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Editor's

Column

By Connie MORE TIPS ON

HOUSEHOLD HELPS So we bought a spray can of rug and carpet cleaner, and we asked Minnie Reed if she'd try it on our bathroom carpet, which

is blue, and looked dingy. Minnie said she'd try it, but that a furniture-store man who sells rugs and carpets said the best way to clean 'em is to use a solution of white vinegar and water, period.

True, you have to get down on the haunches and wash it, and if your carpet covers a 15x20foot room, that's quite an expanse on hands and knees.

On the other hand, the commercially-advertised rug cleaners involve vacuum-cleaning first (you do that too, in the vinegar-water deal), then put on spray from can, let dry, then go over it with damp mop, then vacuum-clean again.

Which sounds to us like about as much work as a one-step, oldfashioned, now-it's-done routine.

Minnie used vinegar and water on our bathroom carpet, and-it works!

PEOPLE ATE LOTS OF "WEEDS" BACK IN THE OLD DAYS

We learn that back in the old days people ate various plants that now are considered weeds and nothing but nuisances.

Emily Wood called us Saturday morning to tell us about cooking and eating milkweed in spring, when it's sprouting up, "like asparagus, which it tastes like".

Emily said she was raised on milkweed, creamed, like asparagus; and also "pigweed", or lamb's quarters or "red root", and also purslane, or pusley, as our family always called it.

Pusley is the worst spreader in the garden, and we have a bumper crop of it.

Emily said she loves pusley greens, and has a batch of it in her freezer, for winter enjoyment.

Cook it same as spinach, she said, and she uses just salt, pepper and butter or oleo as dressing.

Emily said she has fed thrashers



BEAL CITY, IN THE YEARS BETWEEN 1907 AND 1909--Showing the roof of the old parochial school with its bell tower, and what there was of the village at that time. Note the stock fences around the residences--people kept livestock in their back yards, in those days (those days may be coming back!) and every home had its fence to keep animals properly confined. Beal City was founded in 1875, and patriotic citizens of that area are preparing for a centennial celebration in two years from now. Hopefully, Weidman will be included in their area, and we will put on some kind of homecoming celebration. Old photo loaned the Messenger by Claribel Beutler.

FLOWER FAMILY REUNION HELD SUNDAY HERE

The annual Flower family reunion was held Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. David Flower in Weidman.

Twenty-two family members enjoyed the day, with a potluck dinner and a day of family visiting.

The next reunion for the Flowwer family will be held at the same place, on the first Sunday in August.

Area folks are enjoying the best vegetable gardens they've had in years.

with milkweed, creamed. "Once I served a big bowl of it," she related, "and the men cleaned the bowl right out. One of them asked what it was, and I told them it was milkweed. And then one said, 'Imagine feeding weeds to us!' But they ate the whole thing," Emily said.

**** Best-looking vegetable gardens we've seen are those of Fred Wilcox and Don Smith. Most beautiful flowers and lawns, Bill and Vada Louisell's.

VANDALISM AT LOCAL PARK GOES ON

Vandals are continuing their usual destruction at Mitchell Memorial Park as the Weidman Business Association and the Weidman Lions Club work to create facilities for the enjoyment of the public.

About \$30 worth of cement blocks have been broken deliberately, according to a spokesman for the WBA.

The park at Weidman was created and is improved and maintained for the enjoyment of the public.

Destruction of the pavilion, its fireplace, and other improvements at the park has been going on for years, with county law agencies professing total inability to stop it.

Someone must surely see or hear things going on at the park at night. If someone only would report these things at the time, perhaps some of the culprits could be caught and punished. That's the only thing they understand, apparently. Appeals to their decency have not prevailed in the past. There is no reason to believe they will be DIRECTOR OF HEALTH OCCUPATIONS APPOINTED AT MID MICHIGAN COLLEGE

The Mid Michigan Community College board of trustees recently appointed Mrs. Mary Ann Slaggert to fill a position as director of health occupations for the coming year.

coming year. Mrs. Slaggert, a highly qualified person for the job, will be responsible for the direction of all health programs offered at the college, as well as developing new programs to be offered in the future.

The entire health occupations field is growing rapidly, and new courses and programs are being developed each year to keep pace with the demand for trained personnel in these areas.

Currently Mid Michigan College offers programs in practical nursing, health occupation assistant, medical emergency technician, medical secretary, and mental health technician.

Mrs. Maurice Wager of rural Remus spent Saturday morning with Mrs. Ethel Wager.

of effect now.



One hundred and ten people enjoyed the day Sunday, helping Mr. and Mrs. Mack Denslow celebrate their 55th wedding anniversary. Guests were present from Detroit, Flint, Saginaw, Mt. Pleasant, Grand Rapids, Muskegon, Boyne City, Manton, Ludington, and around the neighborhood.

Mrs. Opal Denslow returned home from Rochester, Minn. last Tuesday, where her daughter underwent surgery. Mrs. Dunn's daughter, Sue Ann, stay-ed with her and brought her home Friday by jet plane.

Mrs. Eva Denslow attended the party at Mack Denslow's Sunday.

The Benn Johnson family attended the 52nd Johnson reunion Sunday at Mt. Pleasant.

Mrs. Florence Neeland and lady friend called on Frank Benn Sunday.

Mrs. Flora Wood and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Thompson and Bill attended the reunion at Mack Denslow's Sunday. Bob Thompson attended a reunion in Lansing Sunday.

Newlyweds Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Aldrich were Sunday din-ner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wil-bur Wright. Kate Smith was also a guest. Mr. and Mrs. Norman Miller and son, Rick, of Clarkston were Saturday evening visitors. James Wright of Clarkover the weekend. Albert Geasler, Norman Geas-ler, Bob Worth, Stanley Blod-gett and Aaron Blackmer helped Ben Blackmer get his wheat in.

Mr. and Mrs. George Cornell and family of Gladwin visited his brother-in-law and sister, the Norman Geaslers, Sunday.

Miss Bobette Worth visited a girl friend in Harrison Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Albert Geasler and Mr. and Mrs. Norman Geasler and boys helped Robert Worth celebrate his birthday Sun-

day evening. Miss Lynn Worth played in the parade band at the Barryton celebration Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Mahon went huckleberrying Sunday, with much success.

Paul Cole remains on the mend since his recent surgery.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ewing came Saturday and got their daughter, Carol, who spent several days helping her grandparents, the Paul Coles.

Yours Truly is much better, after a bout with neuritis in her foot last weekend, and Monday and Tuesday suffering from high sugar. Our telephone is better,

too, after being out a week. Mr. and Mrs. Julius Allbee vis-

ited her brother-in-law and sister, the Paul Coles, Sunday eve-



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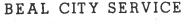
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are back to July dates. We trust you, if you just want a little more time to pay. We put a blue-pencil mark around the date of your subscription's expiration, to get your attendtion

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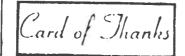
LOUIS E. WINN Louis E. Winn of Cupertino, Calif., a former Broomfield resident, passed away July 11, of a stroke and heart attack. He was 62.

Funeral services were held July 14, with interment at Oak Hill Memorial Park in San Jose, Calif.

He was a member of Loyal Order of Moose Lodge, Sunnyvale; a veteran of World War II, and was a member of the Lutheran faith.

He was raised as a youngster by the family of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Heins of Broomfield and their daughter, Mrs. Albertha Strong. Later he moved to California and worked for a moving company in San Jose. He and his wife lived in Cuper-tino, Calif., for the past 21 years, and enjoyed a lovely home life there.

He is survived by his loving wife, Rosalie K. Winn, of Cupertino; two daughters, Mrs. June Mangold of San Jose, and Mrs. Joyce Sinken of Cupertino; and four grandchildren. Louis and Rosalie have very many friends here, and we all offer our deepest sympathy. ---0--



I want to take this opportunity to thank the many friends who were so kind and considerate to me while in the hospital.

Thanks for the many gifts and the greatest gift of all, your valued visits. Also for the con-sideration shown my family by giving them transportation to and from the hospital. To mention anyone in particular would be an injustice to the many, so I'll just say a sincere thank you from the bottom of my heart.

Paul Cole

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Valo of Lansing spent Friday with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Goodrich. Mr. and Mrs. Michael Knipfer and two girls of Clear Lake spent Friday at the Goodrich home.

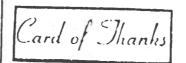
Land of Thanks

The family of Mrs. Margaret Verwey would like to take this opportunity to express our thanks and appreciation to all the friends and neighbors who contributed in the time of our misfortune, and especially Father Stephen Vesbit, Father John Thome, Doctor Nowicki, the Women of the Moose, the Altar Society, Catholic Daugh-ters, the VFW Auxiliary, and the American Legion Auxiliary.

May God bless you all for your generosity and kindness. Mr. Andrew Verwey

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Fitzpatrick and Family Mr. and Mrs. John Verwey and Family Mr. and Mrs. Marinus Ver-

wey and Family Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Verwey and Family



I want to thank all my relatives, friends and neighbors for the nice birthday calls, gifts and visits.

My 91st birthday was a lovely day. Thank you all.

Louise Smith

Local Items

Mrs. Ina Campbell of Mt. Pleasant, formerly of Barryton, and her grandson, Michael Remortel, of the University of Notre Dame, and his girl friend, Miss Narumi Takahashi, of Tokyo, were Sunday afternoon visitors of Connie Skinner. Mrs. Campbell has taken up residence in a trailer park in Mt. Pleasant, after the death of her hus-band, Colin Campbell. Her grandson graduated last Friday with an A.B. degree from Notre Dame, and is in journalism work, employed at present by the South Bend Tribune, on sports writing. He will go to Tokyo in October, to begin attendance at the university there. He is on a year and a half fellowship grant at the university in Japan.

Mrs. Evabelle Busick of Remus, Mrs. Charlene Eldred and children of Tennessee and Mrs. Pomeroy of Remus were visitors of Mrs. Emily Wood during the past week. Guy Thompson and two sons of Manton were visitors. Mrs. Norma McCarey of Boyne City was a weekend visitor.

HOME PAPER FOR THE WEST HALF OF ISABELLA COUNTY

the Churches

WEIDMAN BAPTIST CHURCH (1 mile west of Weidman) Pastor: Marvin Eldridge, phone 644-3504:

- Sunday School, 10 a.m. Morning Service, 11 a.m. Evening Service, 7.30 p.m.
- Prayer Meeting (Wednesday), 7.30 p.m.
- Choir practice (Thursday), 6.30 p.m.

The pastor and a group of boys spent a week at Bible camp, July 30 to Aug. 3. Al-though it rained every day, the schedule was full of blessing.

Bible School Aug. 13-17, 9 to 11.30 a.m.

Bible School program Friday, 7.30 p.m.

WEIDMAN UNITED METHODIST Rev. Athel J. Lynch, Pastor Office phone 644-3336, parsonage 644-3441.

Church School, 10 a.m. Worship, 11.15 a.m.

Sharing and Bible Study on

Thursday, 7.30 p.m. U.M.W. meetings first and

third Thursday, 3 p.m.

Methodist Men meetings fourth Saturday, 6.30 p.m.

The Weidman United Methodist Church will hold its annual auction sale and bazaar and bake sale this Saturday, Aug.

11. The bazaar and bake sale will start at 10 a.m.

Lunch will be served at noon, with the auction sale beginning at 1 p.m.

All activities will be held in the church parking lot.

We will have a good variety of articles for sale, and we hope to have a good crowd.

If you have any articles you would like to contribute to the sale, just bring them along and we will appreciate it.

Don't forget the date: This week Saturday, Aug. 11.

WEIDMAN CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

Rev. John A. Wright, Minister Phone 644-3604 Sunday School, 10 a.m. Morning Worship, 10 a.m. Choir practice 6.30 p.m. Evening Service, 7.30 p.m. Prayer Service, Wednesday, 7.30 p.m.

ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH Broomfield: Located six miles south of Weidman on Coldwater Road.

Rev. Edwin Schmelzer, Pastor. Sunday School, 9.15 a.m. Worship Service, 10.45 a.m. Ladies' Aid meets on second Wednesday of each month.

Mr.and Mrs. Clayton Smith en-joyed picking wild huckleberries near Temple last Thursday. They report a tremendous crop of big, delicious fruit, in the area from Clare County on north,



WHO ARE THEY?-- The above old photo was given the Clyde Beutlers long ago by Dr. McRae, after his retirement in Detroit. Dr. McRae started practice in Two Rivers, and later had an office in Beal City. Apparently twins, the babies have not been identified so far by local people.

Photo loaned the Messenger by Claribel Beutler.

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BEAL CITY SENIOR CITIZENS HAVE 17 1/2 TABLES IN PLAY At the regular card party at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Beal City last week Thursday, there were 17 1/2 tables of pepper in play.

Coletta Gross w on first prize for the ladies, with Matie Pung second. Sue Neal won low.

Henry Schafer won first for the men, with Wm. Lawens second. Floyd Dutcher won low.

Joe Keiffer won the pepper prize. Herman Grinzinger won the door prize.

The committee served refreshments of assorted donuts and coffee.

The next card party at the K. of C. Hall in Beal City will be Thursday afternoon, Aug. 16. Everyone is invited to attend. --0--

In the Editor's Mail

July 22

Dear Connie: Subscription time again. Late again, as usual. I've had the money order for a few days, but wanted to send a line along.

Thanks for the papers. Three have left the state already, to California, Arizona and Pennsylvania. More will be going to California and Pennsylvania, and also to Florida, and to friends in other cities here in Michigan.

I thought we might get up to Weidmam, but I don't know. We don't go very far away these days.

Day by day we are growing older, and the best place to be is home.

We've had a few hot days, but it hasn't been too bad back here in these trees. The mosquitoes are our worst enemy.

Everything was too wet for a while, but now it is dried out and the fields could use some rain again.

The people who bought my Sanford home visited us this afternoon. She was raised not too many miles from here, so knows many people in this area, and you might guess we about talked a mile a minute. They lived at Sanford before we moved there, so they know that place pretty well, too.

I am working on my scrap books again. Got behind, and it is quite interesting, running across items I had forgotten about.

Last Sunday Eldon and Violet Love of Mt. Pleasant called on us, and of course we reminisced, too.

I'm glad you had a good vacation, but I bet it wasn't near long enough.

This time last year I was in Pittsburgh, and can still remember how hot and humid it was.

Guess this is enough for one time. Once I get started I just ramble on. Hello to Frances. Enjoyed her note. Best wishes from Helen Hudson, Midland.

DRAFT'S OVER, BUT 18-YEAR-OLDS MUST REGISTER Though officially the drafting of young men is over, those reaching the age of 18 still mus register with their local draft boards, according to word from Selective Service.

"Failure to register is a violation of the law," said Arthur A. Holmes, state director of Selective Service. Approximately 85,000 young men will be subject to draft registration this year in Michigan, he said.

While the President's authority to induct men into military service expired July 1 this year, all other provisions of the Selective Service Act remain in force.

The annual lottery will be held. Young men must continue to register. Local boards will classify them as to their availability for possible military ser vice in the event of a national emergency.

The law requires that all malpersons must register with Selective Service with the 60-day period commencing 30 days prior to their 18th birthdays.

Under the law, young men sti have three obligations: They must register at age 18; they must notify their draft boards when they change addresses, and they must carry their draft card with them until their liability ends, which for most men toda is age 26.

The draft board in this area is located in Mt. Pleasant.

Cheryl Pitts of Lansing spent the weekend at her home here.

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Dora Smith, Reporter ANDRES REUNION ATTENDED

BY 180 FAMILY MEMBERS The Andres family reunion was held Sunday, Aug. 5, at the Beal City Knights of Columbus Hall, with 180 people in attendance.

All enjoyed the beautiful day, and a sumptuous dinner. A hundred and eighty people had a wonderful time.

Family members were present from West Bend, Wisc., De-troit, Dearborn, Warren, Berk-ley, Northville, Jackson, Flushing, Grand Rapids, Rockford, Cedar Springs, Big Rapids, Paris, Reed City, Saginaw, Tra-verse City, Mt. Pleasant, and Beal City.

Mrs. Joe Gruss entertianed company Friday.

Loretta Fox of Detroit spent a few days with her mother, Mrs Clara Fox.

Bernard Gross and family left Friday for Bradenton, Florida, where they will make their home

Mrs. Frank Zuker entertained her son and wife from Tennessee the past week.

Mrs. Margaret Judge of Winn spent Sunday with her mother, Mrs. Clara Fox.

Mrs. Louise Schafer spent Sunday with Mrs. Orelda Farnier. Mrs. Tony Schafer spent Sun-

day at the Ed Schafer home. Mr. and Mrs. Francis Schafer

went to Ann Arbor Sunday to visit their son, Douglas, at St. Joseph's Hospital.

Sister Magdalene Sophia and Sister John Baptist of Grand Rapids are visiting relatives around

Beal City this week. Donald Pung sprained his ankle last week and was unable to work for a few days.

Mrs. Al Klumpp went to Midland Wednesday for a physical checkup.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Schafer and family spent the past week vacationing in Ontonagon.

Mrs. Herman Grinzinger, Mrs. Gertrude Gross and Mrs. Margie Rau went huckleberrying at Moody's farm Friday, and got a nice lot.

Larry Rau bought his Grandma's deep freeze and took it home

with him Saturday. Members of the Beal City Business Association had their party at the Art Tilmann cottage on Coldwater Lake Sunday afternoon. A sumptuous dinner was enjoyed, and a business meeting. Everyone enoyed the day.

Regina Faber called on Louise Smith and Tillie Schafer Tuesday morning.

Larry, Sheila and Renee Rau called on Grandma Smith Tuesday evening, also Billy Trow-bridge. Friday callers were Mrs. George Dole and daughter, Catherine, of Birch Run, Sister

Magdelene Sofia and Sister John Baptist, Tillie and Louise Scha-fer, and Sheila and Renee Rau. Gertrude Gross and Viola Engler called on Coletta Gross Fri-

day evening. Mike and Coletta Gross played cards with the Ernest Pohls Saturday evening.

Mrs. Wm. Jones and Josephine Bengal called on Mr. and Mrs. Frank Schafer and family Wednesday, and also Jackie Jones.

Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Smith and family of Lansing spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Ed Blasen and family. ---0--

Coldwater Lake Marjorie Schafer, Reporter

A week ago Clarence and Loretta Lorenz took Kate Martin and Mary Jacobs of George Lake to Upper Michigan, at Indian Lake, where they spent from Thursday till Sunday. Clarence and Lois Ritter joined them Friday evening.

Thursday afternoon Florence Decker and Dorothy Breuer called on Loretta Lorenz.

Friday afternoon Clarence and Loretta Lorenz called on the Harold Vitch family at Six Lakes.

Thursday evening Don and Judy Schafer and daughter, Heather, called on us. We enjoyed a few games of cards.

Josette Schafer spent a few days last week with Grandma Havnes.

Friday evening Jerry and Jane Schafer and children and Grandpa (Will) and Grandma Whitney of Rosebush called on us.

Bill and Lynn Schafer attended a pig roast on the Miller farm near Leaton Saturday evening. Lynn Schafer's sister and family, Bill and Angela Best and daughter, of Florida, are visiting relatives here and in Mt.

Pleasant this week. They arrived Friday evening. Clarence and Lorenta Lorenz

had supper with Leona Perrin on the north side of the lake Sunday evening.

Max and Vera Straus and girls called at the Lorenz home Saturday evening. Ron and Tresa Lorenz and children called Sunday afternoon.

We had Tillie Schafer here Sunday to spend the day with us. Other visitors were Jerry and Jane Schafer and children, Sandy Pingatore, and Leo and Lucille Schafer.

The Floyd Hauck family are spending this week at the Ernest Gross cottage. The Ragolt Haucks were their guests Sunday evening at supper. The Leo Schafers were Monday evening supper guests.

Flo Haupt had surgery last week. ---0---

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Two Rivers

Blanche Carr, Reporter Ray Flaugher was admitted to Ford Hospital again Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Maxon were Sunday guests of Mrs. Flaugher. Minnie was a guest of her sister, Laura Latham, Thursday. Mr. and Mrs. Russell Flaugher and family visited his mother and father Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Hogg and family were Sunday visitors of the Robert Hineses. Mrs. Vida Lueder was a Friday evening guest.

Mr. and Mrs. George Dodge of Owosso were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Cook. Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Bingham are visiting the Cooks and Roderick Nicholson this week.

The Charles Cook family had their family reunion Sunday at Wyman.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Lieder spent Friday evening with Mrs. E.R. Rhode and Harold.

Last Thursday afternoon Florence Decker and Mrs. Dorothy Breuer of Winn visited Mrs. Kate Martin. Mrs. George Herdlein was an evening visitor. Friday Kate spent the day with the John Schupbachs. Other weekend visitors at the Martin home were Mrs. Betty Jo Martin and Mike Grewett, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Vanderbrook of Mt.

Clemens, Ruby Schppbach, and Mrs. Philip Meade and daughters.

Mr. and Mrs. Adam Majewski of Detroit brought Connie Foster home Friday, and visited at the home of Mrs. Choice Foster.

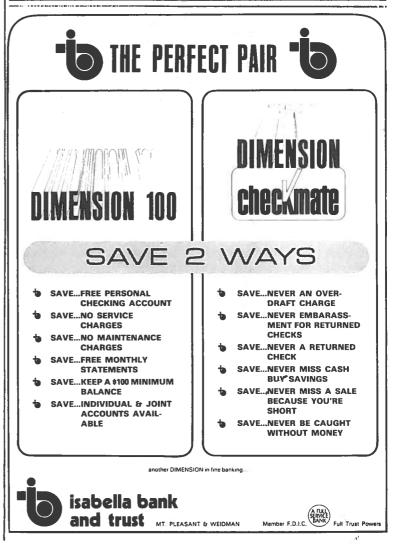
Mr. and Mrs. Harold Krueger and family were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Singleton Moses and family at Hannah Lake, and visited Mr. and Mrs. Walter Nelson at Clifford Lake.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Caukins of Secord Lake were Tuesday visitors of Mrs. Nettie Crowley and Jay Leinaar. Other callers were Mrs. Bob Cook and Mrs. Paul Lueder.

Blanche Carr spent from Sunday till Friday last week with the Norman Carrs of Merrill and the Doyle Planks of rural Wheeler, and visited with the Dalton Carrs also.

Mrs. E. R. Rhode and Harold spent Tuesday evening with Mrs. Rhode's nephew and family, the Carl Cooks. He was recovering from surgery. They spent Thursday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Emil Lueder at Coldwater Lake.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Allen of Lake Isabella returned home the weekend after showing a pair of their beautiful horses at a fair. The Allens have Percherons and Belgians, and the big horses are marvels of beauty.





TAKEN IN ABOUT 1927 OR 28, in the old parking lot back of Drallette's Store, " is Mae (Wolfe) Cotes' notation on th: photo. "The man lived lived north of Weidman, but I don't remember his name."

Local Items

Mr. and Mrs. Mark Johnston were recent callers of Mrs. Claribel Beutler. They closed a successful month of day camp at Coldwater Lake, where he was camp supervisor for the children. They left Friday evening for Beverly, Ky. They will both teach at the Red Bird Mission School there. Saturday they flew to Kansas City for orientation of the program, now under the direction of the United Methodist Churches.

Mrs. Wayne Smith and Susie and Bobby of Wolverine spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Smith. They also attended two family reunions, one at Barryton and one at the Chippewa Hills High School. David Smith of Lansing also visited the Smiths, and attended the reunions. Late Sunday afternoon

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callers were Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Cole of Barryton, Mrs. Barbara Block and baby, and Colleen Clark. Mrs. Norma Mc-Carey of Boyne City was also a caller on her way to the reunion at the Mack Denslow home.

Fred Spencer of Florida and Mildred Smith of Blanchard, his sister, formerly of Gilmore, were visiting in the neighborhood last Thursday. They called on the Paul Coles while here, and reported that their brother, Almon Spencer, was quite ill in the Lakeview Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Gary McArthur attended her class reunion at Falsetta's in Mt. Pleasant Saturday evening. It was her graduating class from Sacred Heart Academy.

Ula Cummins attended the Denslow picnic Sunday, at the Mack Denslow home at Horr. She also attended the Barryton celebration Saturday evening.

Flora Wood and Verlia Wilcox were callers of Helen Smith during last week.

Mrs. Claribel Beutler and Mr. and Mrs. Howard Beutler spent Sunday afternoon at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Beutler. Their daughter, Annette, arrived Saturday evening from California, where she spent several weeks with the Tom Hansens near San Francisco. She made the trip by plane.

We've had a wonderful summer so far as rain for lawns and gardens were concerned, but

Thursday, August 9, 1973 by the middle of this week we

Were hoping for more. Mrs. Bessie Teall is back in Weidman, living in a trailer home on her place on First Street.

Mr. and Mrs. Emil Phillips spent last Tuesday at Edenville, visiting Mr. and Mrs. Roy Crosby. They were in Sanford Saturday morning. Mrs. Phillips went to Remus Friday with Nellie Phillips. They went huckleberrying at Harrison with Nellie Phillips. They attended the Harrison Fair with the Lloy Sperrys Friday evening. Jerry Sperry and wife and two children of Florida were Saturday visitors at the Phillips home. Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Valentine of Averill were Sunday guests.

Mr. and Mrs. R.D. Sprague and Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Sprague Sprague and girls returned Sunday after enjoyng 11 days of camping at Tubbs Lake.

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North Weidman Elvah Gott, Reporter

WEDDING RECEPTION AT THE JOE PTAKS

Mrs. Debra Atyeo and Michael Wood of Royal Oak were united in marriage Saturday, Aug. 4, at 2 p.m. in Christ the King Lutheran Chapel in Mt. Pleasant.

Her maid of honor was her sister, Denise Ptak. Bill Coffman was best man. Both are from Royal Oak.

Ushers were Dave Stafford and Brian Ptak.

Her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ptak of Lake Weidman, hosted a small reception for the wedding guests numbering about 50, at their home.

The happy couple left for a trip to the Upper Peninsula. They will make their home in Warren, Mich.

Relatives and friends were present from Taylor, Warren, Hazel Park, Royal Oak, Roches-ter, N.Y. and Ports Fully ter, N.Y., and Boyne Falls, Mich.

Mrs. Viola Ingalls and son and Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Nabors of Evart called at the Ptak home Sunday. Mrs. Ptak's parents have been spending some time with them. Mr. and Mrs. Leo Burley of Hazel Park returned Monday after a visit with the Ptak family.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Williams of Gilmore called on Mr. and Mrs. Ed Olger Tuesday. Mrs. Carl Williams and daughter called Saturday, and took them some huckleberries. Mrs. Betty Williams and sister called Friday. Dewey Allbee came over Fri-day and brought her sister, Myr-tle Decker, for a few days' stay. Mr. and Mrs. Dale Letson and

daughter, Pam, and Mrs. Sid-ney Wood called on Mr.and Mrs. Ed Olger Friday.

The family of James Kennedy met and enjoyed a pot-luck dinner at the Lois Knollenberg home in Rosebush Sunday afternoon. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. Tom Kennedy and children, Mr. and Mrs. Duane Chapman and children, Mrs. Muriel Miller and family, Mr. and Mrs. Micky Abbott and boys, and Mr. and Mrs. Dean

Chapman and family. Mr. and Mrs. Jim Abbott and Shawn spent the weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Nor-man Abbott. Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Ball and daughter, Carol, of Charlotte, called, and they all enjoyed a picnic dinner at Bar-ryton Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Smith and family of Ypsilanti spent last week at their cottage at Skeels. They visited relatives in and around Weidman Friday. They met Bob's sister, Helen Alwood, at Pleasant Manor in Mt. Pleasant to visit their mother, Hermione Smith, and took her out

for ice cream and a ride. Cathy Alwood attended a birthday party and stayed over night with Gwen Fairchild last Tuesday. Gwen stayed over night with Cathy Sunday.

Mrs. Helen Alwood and Mrs. Rolla Beldon of Barryton attended a retirement party at the Mt. Pleasant State Home last Tuesday afternoon for several retirees.

Helen called at the John Mc-Donald home Sunday afternoon, and visited Mr. and Mrs. Isadore Schafer and Rosie and Catherine's two sisters.

Helen entered CMC Hospital Tuesday for minor surgery Wednesday.

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(Editor's Note: We point out that the following Real Estate Transfers do not necessarily mean recent sales. The Register of Deeds gives out for publication only warranty deeds on record; which can mean a land-contract finally paid up several years after purchase. The Real Estate Transfers are of interest, however, as they are the only source of information on the movement of land ownership in the county.)

John A. Thering and wife to Russell D. Stowers and Kathleen S., Lot 42, Hyslop's Cold-water Lake Add. No. 3, Not-tawa. Pt. Govt. Lots 2, 3, of Sec. 30.

Donald R. Tice and wife to Arnold A. Emmendorfer and wife, pt. n 1/2 ne sec. 30, Coldwater.

Norval K. Morey and wife to Joseph E. Theisen and wife, pt. 2 1/2 sw sec. 27, Deerfield. Ojibwa Development Corp. to Richard A. Pufall and wife,

Lot 400, Ojibwa Recreaction Area No. 6, Sherman. Maxel V. Gray and wife to John R. Green, se se; e 1/2 sw

sec. 33, Coldwater. Dean A. Brown and wife to Kenneth A. Hausker and wife, s 1/2 nw sw sec. 14, Coldwater. Eugene Knight to H. Benjamin Loseth and wife, Lot 5, n 1/2 Lot 6, Rivercrest Sub., Deer-

field. Blanche Carr to Ernest T. Kennedy and wife, sw nw sec. 6, Deerfield.

Ronald S. Swarthout and wife to Lake Isabella Corp. Lot 201, Lake Isabella Plat No. 3, Sherman. Bernard T. Gross and wife to Lane E. Chapman and wife, pt. se ne sec. 19, Nottawa.

Gerald L. Holmes and wife to Chester Lukaszewski and wife, pt. s 1/2 sw sec. 30, Broomfield.

Albert Geasler and wife to

Robert Worth and wife, pt. w 1/2 se sec. 24, Coldwater. Marion O. Johnson and wife to Charles A. Purtill and wife, pt. s 1/2 nw sec. 15, Deer-

field. Fred C. Goodell et al to Daniel W. Brodbeck and wife et al, Lots 35, 36, Coldwater Lake Shores, Nottawa.

Thomas J. Murphy and wife to William F. Thornton and wife, pt. se se sec. 25, Deer-field. --0--

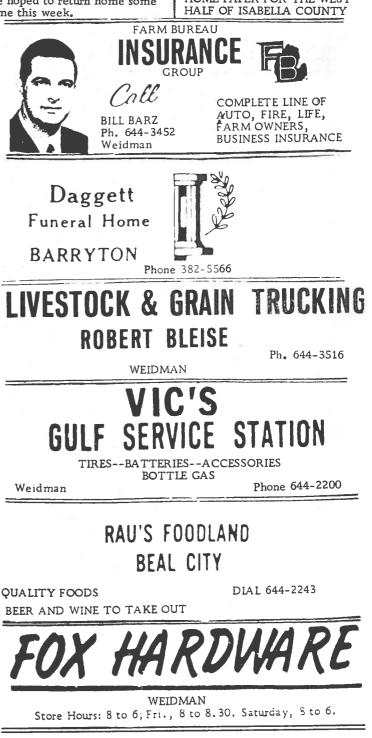
Alton Allen was still in CMC Hospital the first of the week. He hoped to return home some time this week.

NEWS NOTES

Mrs. Lillie Dennis of Mecosta was a Monday caller of her sister, Mrs. Verlia Wilcox. Mrs. Wilcox spent Sunday afternoon with her sister in Mecosta. Jean Brew of Comstock Park was a Sunday dinner guest of her uncle and aunt, Don Clark and Lela Whearett.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Embrey attended the family reunion at the Mack Denslow home in Horr Sunday. They called on Bessie Price in Mt. Pleasant in the evening.

HOME PAPER FOR THE WEST



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BARBARA SUE BAKER Mr. and Mrs. Charles Junior Baker of 6101 West Main Street, Weidman, announce the engagement of their daughter, Barbara Sue, to Michael Al Sprague, son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Sprague of 5969 East Bridge Street, Weidman.

They are both 1971 graduates of Chippewa Hills High School. Michael also attended Ferris State College and Central Michigan University. At present he is in military service, an M.

P. at Fort Riley, Kansas. An Oct. 19 wedding is being planned.

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JOHN FOREST MEETS FRIENDLY FOLKS IN WEST John Forest, who annually spends two weeks' vacation on specially planned trips,

headed for the West this year. He had an extensive itinerary planned, but had to cut it short

when he encountered altitude sickness in the higher Rocky Mountains.

He drove through Iowa, where the corn amazed him with its luxuriant growth and extensive acreage; through Wyoming, planning to visit Yellowstone National Park but suffered illness at Cheyenne, where he turned off the freeway and headed for Sidney, Nebraska. From there he went on to Mt.

Rushmore and viewed the mountain carvings of four presidents; he visited Deadwood, where Wild Bill Hickok was killed, and John toured a gold mine there

At Ellendale, North Dakota, he stopped over night in a rather run-down motel with a friendly proprietor, and after eating, wandered down the street.

He said that Ellendale is a town smaller than Farwell, and there wasn't much in the way of entertainment for a traveler.

But: A couple waved "Hello" to him on the street, and chil-dren hollered gay "Hi's"! as he walked along. "I'd say that town had an at-

mosphere of my being at home far away from home," John far away from home, said. ---0----

In the **Editor's Mail**

COTTER-McCARTHY FAMILY **REUNION IS INTERNATIONAL** EVENT FOR DESCENDANTS July 30

Dear Editor:

The following will be of interest to your readers as several attended the Cotter-McCarthy annual family reunion at Eight Point Lake beginning July 8 and extending to Aug. 1.

A hundred and eighty-two families were represented from all over the United States and Canada, particularly from Michi-gan: Cities of Clare and Isabella Counties, including Mt. Pleasant, Clare, Harrison, Houghton Lake, Shepherd, Weidman, Alma, Grand Rapids, Tawas City, Livonia, Ann Arbor, Detroit, Lansing, East Jordan, Sault Ste. Marie, Jackson, East Tawas, and several others from Seattle and Tacoma, Washing-ton; Niagara Falls, Canada, and Niagara Falls, N. Y., New York City, and Naples, Florida.

Many of the families had never been to Michigan before.

The David Cotter and Timothy McCarthy descendants were invited. The Cotters and McCarthys migrated from Ireland to America in the pre-Revolutionary days.

These families gathered at the summer cottage of the Gerald Cotter families at Eight Point Lake, and the Eight Point Lake Association assisted with arrangements.

Seven generations were repre-sented, the oldest being William Cotter of Portland, Ore. Ages ranged from near 90 to one month. They came by auto, house trailer, train and plane. Family histories were brought up to date, and many from outstate toured various places of interest in Michigan. One half of the states were represented, and three foreign countries, including Canada.

The last of the families left Eight Point Lake July 30. Next year the reunion will be at Provincial Park, Dublin, Ireland, the weekend of July 15, 1974, and will be headed by Adam and Eve.

Gerald Cotter ---0---

Dear Connie:

Please discontinue my mother's subscription (Trifela Kuehn's) because she cannot see well enough to read much any more.

She is in a nursing home about eight miles from here, so I get out to see her about twice a week.

Thank you. Sincerely, Marjorie Dibble 822 W. Washington Greenville, Mich.

<u>IESSENGER</u>	Thursday, August 9, 1973
Dear Connie: Am renewing subscription of Messenger for another year. Hope you live many a year, because we'll miss the paper a lot. And someone who is in't afraid to tell it as it is. Lee Parks Lansing O Connie: Please mark me up (for another year's subscription). I used to live in Weidman, in 1923 to 1928. Long time. I like the old pictures you pub- ish. John Study Route 3, Box 175 Portland, Indiana	Dear Connie: Enclosed please find a check for \$6.00 for another year's sub scription. Enjoyed the bit of history of Coldwater Lake area in the pa- per last week. Sincerely, Daphne Frear 0 Messenger: We would like to renew our Weidman Messenger for another year. We sure have enjoyed it very much. Mrs. Wilfred Martin Mt. Pleasant HOME PAPER FOR THE WEST HALF OF ISABELLA COUNTY
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