

Society

CLUB CALENDER

Saturday
Radio Christmas Program—U. B. Church, 7:30 p. m.
Christian Ladies' Aid society Rum-mage sale—Niblick building.
Christian Ladies' Aid society Pan cake supper—Church, 5 to 7 p. m.
Presbyterian Ladies' Aid Society

Monday
Delta Theta Tau Sorority — Miss Margaret Mylott, 7:30 p. m.
Pythian Sisters Christmas Party and Exchange—Pythian home.

Tuesday
Tri Kappa—Miss Ruth Frisinger, 8 p. m.
Mary and Martha S. S. Class of M. E. Church—Mrs. E. A. Beavers.
So Cha Rea Christmas Party—Mrs. Charles Starost, 6:30 p. m.
Epworth League Christmas Party—Mr. and Mrs. Leigh Bowen, 7:30 p. m.
C. L. of C. Christmas Party and Exchange—K. of C. Hall, 6:30 p. m.
Historical Club Christmas Party—Mrs. S. E. Hite.
Maud Muller Club—postponed.
Rebekah Lodge — Lodge Rooms, 7:30 p. m.

Wednesday
Auction Bridge Club—Mrs. Paul Briede, 8 p. m.
Shakespeare Club—Mrs. C. E. Peterson

Thursday
Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of Methodist church—Mrs. John E. Nelson.

Friday
Pocahontas Christmas Party —After Lodge.

Mrs. John Kirchner, of Preble, entertained at dinner last evening in honor of Mrs. Austin Strub, the occasion being her birthday anniversary. Covers were laid for Mrs. Strub and daughter, Frances, Mrs. Meyers, Mrs. Lehman, Mrs. Curtis Reynolds, Mrs. Omlor all of this city.

The Delta Theta Tau sorority will meet at the home of Miss Margaret Mylott at 7:30 o'clock Monday evening. The meeting will be an important one and all members are urged to attend.

The So Cha Rea club will hold its annual Christmas party at the home of Mrs. Charles Starost at 6:30 o'clock Tuesday evening. All members are asked to bring their gifts to the Eats restaurant Monday.

Mr. J. M. Gibson was pleasantly surprised by a number of relatives with a six o'clock dinner last evening at his home east of the city. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. Verne Bohnke, Mrs. D. V. Akey and daughters, Mr. Roy Gibson and family, Mr. Hervey Gibson and family, Mr. Will Anderson and family, and Mr. Dayton Gault. The dinner was given in honor of his 70th birthday.

The Mary and Martha class of the Methodist church will hold their regular class meeting at the home of Mrs. E. A. Beavers, Tuesday evening. Their annual Christmas exchange will be held at this meeting and all members are urged to attend.

The Loyal Workers class of the Evangelical church held their annual Christmas party and exchange at the home of their teacher, Mrs. Fred Linn, Thursday evening. An elaborate pot-luck dinner was served at six-thirty o'clock. The home decorations were in red and green in keeping with the Christmas season. Contests were enjoyed, after which Mrs. Linn presented each member with a gift. The guests presented, the hostess with two lovely gifts.

Miss Martha Miller was hostess to the N. B. B. O. O. Literary society of the Jefferson high school Tuesday evening. The entertaining rooms were decorated in green and red in keeping with the Christmas season. Each member of the society answered roll call with their favorite song. A lively time was enjoyed while the guests played games and contests. Sandwiches, cake, pickles, cocoa, pop corn balls and candy were served at a late hour. The club members present were Martha Butcher, Edna Lewis, Glennis Kenney, Marcella Robin, Emma Fogle, Esther Bollenbacher, Vivian and Helen Ray, Madonna Baker, Martha Miller, Charles Stoltz, Lewis Arnold, Walter Amstutz. Other guests were Howard Fennig, Raymond Snyder, Ernest Reed, Gale Bucher, Richard Fennig, Vurbie Miller, Ernest Hiestand, Olen Marsh, Mary Godfrey, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Miller.

Miss Ruth Frisinger will entertain the members of the Tri Kappa Sorority, Tuesday evening, at eight

o'clock. All members are urged to attend.

The Pocahontas Christmas party, exchange and pot luck supper will be held Friday evening after the regular meeting. All members are urged to attend and bring an article of food.

The members of the Minnehaha Club elected officers at their regular meeting last evening. Those who will take office are president, Mrs. Eva Lutz; vice president, Mrs. Grace Reynolds; secretary, Clara Breiner; treasurer, Nettie Aurand. The hostesses who entertained the club were Mesdames Emma Charles and Clara Baumgartner.

Mrs. Paul Briede will entertain the members of the Auction Bridge Club Wednesday evening at eight o'clock.

Locals

There's nothin' square about a \$2 meal but th' sugar. There's a new Christmas Scotch goin' th' rounds that smells like a pair o' gloves jest back from th' cleaners—Abe Martin, Indianapolis News.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Dalley and daughter, Marietta, are spending the week-end here with relatives.

Miss Naomi Harkless, of Van Wert, Ohio, is spending the week-end here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Harkless.

Miss Carolyn Acker is spending the week-end with Miss Mary Callow at Fort Wayne.

Mrs. Ben Shiltz, of east of the city, was a shopper here today.

Mrs. Katharine Kaufman and daughter, spent the day in Fort Wayne visiting with friends.

Mrs. A. B. Ford, of Portland, was a guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dal Hower and family, here yesterday.

Miss Catherine Martin spent the day in Fort Wayne with friends.

Mrs. William Butler was the guest of friends at Fort Wayne today.

Mrs. Fred Sellemeyer spent the day in Fort Wayne with her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Sellemeyer.

Mrs. S. J. Bowers was the guest of her daughter, Miss Reba, at Fort Wayne today.

W. A. Klepper and Norbert R. Holt, house, of the Cloverleaf Creameries, Ind., of this city, returned last evening from Indianapolis where they

attended the convention of the Indiana Manufacturers of Dairy Products, held at the Claypool hotel.

W. A. Lower returned from Indianapolis last evening after a several days' business trip.

E. M. Ray of Berne attended to business here.

Henry Rodenbeck of Root township was looking after business in town this morning.

C. J. Lutz, F. M. Schirmeyer and Forest Vail have returned from a business trip to St. Louis, Mo. Frank Johns of Kokomo is visiting relatives here.

Perry Gandy and family, of Fort Wayne, visited relatives here today. J. G. Niblick is home from a several days visit in Chicago.

Miss Marie Brodbeck of east of the noon in Fort Wayne visiting with relatives.

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Mrs. John Shafer, Mrs. Ed Tonne-lier, Mrs. Wilson Lee motored to Fort Wayne Friday afternoon.

Mrs. Maude Dorwin and daughter, Helen, visited friends at Fort Wayne this afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. I. W. Macy and daughter, Martha Alice, returned to their home at South Bend this afternoon, after a visit with relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Conrad, of Preble township, were shoppers here today.

Miss Kathryn Dorwin visited friends at Fort Wayne today.

Misses Audrey Smith and Phillis Smith, of Hoagland, visited friends here this afternoon.

Herman Geels, of Bluffton, called on business friends here today.

Mrs. William Roop of Blue Creek township, spent the afternoon here visiting friends and shopping.

Middlewesterners Are Less Thrifty, Statistics Show

Washington, D. C., Dec. 12.—(United Press)—People of the middlewest are less thrifty than those in other sections of the country, it was disclosed today in statistics made public by the treasury department.

New Englanders are the thriftiest and Vermont, home state of President Coolidge, leads the nation in savings. With a population of only 355,000 citizens of that state have accumulated \$172,525,000 in savings accounts, which is a per capita ratio of \$486.15.

Kansas, with its agricultural area and a population of nearly 2,000,000, had savings deposits of only \$27,768,000.

on June 30, or \$6.80 per capita.

Ohio had a per capita savings of \$187.05; Illinois \$151.89; Indiana \$68.32; Michigan \$41.85 and Iowa \$176.10. The list was not complete, several states being unrepresented.

To Hold Thank Offering Service Sunday Evening

The Woman's Missionary Society will hold their annual Thank offering service at the Evangelical church Sunday evening at 7 o'clock. The ladies of the society will present the play, "A Jewel Reset," after which the mite boxes will be opened and a thank offering taken. The public is invited to attend this service.

Clothing Stores To Be Open In Evenings

The four men's clothing stores in Decatur will remain open in the evenings until Christmas, starting next week.

CONGRESS TODAY

Senate:
Not in session.
House:
Completes general debate on tax reduction bill.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Andrew Books, piano factory employee, Petroleum, to Mary Prough, Berne.

Chauncey Vanguilder, laborer, to Arnette Kurt, both of Decatur.

Paul Erwin Liechty, painter, Monroe township, to Sarah Anna Felber, Berne.

Airbrake Tests Are Started At Purdue

Lafayette, Ind., Dec. 12.—A series of airbrake tests which will cost practically a half million dollars before completed and which may revolutionize airbrake systems on railroads will be started Monday by the American Railway Association on its newly constructed test track at Purdue University here. The tests will be conducted by the staff of the Purdue Engineering Experiment Station under the direction of Harley A. Johnson, director of Research of the American Railway Association. Dean A. A. Potter of the Purdue engineering schools, who is director of the experiment station, announced that \$99,500 had been

received from the Railway Association for new equipment and the cost of the preliminary work and that the program for the coming year called for the expenditure of \$200,000 additional.

These tests are a part of a general investigation of power brakes being made by this Association, which represents nearly all the railroads in the country. The Interstate Commerce Commission has indicated in a report that improvements in the operation of power brakes are essential and the American Railway Association agreed to make a thorough investigation for the purpose of determining what improvements, if any, can be made in air brake equipment, more particularly for freight trains.

In order that this investigation might be made on an independent and unbiased basis, the Association selected Mr. Johnson, who has a high standing in the engineering field, to carry on this work. Mr. Johnson is also General Manager of the Chicago Rapid Transit Company and an alumnus of Purdue University, graduating with the class of 1905.

The test track, located at Purdue University, has been rebuilt to represent present day conditions and special instruments have been developed and built to graphically record the operations of the brakes under test. New types of air brake equipment which have been designed and built to agree with the Interstate Commerce Commission's specifications, have been purchased from the Westinghouse Air Brake Company and the Automatic Straight Air Brake Company and will be thoroughly tested. The present standard type of freight car brake will also be tested to determine if the new equipments are better than the type of brake now in use.

A large staff of men, especially trained in research work, will be required to carry in these tests at Purdue University. These men will be under the supervision of Prof. G. A. Young, Head of School of Mechanical Engineering, Purdue University. While the tests are being conducted, there will be present representatives of the Interstate Commerce Commission, Commit-

tee on Brakes and Brake equipment and the Committee on Safety Appliances of the American Railway Association, railroad officials and the air brake manufacturers who are submitting equipments for tests. The rack tests will be followed with tests under actual operating conditions on some railroads on which the various conditions of heavy grades, sharp curvature and level track may be encountered. From the standpoint of the extensive preparations which have been made and also the enormous value of equipment which may be effected by the results of these tests, it is pre-

dicted that this will be the most important investigation in the history of air brakes.

August Scheumann, trustee of Preble township, looked after business interests here today.

Evansville. — Hattie Forehand's sweetheart was tired and sleepy and left her early. Hattie is in a hospital recovering from the effects of poison she swallowed in a fit of despondency.

FOR RENT—126-acre farm, one half mile north of Pleasant Mills. J. F. Arnold, Decatur, Ind. 293-31.

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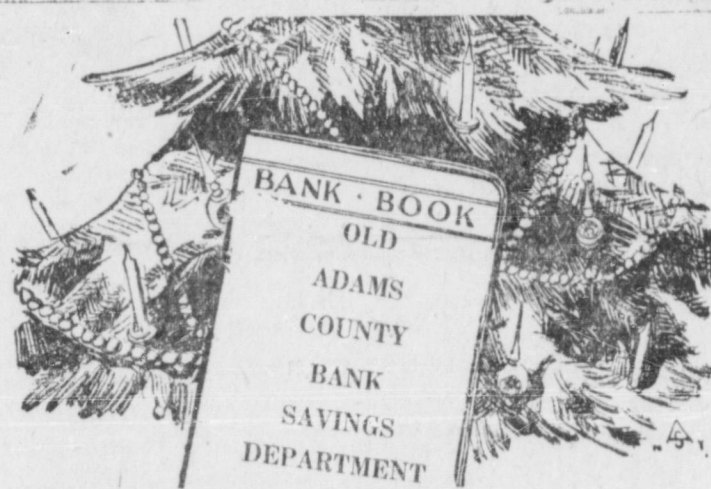
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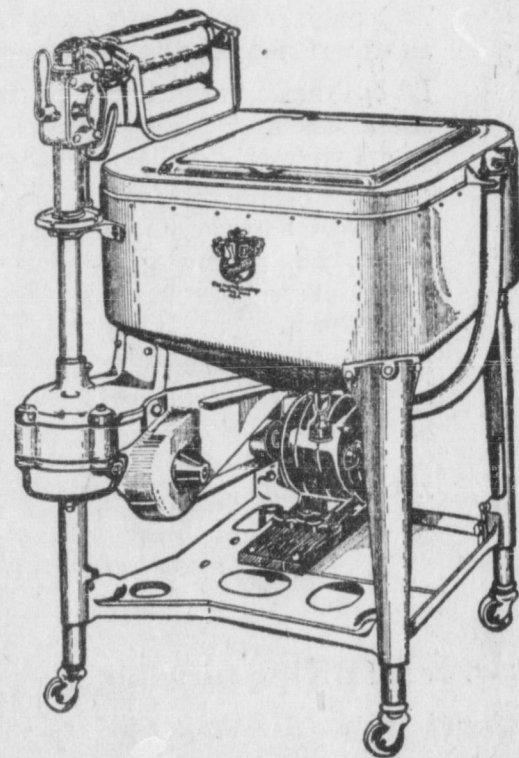
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