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It's Spring:

Officially spring is here and balmy days will bring opportunities for outdoor work.

Winter's mire should be removed. Wear and tear should be replaced.

State and county highway crews and city street workers should be engaged as quickly as possible in making much needed repairs to highways and streets.

The drabness of buildings should be refreshed with buckets of sparkling paint.

The business district should be dressed up and all signs of dormancy swept away with the enervating breezes of a new season.

More houses for the establishment of cheery homes should be built in Decatur.

Our city projects should be promoted and completed with vigor and enthusiasm, for we must all work together in helping build a better place in which to live.

It would be more than encouraging to see work started on the proposed new church buildings, for we must continue to have "faith in God and home-town."

Final steps toward building the Community and Youth Center should be sandwiched in with all the plans and hopes for a better Decatur.

It's spring and we must talk that way, for new life is sprouting again and we must grow with it.

The President's Word:

Adverse criticism on several of the questions to be asked by census takers in the seventeenth decennial census beginning April 1, has caused some misunderstanding among American citizens.

President Truman advises the people to have "no fear" about any information given the enumerators to complete the census. And that information is strictly confidential.

"No person can be harmed in any way by furnishing the information required," President Truman said in his proclamation which took cognizance of recently expressed opposition to questions involving individual income.

"Individual information collected under the census will not be used for purposes of taxation, investigation or regulation or in connection with military or jury service, the compulsion of school attendance, the regulation of immigration or with the enforcement of any national, state or local law or ordinance."

A Disease That Takes Different Forms

By Herman N. Sundesen, M.D.

THE same disease may take very different forms, though generally similar, differ in their course and extent. This fact is well illustrated by the disorder known as ulcerative colitis. In this disease, ulcers or sores form in the large intestine, to cause diarrhea, blood in the bowel movements and great loss of strength and weight.

Of the three types of ulcerative colitis, one is relatively mild. The patient has from two to six bowel movements each 24 hours, and the discomfort is restricted to the lower part of the large bowel.

These patients usually can be improved to a great extent by a bland diet that is low in fat, containing no rough or irritating foods, starting in with liquid, then soft foods, and finally moving on to a normal diet. In the second type of colitis, the discomfort is severe. The condition may come on either suddenly or gradually, but however it comes, it creates a great deal of distress. The patient has five to eight bowel movements each 24 hours, and often is prostrated. There may be from 10 to 15 bowel movements in 24 hours, and there often is some damage to the large intestine.

For these patients, a more drastic treatment is necessary. It has been suggested that these patients may be benefited by a period of treatment varying from 14 to 45 days, during which all food, except white rice, is eliminated. Even white rice is administered by injection into a muscle. Nothing is given by mouth, except small amounts of cracked ice. In the third type of the disease, the chronic form, the condition persists over a long period of time with short intervals during which the symptoms apparently clear up. The patients lose weight, are weak, have a bad heart, and fever.

local law or ordinance.

"There need be no fear that disclosure will be made regarding any individual person or his affairs."

The President's word is good with the American people, so as law-abiding citizens, we should cooperate with the enumerators who perform a needed public duty.

Heavy penalties are provided for those who might divulge confidential census information.

She's a beautiful girl... the 1950 model Miss Spring.

The swallows lived true to legend by returning to Capistrano on March 19. The birds remember their home better than a lot of humans.

Because a Russian farmer's daughters played tennis, instead of helping in the fields, his farm was taken from him. That's Communism without a gun.

"Murder will out," goes an old axiom. The saying will again prove true with the arrest of the thieves who have been burglarizing the Moose home.

Edgar Rice Burroughs who produced the comic strip about the improbable jungle lord Tarzan for newspapers, died at his California ranch after enjoying 35 years of fame from his writings. Without discussing the merits or demerits of the antics in which Tarzan engaged, it should be said that Burroughs devised a unique way of making a living. He left his imagination do the work and stated that he started writing because he had to have money.

When you purchase Easter Seals you are making an investment in a human being, a crippled child who needs your help. Through the purchase of these stamps, funds are provided to furnish medical and therapeutic services for the child, and makes possible recreational aid for those who are unable to afford the needed physical exercise. The local society has mailed hundreds of seals to citizens and remittance to the treasurer of the Adams County Crippled Children's Society will enable these thoughtful persons to assist the child who is most deserving of our help.

GETTING OUT OF YOUR CLASS, SAM?



20 YEARS AGO TODAY

March 21—Commodore defeat University high of St. Louis, 19-17. Bill Gass tosses the winning basket in last few seconds of game.

Claude Ball of Muncie is a candidate for the Democratic nomination for congressman in the 8th district.

D. B. Erwin tells of trip to the Pacific coast in talk at Rotary. Misses Helen Wehner and Mildred Niblick are attending the basketball tournament in Chicago.

The Decatur Moose lodge will initiate another large class of candidates at the Knights of Columbus hall Sunday.

Louis XVI, the luckless monarch executed during the French Revolution.

Modern Etiquette

By ROBERTA LEE

Q. Should the handle of a cup be turned a certain way when passing a cup and saucer to another person?

A. Yes; see that the handle of the cup is turned to the person's right and the handle of the spoon is placed parallel to the handle of the cup.

Q. What gifts may a girl send to a man who is a very good friend, when he is ill?

A. A book or flowers, or just a "get well" card, is all necessary.

Q. Should a woman say, "This is Mr. Jones," or, "This is my husband," when introducing him to an acquaintance?

A. "This is my husband" is the preferred form.

The only commander-in-chief of the Confederate Navy was Admiral Semmes of Mobile.

Household Scrapbook

By ROBERTA LEE

The Chinese Way

The Chinese method for removing ink stains from clothing is to wash the spots with boiled rice. Rub the rice on the stain as you would soap, and wash with clear water. If the first application is not effective, repeat the process.

Tough Rolls
Do not brush the rolls with water after they are taken from the oven, as this makes the crust tough. Brush them with water or butter before putting into the oven.

Skin Softener
To soften and whiten the face, neck, arms, and hands, mix and apply a little raw cornmeal and sour milk.

Man Is Arrested For Disorderly Conduct

Deputy sheriff Bob Shraluka arrested one man despite the man's refusal, Monday night, and city police investigated one minor accident caused by the infatuated.

Deputy Shraluka arrested Arthur Dailey, Bryant, route 2, about 10:15 o'clock last evening southwest of Geneva. Brought to the county jail where he awaits arraignment in mayor's court Wednesday. Dailey is charged with disorderly conduct and resisting arrest.

Cars driven by Robert Gentis, 226 Marshall street, and Lawrence Springer, 1125 Elm street, collided in the 800 block of West Adams street when Gentis failed to see the Springer car in time because he told investigating police, of the fog. Springer was making a left turn into the drive of the Adams county Lumber Co. when hit by the Gentis car. Damage to the Gentis car was estimated at \$50; to the Springer car, \$30.

Caldwell Appointed To State Fair Board

Indianapolis, March 21—(UPI)—Harry E. Caldwell, Connersville, was a member of the state fair board today.

Overseer of the fair, Caldwell, well as a replacement for Robert M. Schram, Peru, who resigned. He will serve until Dec. 31, 1951.

Doctor Might Have Saved Co-ed's Life

Expert Action Might Have Averted Death

Iowa City, Ia., March 21—(UPI)—For a few terrifying minutes, pretty coed Margaret "Gee Gee" Jackson might have been saved from the strangulation death of which her sweetheart stands accused, a doctor said today.

Dr. Isom A. Rankin, a physician who was called to the scene the night Miss Jackson died, told the United Press that expert action as she hovered between life and death "very probably" would have prevented the tragedy.

He did not reach the girl in time and the few precious moments were lost, the doctor said.

Rankin was one of three physicians called to testify for the state today in the first degree murder trial of Robert Bednasek, moody 24-year-old University of Iowa psychology student.

Bednasek is charged with strangling the socially prominent girl in a men's rooming house last Dec. 11 following an intimate dinner of lobster and burgundy wine.

County attorney Jack White says medical testimony will prove that Miss Jackson's throat injuries were so severe that her death could not have been an accident as claimed by the defense.

To back up that contention, he called Rankin in addition to Dr. E. J. Boyd, prominent pathologist, and county coroner George D. Callahan.

Rankin told the United Press that if an incision could have been made into Miss Jackson's throat within three minutes—"or even longer"—after she collapsed, she would not have strangled.

"The operation could have been performed with a pocket knife," he said.

Rankin said he had been "quite perturbed" ever since because he hadn't been able to reach the girl in time.

Bednasek claims he was playfully showing Miss Jackson how to make a person "black out" by applying pressure on the neck when she suddenly fainted.

He said he was sure her heart was beating when he rushed to a police station to summon aid. But when that aid arrived, nearly 20 minutes later, Miss Jackson was dead.

The state charges that unrequited love drove Bednasek to kill the 20-year-old coed. But yesterday, Joe Krapek of Osage, Ia., a student who lived in the rooming house with Bednasek, testified that Miss Jackson nodded assent when the dream-eyed defendant said they planned to marry soon.

Winners Named In Americanism Contest

Berne, Mar. 21—Miss Dorothy Earls, a student in the Geneva high school, and Bill Kipter, a sophomore in the Berne-French high school, won first place in the girls' and boys' divisions respectively of the Americanism contest sponsored by the auxiliary of Berne Legion Post 468. The subject of the essays was "The Rights We Defend." Prizes of \$1.50 went to each of the winners and the essays go to district competition. Second prizes of five dollars went to Grace Baumgartner and Don Neuen, both students in the local school.

Court News

Petition Filed

Petition to amend plaintiff's complaint filed for the Kocher Lumber Co. by their attorney, Ed Bosse, in further action against John E. Meyer et al. The complaint strikes the names of Harold Baker, Hugh Engle and Edgar Kress from the action claiming they were put there in the first instance "merely to answer as to any interest they may have had in the premises and for no other purpose." The petition further alleges that the defendants have

Way And Blackie slipped him? After talking on the phone, presumably to his boss. It was to be inferred, of course, that he had received orders to slug him. But why?

Shayne scowled and slipped, and always came right back to that baffling question. If he wasn't on the right track, if the limousine hadn't been the one used in the jewel robbery, why should they bother to slug him and get him out of the garage?

No, Shayne didn't believe he had been mistaken about the limousine. That far, his hunch had been right. Then why had Blackie received orders to put him out of the way? Shayne was the contact they needed. Their only chance to make a decent profit from the stolen bracelet... if Voorland was right in stating that the star rubies would be almost worthless if cut into smaller stones so they could be safely disposed of.

In retrospect, he went over and over the brief dialogue in the garage, seeking a clue to the irrational excitement. He had certainly made his own position clear enough. Blackie couldn't possibly have misconstrued his words sufficiently to get the impression that Shayne was threatening the safety of the mob. There was a definite way in which such matters were always handled, and Shayne's reputation certainly assured them that they need have no fear of a doublecross from him.

(To Be Continued)

Lenten Meditation

(Rev. John E. Chambers,
Trinity Evangelical United Brethren Church)

"SPIRITUAL PARASITES"

"Let the redeemed of the Lord say so"—Ps. 107:2.

In every community there are those who enjoy the benefits and protections of the church, yet acknowledge no responsibility to it. It was P. T. Barnum who said "Show me a place where there are not any churches, and I will show you a place where old hats are stuffed in windows, where the gates have no hinges, where the women are slipshod, and where maps of the devil's wild land are printed on men."

Men may be good men without the church, but only because of the influences of the church that make it possible. We benefit most from the church when we become a very definite part of it. "We cannot worship by proxy. Only as we attend in person, and blend our hearts and voices with others in the Redeemer's praise, can our souls be blessed. The tragedy of the empty church pew is not in the breaking of a faithful pastor's heart, nor in the worry and embarrassment it may cause the official board, but in the impoverishment of the absentee." As Dr. McPheters said during Spiritual Emphasis Week a year ago, "Christians attend Church."

We urge you to attend the church of your choice every Sunday.

hampered and delayed action. Howard, both of Fort Wayne.

Certificates Filed
Elmer C. Beer, Democrat, precinct committeeman, middle Monroe.

Ralph Bollenbacher, Democrat, precinct committeeman, east Jefferson.

John A. Kintz, Democrat, county commissioner, second district.

Leo E. Engle, Republican, precinct committeeman, French township.

AUCTION—Fruits and vegetables, Baked goods, Fresh eggs, Fancy work.—Monmouth P. T. A., Friday, March 24 at 7:30. 6713

Stockholders Meeting
Notice is hereby given that the annual meeting of the Citizens Telephone Company at Decatur, Indiana, will be held at the office of the Secretary of said company in the city of Decatur, Indiana, on Tuesday, March 28, 1950, at 7:00 o'clock P. M. CST for the purpose of determining the number of directors and to elect directors to serve for the coming year, to hear and consider reports of officers, directors, and committees to date of the meeting, and to transact any and all other business that may properly come before the meeting.

Charles D. Elmore, Secretary
7/28, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25

Cause Dismissed
On motion of the plaintiff, John Joseph, the action against Raymond C. Keller is dismissed.

Motion Filed
Motion for judgment by default filed in the cause of Henry and Mary Steinbunner vs. Sangor Huey as administrator of the Troy Huey estate.

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