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Editor's Column

By Connie

LIBRARY GETS INFORMATION ON ANYTHING--AND FAST

A couple of weeks ago we called the Mt. Pleasant Public Library and told them we'd heard they had a reference source on parent comapnies of all American manufacturers.

Yes, they do have such a source. What companies do you wish information on?

On Ball Mason Corporation and the Kerr Corporation, both makers of canning-jar supplies.

We'd been certain, in our mind, that both companies must have been taken over by Big Steel, Big Rubber, Big Tin, or possibly Saudi Arabia.

The Mt. Pleasant Library, in an amazingly short time, came up with information on both companies.

Both comapnies are independdent, with the Ball outfit owning quite an impressive list of subsidiaries.

The Ball Company owns the following: American Zinc Products Division; Rolled Plate Metal Company; Chardon Rubber Company division; Industrial Rubber Goods Division; Kent Plastics Corporation; Ball Bros. Research Corporation, and Casper's Tin Plate Company.

The Kerr Company's only subsidiary is the Alexander H. Kerr

& Co., Inc.
With all those resources owned
by the parent Ball Company, who's going to tell me that they can't get this or that to make canning-jar lids?
Something's out of whack, and

the housewife or home woman is out of luck.

Latest rumor going around is, "When they get the prices up high enough, there'll be plenty of can lids and supplies. Just like there's plenty of oil now that the price is sky-high." --0---

Mrs. Lucille Smith spent the weekend at the home of her son, Roger, and family, in Flint. Roger took her on a tour of the flood disaster area around Flint.



ENERGY SAVING -- ECOLOGICALLY. That's what Harry Allen and Tim Jackson are doing on the Allen farm south of Lake Isabella. Harry is using a riding plow behind his team of dappled-gray Percherons, while Tim bears down with a walking plow, the two teams and their drivers taking side-by-side furrows around a field that had corn last year.



BEAUTIFUL BROWN, SANDY LOAM--Shows up behind the plows. Oh, yes--and the field had been spread with old-fashioned barnyard manure, from the barn where the horses are kept. These photos were taken Thursday afternoon, before our heavy storms of Friday and Friday night. On the rear bumper of the Allens' farm pickup truck is a sticker reading, "Farming is EVERYBODY'S BREAD AND BUTTER!" This was Tim's first experience in any kind of plowing, to say nothing of a hand-held walking plow. Harry has done plowing with his big horses the past couple of years. Messenger photos

ANNUAL FIREMEN'S AUCTION SET FOR SATURDAY, MAY 3

The very popular annual auction sale put on by the Nottawa-Sherman Volunteer Firemen is scheduled for Saturday night, May 3, at Weaver's Tavern in Weidman, as usual, beginning at 8 p.m.

The Firemen's auction is one of the year's most enjoyed events here, and annually draws overflow crowds.

Articles of every sort, big and little (except clothing) are solicited, and the response always has been terrific.

Anyone having articles to donate, and wish to have them picked up, may call the following telephone numbers:

(They're all on exchange num-

ber 644.) 3507, 2147, 3501, and 3306. These are Firemen's home numbers, and your donation will be promptly taken care of, and greatly appreciated.

Start rummaging in the upstairs or attic (or garage, as many of us do at this time of year). ---0--

FIREMEN CALLED TO GRASS FIRE TUESDAY

The Nottawa and Sherman Volunteer Fire Department answered a call to a grass fire across the road from the Russell Sides place in west Sherman Tuesday morning when a fire got out of control as Fred Krauser burned papers.

Firemen saved the shed on the place, but Krauser suffered a heart attack and was taken to CMC Hospital by ambulance. Firemen administered oxygen with the resuscitator until the ambulance arrived.

No damage to property was reported. ---0--LITTLE LEAGUE SIGNUP IS THIS THURSDAY

Signup for Little League team activities and formations will take place this Thursday evening, April 24, from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Weidman Fire Hall, according to Walter J. Smith. Boys ages 8 through 14 are eli-

gible to play on Little League baseball teams. Youngsters must be eight years old by June 1.

For further information, interested parties may call Whitey McCreight, tel. 772-5008.

Walker Creek News

Mary Loomis, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Louisell, Jr., and family of Grand Haven were weekend guests of their folks, Mr. and Mrs. Pat Dillenbeck. Mr. and Mrs. Art Savage of Mt. Pleasant were Sunday evening visitors.

evening visitors.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Voss
went to Mt. Pleasant Sunday afternoon with Doris and Joe Wilmot to see their son, Danny,
display his new trailer. Mr. and
Mrs. Charles Shanteau were
Sunday evening supper guests at
the Voss home.

Mr. and Mrs. Barry Conley and family, Roger Maeder and Floyd Sowle were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Otis Conley and Terri Brown. The Conleys were Saturd ay evening visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Denslow.

Mrs. Delores Portenga spent Tuesday with her mother, Mrs. Clarence Ley, at White Cloud.

Lyle Denslow was a Sunday evening caller of Mr. and Mrs. Otto Skalitzky.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Loomis and Bessie Loomis were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Loomis and family of New Era.

Mr. and Mrs. Steve Pyratt and family of Big Rapids were Friday overnight guests of his folks, Mr. and Mrs. Crval Reed. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Starks and his mother from Coopersville were Saturday afternoon callers.

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Around Horr Jessie Rosencrantz, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Jud Simons were Saturday guests of the Elwood Millers.

Mr. and Mrs. Sterling Oplinger returned home Tuesday from their winter in Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Dent were Thursday evening guests at the Harold Krueger home, celebrating Brian's sixth birthday. They called on the Otis Conleys Friday evening, and called on her mother Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Smith were Wednesday afternoon callers of the Dents.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Starks and Mrs. Opal Starks were Saturday morning callers of Mrs. Flora Wood. Mr. and Mrs. Vance Wood were Sunday afternoon callers.

Mr. and Mrs. Al Cochran were Sunday afternoon callers of the

Gerald Loseys.

Mr. and Mrs. Mack Denslow spent Tuesday in Grand Rapids with Margie's sister, Mrs. Halla Lovell. They attended the funeral of Jack Wiseman Saturday at White Cloud.

Debbie Scott and a friend from Cadillac brought Mrs. Myrl Scott to the home of Mrs. Nettie Lawrence Saturday. They went on to Mt. Pleasant, where Debbie's friend registered for college. Mrs Scott stayed with Mrs. Lawrence and was a dinner guest. The girls returned and got her later.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Miller called on Mr. and Mrs. Claud Covert

Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Violet Oplinger was a Thursday afternoon caller at the Charlie Losey home. Floyd Dut-

cher and Monroe Beckwith were

Mrs. Opal Denslow and Mrs. Blanche Carr called at the hospital to see Mrs. Eva Denslow Friday afternoon. She was much improved, and was getting around with a walker. She was discharged later. They also called on Mrs. Fannie Hurst, who is improving, and also called on Mrs. Poquette.

BEAL CITY SENIOR CITIZENS HAVE 85 PEOPLE PRESENT

At their regular card party last Thursday afternoon, the Beal City Senior Citizens entertained 85 people, with 21 tables of pepper in play. Lela Whearett won high-score

Lela Whearett won high-score prize for the ladies, with Agnes Sheahan second. Rose Hauck won

low.

Herman Grinzinger won first for the men, with Austin Dent second and Otto Skalitzky low.

Harold Schumacher won the pepper prize. Tillie Zuker drew the door prize.

In honor of Herman Grinzinger's 80th birthday, his children supplied a beautiful birthday cake, which was enjoyed along with sandwiches, pickles and coffee at lunch.

There is no card party at the K, C. Hall this week Thursday, with the next one scheduled for May 1.

Everyone is invited to attend.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Touchinski and two daughters and Mrs. Edith Touchinski visited Mr. and Mrs. Jacques Coons in Coldwater Township Saturday.

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April 17t2

FISH FRY- Beal City Band Parents, April 18, Friday, Beal City High School cafeteria, serving from 5.30 to 8 p.m. Adults \$2.75, children \$1.75, pre schoolers tree. Family

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LEGAL

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, That there will be a public meeting at the Sherman Town-ship Hall next Monday evening, April 28, at 8 o'clock, to consider the reviewing of Lake Isabella's proposed plat for Air Park, in the area of the existing airport at Lake Isabella.

The preliminary plat proposal is for the creation of residential lots in the airport area of the lake development.

KEITH LOOMIS Sherman Twp. Clerk April 24t1

Notice

POWELL REALTY is pleased to announce that Pat Riley, of 5465 West Baseline Road, will be representing them in the Weidman area.

His telephone number is 644-2376.

Please feel free to contact him for your real estate needs.

Powell Realty, 605 N. Mi. Mt. Pleasant, Mich. 48858. April 24t4p

RUMMAGE SALE--Neighborhood collection of dishes, toys and clothing, some in larger sizes. April 24, 25 and 26, threequarters of a mile west of Weidman on Airline Road.

April 24t1

Local Items

Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Sprague and girls called on Mr. and Mrs. Leon Snyder of Ithaca Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. James Beutler were Sunday supper guests of his mother, Mrs. Claribel Beutler. Other guests were Mr. and Mrs. Carl Beutler and children, and Mr. and Mrs. John Hansen and baby of Grand Rapids. Mrs. John Hansen, who is leaving for her home in Norfolk, Va., this week, was also a guest.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Pitts left Friday for a week's stay in Washington, D.C. They are visiting the Stuart McArthurs at Arlington, Va., and sightseeing in the Capital.

BETTER THAN A LETTER

biluary

NORMAN LEE FAIRCHILD Norman Lee Fairchild died at CMC Hospital Sunday, April 20, apparently after a heart attack. He was 37 years old.

He was born March 1, 1938, in Isabella County, and had lived here all his life. He and his family had lived in the old George Drallette house in Weidman the past several years.

He was employed by the City of Mt. Pleasant in the streets and parks area.

Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. Tuesday, April 22, at the Stinson Funeral Home, with Rev. John Wright officiating. Burial was at Mt. Pleasant Mem-

orial Gardens.

He is survived bys his wife, Janet; four children, Kimberly, Gwen, Lee Joey and Marty, at home; his father, Leslie Fairchild of Owosso; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Williams, of Mt. Pleasant; his maternal grandfather, George Grove, and paternal grandfather, John Williams, of Mt. Pleasant; four sisters, Mrs. Marilyn Hemingway of Washington, Mrs. Betty Herriott of Arizona, Mrs. Margaret Ford and Susan Williams of Mt. Pleasant; and three brothers, Leslie Fairchild, Jr., of Cali-fornia, and Larry and Rick Williams of Mt. Pleasant.

The family have the deepest sympathy of all.

bituary

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JOSEPH SHADE HUDSON Joseph Shade Hudson of Midland died Wednesday, April 16, at the Isabella County Medical Care Facility in Mt. Pleasant, where he had been a patient for the past year. He was 89. He was born Oct. 10, 1885, in

Macon, Georgia. He had been a chef by trade, working in the catering business. He also had worked as a railroad postal clerk for many years.

He is survived by his wife, Helen B.; two daughters, Mrs. James (Louise) Powell and Mrs. Charles (Mildred) Gant, both of Pittsburgh, Pa.; two grandchildren and two great-grandchildren; and one sister, Ruth Johnson, of Pittsburgh.

Funeral services were held Saturday at 2 p.m., April 19, at the Scott Wilson Memorial Chapel in Midland, with Rev. Jesse R. Sweet officiating. Burial was in the Lee Township Cemetery

in Midland County.

Helen has many friends in this area, who will offer deepest

sympathy.

Her address is 1275 South 8-Mile Road, Midland, Mi. 48640. BETTER THAN A LETTER

Dituary

HATTIE BLEISE EMERICH Hattie (Bleise) Emerich, of 1536 North Claremont Avenue, Chicago, died Tuesday, April 15, in a Chicago hospital. She was 94 years old.

She was born Jan. 8, 1881, in Germany, and had visited the Bill Bleise family of Nottawa in

former years.

She was a sister of the late Bill Bleise, and the family grew up on the Bleise farm, now the home of Bob and Alberta Bleise.

She is survived by two daughters, Mary and Helen Emerich, of the Chicago address; and one sister, Sister Natalia, of Indiana. She was the wife of the late

August Emerich.

Attending the funeral, from this area, were Robert Bleise, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bleise, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Theisen, and Mr. and Mrs. Peltier of Mt. Pleasant and Mr. and Mrs. Ernest South of Freeland and Mrs. James Biersch-

--0--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 p.m.

Choir (Thursday), 6.30 p.m. It was College Day Sunday at our church, with Larry Bos from the Grand Rapids Bible College

as speaker.

The film, "Eighteen," will be shown at 7 p.m. April 27 at the Weidman Baptist Church. Everyone welcome.

WEIDMAN UNITED METHODIST Rev. Athel Lynch, Pastor, 2163 2nd Street, Weidman.

Office phone 644-3336, parsonage 644-3441.

Church School, 9.45 a.m. Worship Service, 11 a.m. Sharing and prayer Thursday, 7.30 p.m.

Pot luck dinner third Sunday, 1 p.m.

U.M.W., 1st and 3rd Thursdays, 3 p.m.

Methodist Men, 4th Saturday, 6.30 p.m.

Everyone is invited to attend a special program at our church Sunday evening at 7 p.m., when the Signs Singers of Edmore, one of the gospel's newest and most exciting groups, will take over.

We had 129 people in our church Sunday, and nine new members were accepted into the church.

Forty-seven people enjoyed a fellowship dinner in honor of the new members.

Beal City Dora Smith, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Keiffer attended the Golden Wedding celebration for Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Schafer of Hubbardston Sunday. Monday they attended the funeral of Thomas Ward at Hubbardston.

Mrs. Katie Schumacher and Harold visited Mr. and Mrs. Joe Keiffer one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Snider called on Mr. and Mrs. Joe Keiffer Friday evening.

The Beal City Band Parents' fish fry Friday, April 18, was very well attended. Everyone enjoys the superbly fried fish supper.

Mrs. Mary Flower and family of Petersburg are spending a week with Mrs. Marie Rahl.

Mrs. Paul Smith and family called on Mrs. Louise Smith and Dora Sunday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Smith and Mrs. Royal Massey of Mt. Pleasant and Mr. and Mrs. Chris Barrett and family of Lansing were Wednesday afternoon callers of the family.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Blasen spent Wednesday in Midland. Oscar Fedewa of Houghton Lake was

a Tuesday caller.
Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Smith
spent Tuesday in Pewamo with

their daughter. Mr. and Mrs. Bob Blasen spent Wednesday in Midland.

Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Smith and family of Lansing called on Mr. and Mrs. Bob Blasen and family Thursday.

Dora Smith called on Mr. and Mrs. Joe Keiffer Friday after-

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Smith and family spent the weekend with Mrs. Irene Smith and John Smith and family. The Paul Smiths are from Ithaca.

Kitty Gross entertained company Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Kranz of Holland spent the weekend with Mrs. Helen Simmer.

Callers of Louise Schafer Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Ron Malish, Mr. and Mrs. Everett Schafer, Mr. and Mrs. Fran Schafer, and Beatrice Sheahan.

Mr. and Mrs. Everett Schafer entertained their club Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Schafer, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Schafer and Ruth and Al Klumpp spent Friday evening with Tillie Schafer.

Alfred Klumpp spent Saturday and Sunday in Saginaw with the Naval Reserves.

Tillie Schafer spent Sunday at the Alfred Klumpp home.

The reception for John Engler and wife at the K. of C. Hall Sunday was well attended.

Mrs. Jerry Schafer took her daughter, Laura, to Blodgett Hospital in Grand Rapids for a checkup Monday.

Mike and Coletta Gross spent

Sunday afternoon with Matie Pung.

Mr. and Mrs. Fran Schafer entertained company Friday evening for their son, Duane, who made his First Communion.

Ella Tillmann is in the Medical Care Facility at Mt. Pleasant.

Two Rivers

Blanche Carr, Reporter

Mrs. Lovica Krueger spent the weekend at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Krueger. Mrs. Harold Krueger took her grandmothef, Mrs. Emily Wood, to Alma to the doctor Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Faul Lueder were Monday evening guests of Mrs. Nettie Crowley and Jay Leinaar. Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Best of Grand Rapids were Thursday visitors. Ross Waters and friends of Delton were also Thursday callers.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Sedell of Flint and Mrs. Philip Mead and daughters were Saturday visitors of Mrs. Kate Martin.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Wiley and Craig of Northville spent the weekend at the homes of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Cook and Roderick Nicholson.

Mrs. Ella Cox was a weekend guest of Mr. and Mrs. William Combs of Lansing.

Mrs. Jack Lieder visited Mrs. Nettie Baker Monday. Other callers were Mrs. Ernest Kennedy on Tuesday, and Mrs. Shirley Baker of Mt. Pleasant.

Mrs. Lovica Krueger spent last Tuesday with Blanche Carr.

A grass fire burned over much of Ernest Kennedy's property, including some pine trees. But for the efficiency of the Nottawa-Sherman Fire Department, they might have lost their home.

MOBILE UNITS AID
DISABLED VETERANS

Mobile field service units, sponsored by the Disabled American Veterans, will be in Clare Monday, May 5, to provide free services to disabled veterans and their dependents. The units will be there from 10 a.m. to 6 p.

All veterans can benefit from contacting these units, inasmuch as the DAV will counsel non-wounded or disabled veterans as to benefits, educational opportunities, pensions, etc.

tunities, pensions, etc.
Veterans and their dependents
are urged to visit the units to
discuss any problems.

The unit will be at the Giant ramily Discount Store in Clare.

NEWS NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Touchinski and girls and Mrs. Edith Touchinski were Saturday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Miller.

Mrs. Lela Whearett entertained Mrs. Claribel Beutler, Mrs. Emma Middlesworth and Mrs. Nina Forbes, at cards, after the

Methodist Men's soup supper Saturday evening. HOME PAPER FOR THE WEST HALF OF ISABELLA COUNTY



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NEW DAV POST BEING ESTABLISHED

There will be a meeting of disabled American veterans this Thursday evening, April 17, at the Grant Township Hall on Surrey Road, Clare County, at 7 p.m., for the purpose of organizing a new Disabled American Veterans Post which will be known as Gateway Post 134.

Meetings thereafter will be held every third Thursday of each month.

Veterans need not be members of any organization to attend. All veterans are welcome, and bring your wife or husband, the planners of the new post say.

RETIREES ENJOY ANNUAL LIONS CLUB DINNER

About 65 area retired men enjoyed the fourth annual Lions Club get-together dinner honoring them last Wednesday evening in the school cafeteria.

Many valuable and exciting gifts were drawn by happy retirees.

A delicious dinner was served by the Lions' ladies.

Pami Sprague spent Friday night with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. R.D. Sprague.

Baumann's I.G.A.

ROSEBUSH-WEIDMAN





In the JET JOURNEY TO THE STARS Contest at IGA Stores, the winners of which will enjoy a 4-Day, 3-Night Expense Paid Trip to Florida, including hours at Cypress Gardens, Kennedy Space Center, Disney World, and many other famous places, the contestants from the Weidman area at the Weidman IGA Store of Keith Baumann are as follows:

David Leiter
David Davy
Rose Ann Mercer
Elizabeth Blodgett
Valerie Leiter
Raymond Daughirt
Victor Edger
William Hummel
Airon Daughirt
Joe Purdy
Jerry Ward
Tony Bellinger
Shannon Ia Londe
Tammy Gray
Sally Reihl

Kari Hoffman
Doris Grady
Carl Stewart
Alan Kremsreiter
Vickey Newman
Karrie Jo Freeman
Joe Simon
Cynthia Pitts
Penny Wrench
Alan Wilcox
Tommy Denslow
Billy Beutler
Tina Grady
Ken Van Tessel
Lori Wernette

LEADERS AT THE WEIDMAN STORE (TOP TEN) FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 19 WERE AS FOLLOWS:



Carl Stewart
Elizabeth Blodgett
Alan Kremsreiter
Lori Wernette
Mary Jane Hovev
Mary Kay Lynch
Alan Wilcox
Tonya Bellinger
Tammy Gray
Ken Van Tessel



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Ruth Sherlock, Reporter Tel. 644-2310

Ruth Sherlock attended the parent-teacher meeting of the Head Start program at Beal City last Monday. Parents attending decided to have a picnic at Island Park Saturday, May 17, for the families involved in the Head Start program. There will be no meeting next month at the the school.

Ruth Sherlock and Helene Bywater attended a painting party at Edmore at the Carolyn Hoover home.

Marsha Schumacher dropped in for coffee Monday afternoon at my house. Eleanor Hutchinson and Marge Schafer spent Wednesday morning with me.

Ed and Marge Schafer enjoyed the company of their son, Jerry, and his wife, Jane, and family, Tuesday evening.

Judy Tilmann and Marsha Schumacher drove to Lapeer Wednesday to see Judy's grandmother, who was very ill.

Dianne Tilmann was hostess to the monthly Atex party Wednesday evening. Among her guests were Judie Tilmann, Marsha Schumacher, Ruth Sherlock, Mrs. Albert Tilmann, and also guests from Mt. Pleasant and Clare. Everyone enjoyed cake and punch.

Dianne Tilmann enjoyed Thursday afternoon lunch with Mona Bugbee, and afterward entertained her grandmother, Ruth Flynn, with the afternoon bowl-

Wayne Sherlock and family enjoyed Thursday afternoon fishing by his in-laws', then spent the rest of the time visiting with Ed and Marge Schafer.

Ruth Sherlock enjoyed Friday afternoon with Sue Slayer and Edna Wing. Marge and Ed Scha-fer enjoyed the fish fry at the Beal City gym Friday evening. Profits went for the band. They had a real nice turnout.

Ed and Marge Schafer, Don and Judy Schafer, Bill and Lynn Schafer, and Jerry and Jane Schafer spent Saturday evening at the dance for the Wranglers' Club. Bill Schafer gave a little speech, thanking all who attended, and explaining what the profits of the dance would be used for. Bill is president of the club this year. A good time was had by all, and the dance was a great success.

John and Judie Tilmann and Dianne and Dave Tilmann enjoyed dinner at Apple Mountain

in Saginaw Saturday evening. Wayne Sherlock and Lyle Hutchinson drove to Traverse City over the weekend to check on employment there.

Ed and Marge Schafer and their friends enjoyed the reception for John Engler and his new wife Sunday. A good time was had by all.

We here at the lake were very happy to see Nellie Wood return home from the hospital. Hope you're feeling better, Nel-

We were also happy to hear

that Kim Matthews is recovering so well after her accident. Kim was burned badly after falling asleep under a sun lamp. Her friends and neighbors here and at school hope to see her up and around shortly. Stay away from any more naps around sun lamps, Kim!

S. W. Sherman Goldic Dutcher, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Brian Dutcher and Chad, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Wat-son of Grand Ledge and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Wernette of Greenville and Mr. and Mrs. Gary Coboski and family were visitors of the Ervin Dutchers, Jr. Linda's folks had visited them.

Laurel Beutler had overnight guests to help her celebrate her birthday. They were Cindy Den-slow and Michelle Lopez. Her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Sanderson, of St. Charles, spent Sunday with them. They all had Fellowship dinner at the church.

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Watson of Grand Ledge and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Wernette of Greenville were Sunday visitors of the Brian Dut-chers. They all called on the Ervin Dutcher, Jr., family. Monroe Beckwith and Floyd

Dutcher had lunch with us Fri-

Vada Gatehouse and Anna Boyd were in Ann Arbor Thursday to visit Clarence Chaffee. He had been taken out of the intensive care unit that day, and seems to be getting along real well.

Mrs. Clyde Chaffee of Harrison

and her daughter, Mrs. Judy Williams, of Iron Mountain, visited the Harry Gatehouses Thursday. Lou Ann and Mark Maeder were Sunday afternoon visitors.

Monroe Beckwith of Otisville visited the Ervin Dutchers Thursday afternoon. He and Floyd Dutcher visited Friday, and Floyd

called on them again Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Bill Remington and children of Saginaw had Sunday dinner with the Ervin Dutchers. Mrs. Eloise Hogg and girls called during the week.

Walter and Sally Howe and Jim Dutcher called on us Thursday. Monroe Beckwith and Floyd Dutcher had lunch with us Friday. The Robert Dutchers were Thursday evening callers. Mr. and Mrs. Dale Dutcher and sons and Jim Dutcher and girls had Sunday dinner with us.

Garry Dutcher and David, Becky and Kaye called on the Dick Dutchers Sunday morning.

802 W Surrey Rd

Barbara and Patti Dutcher called on the Theodore Cases Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Beutler visited the Forrest Johnstons and the Iim Beutlers Sunday after the church dinner.

The Carl Beutlers visited her folks. Mr. and Mrs. Norman Schultheiss, of St. Johns, Satur-

Garry Dutcher and Sam Pankhurst were Monday morning callers of ours.

Julia and Bonnie Dutcher attended a bridal shower for Julia's sister, Terri, Tuesday evening at the Glen Owen home near Midland.

Sunday callers of the Robert Dutchers were Mr. and Mrs. Dale Dutcher and Chris and Jon, Richard and Patti Dutcher, Garry and David Dutcher, and Jim and Clayton Dutcher.

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METHODIST MEN'S SOUP SUPPER DRAWS GOOD CROWD

The usual heavy and enthusiastic crowd of soup-supper lov-ers converged on the Weidman United Methodist Church dining rooms Saturday night, to enjoy another of the Methodist Men's famous soup suppers.

The usual gourmet menu of various soups, made from cherished recipes, by the Methodist Men's wives, was supplemented by the usual hot rolls, butter, salad, crackers, and relishes, topped off with home made pie. Over \$250 was taken in, with

expenses yet to be calculated. Proceeds go to the Methodist Men's fund, used widely for missionary work. ---0---

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene McArthur spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hamilton at Rifle River.



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MISSIONARY YOUTH FELLOWSHIP TO MEET

The 82nd annual group gathering of the American Missionary Youth Fellowship meeting will be held at the Chapel in Brinton Saturday, April 27, beginning at 10.30 a.m., with pot-luck dinner at the Community Hall in Brinton at noon.

The meeting features music, singing, and preaching, with a Bible drill for each age group. Everyone is invited to attend.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Place and Edna Teeter were in Grand Rapids Saturday, where they called on Albert Geasler at the Ferguson Hospital. Mrs. Teeter spent the day with her brother, Emmet, and wife.

Albert Geasler is reported as being on the gain. We are very glad to report his being removed from intensive care Saturday.

I called on Mr. and Mrs. Donald Seymour and the Elam Seymours Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. David Livermore and daughter, Ronda, were in Ann Arbor Thursday and Friday, where Ronda underwent a number of tests.

Mr. and Mrs. George Knorr and boys of Lansing spent the weekend with her mother, Edna Tee-

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Wright called on Joann Wright in Greenville last Wednesday, and also called on their daughter, Evelyn, and family at Grand Rapids en route home.

Howard McDonald and Lillie Donald called on Dad and me Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Geasler called on his father, Albert Geasler, at the Ferguson Hospital in Grand Rapids Sunday. ---0---

North Weidman

Elvah Gott, Reporter CELEBRATES HER 84TH BIRTHDAY IN HER NEW HOME

Mrs. Nate England celebrated her 84th birthday last Thursday at her new home in Weidman, the Ina Gillett house, when many relatives and friends called to wish her well, with gifts, and stayed to enjoy her birthday cake and ice cream.

Among those attending were Mr. and Mrs. Rick England, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Sexton, Mrs. Margaret Blodgett, Mrs. Janet Schafer, Mrs. Lena Abendroth, Mrs. Elvah Gott, Mrs. Helen Alwood and Mrs. Fonda Alwood and Heather.

Mr. and Mrs. England are very happy to be living in Weidman again, as it is a nice, friendly little town.

Mrs. Zena Olger attended church Sunday, then went to the home of her son-in-law and

daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Wil- EXPIRATION DATE--Of your liams, for dinner. Her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Sim Riggs, of Loomis, called on her Friday.

Doug Smith of Chippewa Lake spent Saturday and Sunday with Jim Alwood, and attended church with the family. Mr. and Mrs. Don Shenk were callers in the evening.

Mrs. Don Alwood and Cathy, Heather Alwood and Alice and Angela Smith called on the Harris Browns of Lake Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Dale Maeder and children visited Paula Sunday. They say she might start walking Monday of this week, at least take a few

Our daughter called, and we went to the doctor. Bessie Allen and I had a treatment at Evart last Wednesday. Friday Mrs. Ruth Reigle and boys and Dennis Huber were callers.

Our son, Albert Gott of Winn, took us home with him Sunday for dinner. It was his birthday and their anniversary, the 20th of April. Mr. and Mrs. Dick Gott called, and enjoyed cake and coffee Sunday evening. ---0--

Local Items

Mrs. Edna Bowein attended a family dinner gathering at the home of Loretta Lorenz and Clarence.

Mr. and Mrs. R.D. Sprague were Saturday supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Dent at Farwell. They all spent the evening with the Andy Bellingers.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Embrey returned home last Thursday after spending part of the winter in Florida. They attended the fu neral of a cousin's husband, Jack Wiseman, at White Cloud, Saturday morning. They were accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Mack Denlsow and Mrs. Bert Chaffee, who also are relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Meyer of Lake were last Monday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Emil Phillips. Mr. and Mrs. Bob Valentine of Midland spent the afternoon and evening with them. On Friday, Mr. and Mrs. Lloy Sperry took them to Omer, near Gladwin, where they spent the day watching fishermen dip suckers.



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FIREMEN KEPT BUSY LAST WEEK, WHEN WE WERE DRY
The Nottawa and Sherman Vol-

unteer Fire Department was busy last week as grass fires proliferated over tinder-dry grasslands and house grounds.

They were called to the mobile home of Charles Shantau, north of town on Woodruff Road, when fire broke out in a well house and spread to the trailer. Damage was estimated at about \$3,300.

In the middle of last week the local fire fighters were called to assist the Mt. Pleasant department in a big grass fire at the edge of Deerfield Township.

When that fire was brought under control, a call came from our own area, to a huge grass fire on Grass Lake Road near Brinton.

Friday's rains helped somewhat on the grass situation, but home owners are warned against carelessness in starting fires without notifying the fire marshal at Mt. Pleasant and obtaining a permit: and also to be careful in the planning and execution of trash burning of any kind. --0---

MEDICAL FACILITY RAISES
RATE FOR PRIVATE PAY
PATIENTS EFFECTIVE MAY 1
John P. Verwey, administrator, announced this week that the per diem (daily) rate for Medicare patients has risen in the past year, due to rising costs of operation of the Isabella County Medical Care Facility at Mt. Pleasant.

Accordingly, according to Medicare law, charges to any patient in the facility cannot be less than the charges to patients cov-

ered under the Medicare program. Charges to all patients, therefore, will be increased as of May 1. This includes private pay patients.

Increases are from \$29 per day, plus ancillary charges, to \$33 per day plus ancillary charges, to take effect on the date mentioned above.

PHOTO TAKING DAY A BIG SUCCESS FOR FIREMEN

Sunday's photo-taking schedule, sponsored by the Nottawa and Sherman Volunteer Fire Department, was a huge success, according to figures from the Women's Auxiliary of the department.

Sixty-four groupings were taken, with some having ordered, paid, and then cancelled but not reclaiming their money.

The young photographer from a North Carolina studio was very good with his subjects, and all

were happy with the day.
Proceeds will go toward muchneeded new equipment for the fire fighters.

---0---HELEN HUDSON'S HUSBAND DIES AT MEDICAL FACILITY

J. F. Hudson, husband of Helen Hudson, died last Wednesday evening, April 16, at the Medical Care Facility at Mt. Pleasant, after a long illness.

Helen has very many friends in this area who will be thinking of her.

Helen's address is 1275 South 8-Mile Road, Midland, Mich. 48640. ---0---

Mrs. Grace Pitts spent the weekend with her daughter, Mrs. Elaine Esterline, in Farwell.





Pinning down facts about Michigan's generic drug law and how it may save you money on prescriptions.

Pharmacists and consumer groups championed this law which was designed to aid you, the consumer. As a public service, the Michigan Pharmaceutical Association presents this information.

What's a generic drug?



It's a drug or medication that is produced by more than one manufacturer, such as penicillin or aspirin. Most often these generic drugs of identical chemical composition are distributed under a multitude of different brand names

What does this law mean to you?



If there is a cost difference between "brand name" drugs, the law permits your pharmacist to select and dispense the "lower cost, quality brand" (unless your physician insists on a particular brand). Savings from this service by your pharmacist are passed on to you.

Q. Does this mean you will NOT get the medicine your doctor prescribes?



No. The law still requires the pharmacist to dispense only a quality medication as prescribed. You get the prescription your doctor specifies.

Will all prescriptions be cheaper?



Not always. Many prescription drugs are only made by one manufacturer, and the pharmacist has no control over the manufacturer's price.

Do 'brand' drugs and generic drugs look alike?



Not necessarily. In certain instances a difference in appearance may be noted. Your pharmacist will counsel you accordingly. The best pharmacy care is based on communications, confidence and complete information about your medication therapy.

Now, here's how to take advantage of this law.

Consult your pharmacist who is most qualified to make rational "drug product selection" decisions for you.

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