

## SOCIETY

## Paris Styles

## CLUB CALENDAR

Miss Mary Macy  
Phones 1000-1001

## Monday

Adams County Choral Society picnic and rehearsal, Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Holthouse.

## Tuesday

W. C. T. U. Library Hall, 2:30 p.m.

Rebekah Lodge, I. O. O. F. Hall 7:30 p.m.

N. and T. Club, Mrs. Ed Warren, 2 p.m.

## Wednesday

Tri Kappa social meeting Mrs. Avon Burk 8 p.m.

## Thursday

Frank Fugate and daughter Blanch and Mrs. Straub.

Devotional services were led by Mrs. Yager. The next meeting will be held with Mrs. C. O. McKean in October.

## YOUNG PEOPLES CHOIR SURPRISED MRS VANCE

The members of the Young Peoples Choir of the United Brethren Church entertained with a surprise party honoring Mrs. R. E. Vance in the Church entertaining rooms. Friday night, following the party given for Rev. and Mrs. Vance by the Juniors of the church.

Mrs. Vance has served as the choir director during her stay in this city. The choir presented her with a beautiful purse in appreciation of her work.

## REV. AND MRS. VANCE ENTERTAINED AT PARTY

The Juniors of the United Brethren Church entertained with a farewell party Friday night in the church parlors, honoring Rev. and Mrs. R. E. Vance who will make their home in Plymouth.

The party in the form of a birthday party and twelve tables were arranged in the dining room. Each table was decorated with a scene representing various months of the year.

During the early part of the evening singing and reading by the Juniors was enjoyed. Prayer was offered by Mrs. Hill and Mrs. Hitchcock. The Juniors presented Rev. and Mrs. Vance with a gift. The guests then gave a talk encouraging the juniors to keep faithful. This program closed with the singing of the song, "God Be with You Till We Meet Again" and prayer by Rev. and Mrs. Vance.

The children were then invited to the dining room in groups to find the table representing the month in which they were born. Refreshments were served by Mrs. Myers and Miss Irene Fisher. Dorcas Hosgland and Mary Johnston.

## C. I. C. CLASS HOLDS MEETING

The C. I. C. Class of the Union Chapel held their regular class meeting last evening with Mr. and Mrs. Freeman Schnepp. Roll Call was answered by giving the most inspiring lesson from the last quarter.

A talk was given by George Criner on "The Aim and Goal of the C. I. C. for the Coming Year". Remarks were also given by Thurman Drew, retiring president.

At the meeting, Mrs. Ollie Kretsch was elected president for the coming year. It was also voted by the class at this meeting to discontinue the serving of refreshments. Fifty.

## Decatur Merchants

## OFFER A DOUBLE ATTRACTION

Tuesday Eve. Sept. 13  
Treasure Hunt and Band Concert

In connection with the regular Tuesday evening Band Concert the Merchants of Decatur are sponsoring a TREASURE HUNT and invite you to take part in it. This feature will start at 7 o'clock and each store will award valuable Gifts. Your merchant has the necessary means that entitles you to take part in the Treasure Hunt so ask him about it when you make your purchases, Tonight, Monday and Tuesday.

## Don't Miss This Tuesday Evening

## Come To Church Sunday

## THE RETURN OF THE SPIES

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON FOR SEPT. 18  
Numbers 13:1-14:45By HARLOWE R. HOYT  
WALTER SCOTT

Canaan, the land towards which the Israelites were traveling, was peopled by a sturdy race with whom the Israelites, worn with years of servitude and the strain of journeying, were little fitted to cope. As Moses pondered, Jehovah commanded him to send spies into the territory, choosing a prince from every tribe. Moses made his selection and the royal spies went ahead into the promised land.

seven were present. Hostess and assistant hostess were Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Ormerod and Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Brown.

## POCAHONTAS LODGE SPONSORS BUNCO PARTY

The Pocahontas Lodge gave a bunco party in the Red Mens Hall, Friday night. Several games of bunco were played and the prizes awarded to Mrs. Henry Thomas and Iris Hebble.

The committee in charge of the arrangements for the party served refreshments of ice cream and cake.

## ENTERTAINS AT DINNER

Mrs. Sarah Case of Fifth street entertained with a three course dinner Friday, for Mr. and Mrs. Frank Annen, daughter Betty and son Donald of Marion, O., Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Annen, and Mr. and Mrs. Archie Foley and Miss Lela Palmer all of this city.

## MRS. ERVIN ELZELY SURPRISED WITH PARTY

A very pleasant birthday surprise party was held at the Ervin Elzely home on Marshall street, Friday night, honoring Mrs. Elzely on the occasion of her birthday.

Several games of bunco were played and prizes won by Mrs. Fred Hancher and Mrs. M. E. Hower. Mrs. Elzely was presented with a lovely birthday gift.

Those present were the M. E. W. Walters, John Nelson, Walt Johnson, Fred Hancher, Giles Porter, M. E. Hower, Jack Friedt, Riley Chrisman, Delton Passwater, Martha Gault, Jack Harker and son of For Wayne.

## SCHOOL OF THE DANCE TO OPEN IN OCTOBER

The Violet Reinwald School of the Dance which has been closed during the summer months will reopen Saturday, October 1, in the Elks Home.

Miss Patsy Fullenkamp of this city will be the teacher in the school of dancing which has been held here for the past year. The school was originated by Miss Violet Reinwald of Fort Wayne.

## CHURCHES

## First Baptist Church

A. B. Brown, pastor

"As we keep or break the Lord's Day, we nobly save or meanly lose the last best hope by which man rises." —Abraham Lincoln.

Bible School, 9:30, C. E. Bell, superintendent.

Morning worship, 10:30. Sermon theme: "Mysteries of the Kingdom of Heaven."

B. Y. P. U., 6:30. Let's go! Ralph Kenworthy, pres.

Evening service 7:30. Message: "The Unspoken Words of The Prodigal."

Prayer meeting, Wednesday, 7:30. Christ talked more about prayer than He ever said about preaching.

The Ninety-second Session of the Salamonie Baptist Association will be held at the nudkirk Baptist church, Sept. 14 and 15.

## First Evangelical Church

Rev. M. W. Sundermann, Minister

The regular Church School will open at 9:15 with a worship service under the direction of the Sunday School Board in all departments. There will be classes in Bible study for all ages. The regular morning service will follow the class sessions, dismissing at eleven o'clock.

E. L. C. E. at 6:45. This is the first Christian Endeavor meeting since the vacation and every member and friend should be present. Mrs. Paul Spuller will be the leader and promises a very interesting hour.

The regular evening worship at 7:30. Special music will feature at all services.

The regular prayer services in

## INDECISION

By Harlowe R. Hoyt

We are told in today's Sunday School lesson how spies sent by Moses into the land of Canaan returned to report their findings.

Canaan was the land of promise. Jehovah had assured the race that it was to be theirs, and they were pressing on in a desire to attain it. It was a land of plenty—of fruitful fields and heavy laden trees, in contrast to the wind-swept desert they traversed. It was peopled by a race who long had lived there. But it was to be the land of the Israelites. Jehovah had promised this. Then came the spies with their report.

"We cannot hope to attain it, they said.

And despite the objections of Caleb and Joshua, who would have pressed on, they were afraid. By this indecision, they lost their opportunity. Jehovah condemned them to long years of wandering before they might attain their goal.

Procrastination is one of the greatest evils of mankind. More often than not, it is caused by indecision. We fear that we cannot attain the end we desire. We fear our own resources. Doubting our ability, we shilly-shally along, finding one excuse or another to condone our negligence. In the end, sometimes we accomplish our desire, but more often, we lose it. Though we fail to realize it, we are punished for our indecision just as were the Israelites when they roved the wilderness for forty years.

The strong man is one who knows his own mind. He has the power to plan and the will to execute. He attains his end by direct means and with the certainty that comes from confidence in his strength.

We must be decisive to live a full and well rounded life.

At the end of forty days, the spies returned from their investigation, bringing with them huge grape clusters, pomegranates, figs, and spoils of the countryside, to prove its fruitfulness. The children of Israel came to hear what they had to report. During this time, the encampment had been stationed at Kadesh, in Paran, awaiting their return.

The report of the spies was not promising. It was a wonderful land, they said, flowing with milk and honey. But it was peopled by a race of tremendous strength and stature.

The cities were fortified, and they feared the Israelites stood no chance in combat. Caleb and Joshua refused to agree with them and urged action.

"Let us go up at once," Caleb urged, "for we are well able to overcome them and triumph."

But Caleb and Joshua pleaded in vain. The Israelites were afraid. Their confidence in Jehovah's promise was wavering. Some urged that another leader be chosen to succeed Moses and others that they give up the attempt and return to their Egyptian bondage. Jehovah now threatened to destroy them all, but Moses again interceded. Prayers prevailed but Jehovah doomed them to the wilderness for forty years.

## Indianapolis Men Find Church Funds

Indianapolis, Sept. —(UPI)—Because two Indianapolis men were willing to chance being made the butt of a childish prank the Third Christian church was saved several hundred dollars.

E. L. Bowers and Floyd L. Stephenson saw a black satchel lying in the middle of a street while driving. They suspected it was the bait for a childish prank but their curiosity won and they stopped.

They found, to their surprise that the satchel contained over 100 small envelopes containing money. On the envelopes was printed the name of the church.

Investigation with the aid of police revealed that the satchel had dropped from the auto of Smith Bray, secretary of the church, as he was delivering flowers to sick members of the congregation. The money was the Sunday morning contributions to the church building fund.

Miss Marcile Marker of Ligonia arrived in this city today to spend the weekend here, the guest of Miss Mildred Worthman.

## Sunday School QUESTIONS ?

## THE RETURN OF THE SPIES

## QUESTIONS

1. How far did the Israelites advance at this stage of their journeying?
2. What was their situation?
3. What did Jehovah command?
4. Who were included in the spies chosen by Moses?
5. What did they do?
6. Tell about their return.
7. What report did they make?
8. Who took issue with the report of the spies?
9. How did the Israelites receive the report?
10. What did Jehovah do to punish them?

## ANSWERS

1. The Israelites after leaving Mount Sinai continued through the wilderness of Paran until they came to Kadesh-barnea.
2. They were not fitted to combat with the Canaanites, who were a sturdy race, while Moses' followers still suffered from years of slavery, were worn with travel, and were not properly trained or equipped for warfare.
3. Jehovah commanded Moses to send forward spies, a prince from each tribe to scout the country and bring back reports.
4. Included among the spies were Caleb and Joshua, who was to succeed Moses as a leader of the people.
5. The spies went into Gannaan, where they remained for forty days. During that time, they scouted both the north and the south, and when they returned, they brought with them fruits and vegetables, to prove the fertility of the country.
6. The Israelites remained encamped at Kadesh until the spies returned. Then they gathered together while the venturers reported to Moses and Aaron of what they had seen.
7. The spies reported that they could not combat the Canaanites with any hope of victory. They were a race of giants, they said, with fortified cities and great armies. They advised against attempting to occupy the country.
8. Caleb, backed by Joshua, took exception to this report. He urged that the Israelites invade the country and take it for their own.
9. The Israelites accepted the report of the cowardly spies. Some urged that Moses be deposed and a new leader appointed.

## Zion Reformed Church

Sunday School, 9:15 a. m. M. F. Worthman, superintendent.

Morning worship, 10:30 a. m. Rev. Charles Prugh of Dayton, Ohio, will deliver the sermon. Sermon text, "Life's Building." —Nehemiah, chapter 2, verse 20.

Selection by Young Men's chorus.

Senior Choir practice Friday evening, September 16, at 7:30 p. m.

## First Christian Church

C. R. Lanman, Pastor

Bible School ..... 9:30

(Dr. Burr Mangold Supt.)

Junior Church ..... 10:30

Worship and Communion ..... 10:30

Sermon "The Light of the World."

Christian Endeavor ..... 7:00

Evening Service ..... 7:30

Official Board Meeting at close of Morning Service.

## Zion Lutheran Church

Paul W. Schultz, pastor.

Divine services in English, 10:45 a. m.

Divine services in German, 9 a. m.

Sunday School and Bible class, 10 a. m.

Missionary Society meeting Wednesday, 2 p. m. at home of Mrs. Paul Busse.

Mission Festival September 18th with German in the morning at 10 o'clock and English in the afternoon at 2:30 o'clock.

## United Brethren Church

Rev. B. J. Roberts, pastor.

Sunday School, 9:15 a. m.

Worship service, 10:30 a. m. Rev.

Roberts will be present and deliver the morning and evening messages Sunday. Everybody is welcome to attend these services.

Junior Christian Endeavor, 6 p. m.

Intermediate and Senior C. E., 6:30 p. m.

Evening service, 7:30 p. m.

## St. Mary's Church

First Miss ..... 7:00

Children's Mass ..... 8:30

High Mass ..... 9:45

Prayer Hour and Benediction 2:30

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