my teacher there, then the Case School, but I finished up in the Conley School, and got married in 1900.

Local Items

Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Embrey and Mr. and Mrs. James Ludwick of Mt. Pleasant attended Open House for Mitchell Geasler Sunday, at the home of his sister, Mrs. Gordon Fosburg. Many old friends, and relatives, gathered to honor Mitch.

James Kurtz and daughter of Duluth, Minn., spent the week-end with his folks, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Goodrich. Harry Kurtz and wife spent Sunday with them. Mr. and Mrs. Larry Egbert were also guests. Harold See of Lansing was a caller.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Louisell attended an Open House party Sunday for Jacqueline Handy, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Handy, at Harrison. She was a graduate of the Harrison High School.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Middlesworth returned last week from their winter home in Florida.

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