



Miss Karen Ann Braun

## Miss Braun Engaged To Wed June 18

Mr. and Mrs. Herman L. Braun, rural route 4, Decatur, announce the engagement of their daughter, Karen Ann, to Gerald Loshe, son of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Loshe, to Gerald Loshe, the bride-elect is a senior at Decatur Catholic high school. Her fiancé was graduated from Decatur Catholic high school and is employed at the Central Soya Co., Inc. June 18 is the date set for the wedding.

## Three Top Highway Employees Resign

INDIANAPOLIS (UPI) — The chief clerk of the Indiana Highway Department's audit division and two of his top aides resigned late Tuesday in protest to "discrimination in compensation" of audit division workers.

T. G. McCulloch, who has been chief clerk for the past five years, resigned effective Jan. 31 together with assistant chief clerk Olive McConnell and salary payroll clerk Mary Ellen Holt.

"The division of audit has not kept pace with other organizational elements of the department in regard to compensation," McCulloch charged in a letter to Peters, highway chairman.

Peters confirmed that he had denied the requested pay increases but said, "I've got one choice and that's to live within my budget."

McCulloch, a retired Army colonel from New Albany who took the position during the administration of ex-Gov. George N. Craig, said he was resigning to protest the lack of pay hikes for 36 of his employees. He charged that increases were approved for the 36 but they failed to receive any raises.

"The total amount of money involved in these 36 recommendations amounts to less than \$600 a month," McCulloch said. "Twenty-six were for only \$10 a month."

McCulloch said that from 1953 to 1959 the salary for chief clerk was raised 21 per cent, from \$7,200 to \$8,700, while other division heads received raises ranging up to 111 per cent.

## Hospital

### Admitted

Mrs. Clyde Butler, Decatur; Henry Bohnke, Monroeville; Frank Crates, Monroeville; Donald Myers, New Haven; Mrs. Chalmor Huston, Rockford, O.; Miss Pamela Ertel, Monroeville; Mrs. Pamela Gaskill, Monroeville.

### Dismissed

Mrs. John P. Mazelin, Berne; Miss Betty Bowers, Monroeville; Baby Tanjima Weidner, Geneva; Miss Joan Albers, Keystone; Mrs. Walter Fegley, Decatur; Baby Stephen E. Girod, Monroe; Roman D. Schwartz, Berne; Otto J. Bieberich, Decatur, is still a patient in the Adams county hospital. His name was inadvertently listed under the dismissals in the Tuesday issue of the Democrat.

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## Locals

Mr. and Mrs. Ward Calland arrived home Tuesday after visiting for a few months in Virginia.

Noah Rich will return Sunday from a two weeks stay in Excelsior Springs, Mo.

Among the out-of-town relatives in Decatur for the funeral of Miss Susan Gerber Tuesday were Mr. and Mrs. John Suter, Lake Mills, Wis.; Miss Marcella Hower, Indianapolis, Mr. and Mrs. Marion Fessel and children, New Haven, Mrs. Gail Keeble, Minneapolis, Minn., and Mr. and Mrs. Robert McGriff, Gibson City, Ill. Mr. and Mrs. Suter will remain in Decatur until the end of the week.

Catherine Rhodes, of Geneva, has been admitted to the Jay county hospital.

Juanita Brown has been dismissed from the Jay county hospital.

Lawrence B. Slater, 58, of Washington, D.C., who helped organize more than 500 Lions clubs in the United States, was buried today following his death last Sunday. He was field director from 1928-48 for Lions International.

Eric Schaadt of Wren has been dismissed from the Van Wert, O., county hospital.

George Cannon, a sophomore at the University of Notre Dame, will visit here Thursday with his uncle, John Joseph.

Miss Eleanor Pumphrey returned to her job as high school librarian Monday following a prolonged absence due to surgery.

## Family Night Supper At Reformed Church

A family night supper will be held in the Zion Evangelical and Reformed church, Third and Jackson streets, honoring the new members received during 1959. Friday evening at 6:15 o'clock. This will be a carry-in supper with all families, except the new members, being asked to bring two covered dishes and table service. The meat, coffee and rolls will be furnished.

There will be a period of fellowship and getting acquainted with the 30 new members received during the past year, and group singing. J. O. Sellemeyer and Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Leonardson will present the program by means of slides and movies. All members of the church are invited.

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# SOCIETY

## JEWELRY DISPLAYED AT LEGION AUXILIARY MEETING

A display of jewelry was the highlight of the American Legion auxiliary social meeting Friday evening.

The members enjoyed an evening of cards, with prizes going to the following ladies: pinochle, first prize, Mrs. Ben Eiting; second prize, Mrs. R. C. Hersh; bridge, first prize, Mrs. Joseph Kitzon; second prize, Mrs. T. C. Smith. The committee in charge of the evening was Mrs. Joseph Hunter, chairman, Mrs. Byrl Hunt, and Mrs. Severin Schurger.

The auxiliary will hold a business meeting February 12 at 8 p.m.

## MRS. MCCULLOUGH HOSTS PLEASANT MILLS W. M. S.

Mrs. Paul McCullough was hostess recently for a meeting of the Pleasant Mills Baptist Women's Missionary Society.

Mrs. Lowell Noll, president, opened the meeting and a hymn was sung by the group. Mrs. Ed Melching was in charge of devotions, which were followed by prayer. Miss Sally McCullough gave the secretary and treasurer's report and a love gift was presented by Mrs. Ralph Longenberger.

The lesson on "greater works through Christian social relations" was presented by Mrs. Ben McCullough. During the social hour, refreshments were served by Mrs. Paul McCullough, assisted by her daughter, Ruth Ann. Miss Sally McCullough was winner of the door prize. The meeting concluded with the friendship circle and the Mizpah Benediction.

## FUTURE MEETINGS, PARTIES PLANNED BY AUXILIARY

A Valentine party to be held February 12 at the Eagle Hall was one of the topics of discussion at the Tuesday night meeting of the Eagles auxiliary.

The supper chairman, Mrs. Westley Morris and Mrs. Dwight Whitacre, reported to the group. Mrs. John Morgan reported on the skating party and thanked Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Miller, owner-operators of Happy Hours roller rink, for their co-operation with the club and the community.

Mrs. Raymond Bodie, chairman of the pepper sales, was informed of the progress of ordering and Mrs. Ray Kramer and Mrs. Arthur Irwin were named chairman of the Valentine party. Plans were completed for members attending a meeting in Van Wert at 2 p.m. Sunday. Mrs. Ray Meyers reminded the club of the ritual practice to be held the first Tuesday night of February from 8 to 9 p.m.

## BUILDING CAMPAIGN DINNER DRAWS LARGE CROWD

Approximately 100 members and friends of the Church of God attended a fellowship dinner held Saturday evening at the Youth and Community Center in conjunction with the church building fund campaign.

The program included a welcome by the Rev. Huston Bever, Jr., master of ceremonies for the evening, group singing led by Mrs. Kenneth Watkins, and talks given by three laymen of the church, Herman Hammond, Mrs. Willard Landis, and Clarence Strickler. A song written by Mrs. Willard Landis was sung by the church quartet and Ralph Phile, campaign director, spoke on "How to Build a Church."

Lighted churches, choir boys, and candles adorned the tables and a floral centerpiece decorated the speakers table. Individual places were marked with miniature churches made from cube sugar. A green and white color scheme predominated.

Hostesses for the evening were Mrs. Paul Myers, Mrs. Kenneth Mitchell, Mrs. Emory Hawkins, Mrs. Gilbert Strickler, Mrs. Elmer Scott, Mrs. Clarence Stapleton, Mrs. Verlyn Geyer, Mrs. Floyd Mitchell, and Mrs. Kenneth Watkins, chairman.

Benediction offered by the general chairman, Robert Strickler, concluded the meeting.

Eagles Auxiliary will conduct a ritual practice Tuesday from 8 to 9 p.m. at the Eagles hall.

Juniors of the American Legion Auxiliary will meet at the Legion home Monday from 4 to 6:30 p.m.

## Clubs

Calendar items for each day's publication must be phoned in by 11 a.m. (Saturday 9:30). Phone 3-2121

### Sue Estill

### WEDNESDAY

Epsilon Sigma chapter of Beta Sigma Phi, Elks home, 8 p.m.  
Xi Alpha Iota chapter of Beta Sigma Phi, Mrs. John Holthouse, 8 p.m.

Ave Maria study club, Mrs. Raymond Kohne, 8 p.m.  
Bethany Circle of E. and R. church, church parlors, 7:30 p.m.

Women's Association of First Presbyterian church, at the church, 8 p.m.  
Friendship circle of E&R church, Margaret Klickman, 7:30 p.m.

### THURSDAY

Order of Eastern Star, Masonic hall, 7:30 p.m.  
Monroe W.C.T.U., Mrs. Jack McBride, 1:30 p.m.

Women of Moose, Moose Home, officers at 7:30 p.m., lodge at 8 p.m.

Ladies Fellowship of Missionary church, parsonage basement, 7 p.m.

St. Ann's study club, Mrs. Leona Coffee, 1:30 p.m.

Our Lady of Victory study club, Mrs. Nick Braun, 7:30 p.m.

### FRIDAY

Friendship circle of Missionary church, Mrs. Lloyd Reef, 7:30 p.m.

### MONDAY

Firemen's Auxiliary Tupperware party, fire station, 7:30 p.m.  
Junior Women's Department of Decatur Woman's club, Mrs. Henry Commager, 7:45 p.m.

Juniors of American Legion Auxiliary, Legion home, 4 to 6:30 p.m.

### TUESDAY

Eagles Auxiliary ritual practice, Eagles hall, 8 p.m.

## Girl Scouts

Brownie Troop 377 met after school at the Lincoln school. Dues and roll call were taken. The troop talked about a trip to see tropical fish. They worked on first aid and closed by singing the Brownie song.

Scribe, Marta Hitchcock

Brownie troop 230 met Monday after school. The meeting was opened with repeating the Brownie promise. The roll was called and minutes read. The girls then carved objects out of soap. Peggy Mankey served the treat. Linda Merriman is to serve treat next week.

Scribe, Beverly Geyer

Brownie troop 551 held their regular meeting Tuesday evening after school. Attendance and dues were taken. Plans were made for the Brownie outdoor play day, which will be held Saturday. Ann Brecht treated the troop. Games were played and the meeting closed with the singing of "Taps" and "Goodnight Brownies".

Scribe, Eunice Wynn

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## Steury Is Granted Europe Scholarship

William J. Steury, 19, of Bluffton, son of Mr. and Mrs. Amos Steury of that city and a nephew of Noah Steury of Decatur, will leave Feb. 4 for Europe, where he has been granted a scholarship for study in Vienna, Austria. Last May 8 Steury received the Young American medal for bravery from the president of the United States for bravery. Steury is a sophomore at the University of New Mexico.

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## Seek Solution To Barrymore Death

NEW YORK (UPI) — Authorities today sought the solution to the mystery of the death of Diana Barrymore.

Deputy Police Inspector Joseph McLaughlin said Tuesday night the death of the 38-year-old actress would remain under investigation but added that there was no indication of suicide or foul play.

The nude body of the daughter of matinee idol John Barrymore was found Monday afternoon in her \$230-a-month East Side Manhattan apartment.

No Signs of Violence  
An autopsy Tuesday failed to disclose "any evident cause" for her death and a chemical analysis of her vital organs was ordered.

The body bore no signs of violence, police said.  
Miss Barrymore was known to have given a party in her apartment the night before she died. Police found three empty liquor bottles—one scotch, one gin and one vermouth—in the kitchen. Several tablets and other sedatives were found in a bedroom cabinet.

Police said, however, there was no indication she had taken an overdose of drugs.

Appeared Depressed  
Mrs. Essee Kucpnet, wife of Chicago columnist Irv Kucpnet, one of several persons who dropped in at Miss Barrymore's apartment Sunday night, said the actress appeared depressed recently and had a foreboding she was soon to die.

"She had been full of concern about dying," Mrs. Kucpnet said. "She told me 'I want you to get a nice black hat and a veil for my funeral — it's going to be soon.'"

"All last week she kept saying 'I am running out of time' and 'I will die soon.'"

## Explorers Continue With Fund Raising

The Decatur Explorer Scout Post, 2062, sponsored by the Decatur Elks Lodge, plans to continue its revenue raising project of car washing on Sundays until a sufficient fund has been raised for proposed activities.

Cars will be picked up and delivered after washing, according to Scoutmaster Dr. Mel Weisman. The cars will be washed by the 13 members at Al Schmitt's Sinclair Station at Second street.

They plan to redecorate an old bus and use it as their transportation to their various travel outings. Featured on the agenda are trips to explore caves over the Memorial Day weekend; a 10-day trip to an Air Force base near Cape Canaveral, Fla.; and various other forthcoming projects this summer. All funds used will come from the car washing or private sources.

Dr. Weisman also advised that, interested, may enroll for the probationary period. If the youth proves himself acceptable, he will become a full fledged Explorer Scout.

## Calves Stolen From Farm Near Geneva

A modern day cattle rustling took place at the Edwin Speicher farm Monday night when two calves were taken from the farm by means of a pick-up truck. The calves, owned by Wayne Derrickson, of route 2, Geneva, and valued at \$120, were found missing Tuesday at noon when Derrickson went to feed the animals as is his custom.

Six of the eight calves were in the barn yard, but two were missing. He searched the area, but could find only wheel tracks, apparently from a pick-up truck. Sheriff's department deputies investigated and followed several leads last night, but they proved invalid. The investigation, however, continues. Geneva marshal Preston Pyle assisted the sheriff's department in the search Tuesday afternoon. The Speicher farm is located about a mile east of Geneva.

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## List Honor Pupils For Decatur High

The honor roll for the third six weeks of the first semester at the Decatur high school was announced today by Hugh J. Andrews, principal.

There are 45 students on the high school and 22 on the eighth grade list. The complete roll follows:

**High School**

	A	B
Dennis Ahr	5	
Lois Gerke	5	
Carolyn Steele	5	
Mary Kocher	4	1
Alice Allwein	4	
John Cowan	4	
Cynthia Cravens	4	
Carol Norquest	4	
Rita Norquest	4	
David Swickard	4	
Dan Heller	4	

**Eighth Grade**

	A	B
Richard Doty	10	
Marilyn Knudsen	10	
Margaret Kocher	9	1

**Monica Badenhop** 3 2  
**Jack Dailey** 3 2  
**Julia Ellsworth** 3 2  
**Kay Stoppenhagen** 3 2  
**Katherine Bischoff** 3 2  
**Paul Feller** 3 1  
**Roselyn Flora** 3 1  
**Colleen Kelly** 3 1  
**Connie Kiess** 3 1  
**Ronald Kiess** 3 1  
**Alice Lillich** 3 1  
**Tom McIntosh** 3 1  
**James Reidenbach** 3 1  
**Alice Schroeder** 3 1  
**Kathleen Smith** 3 1  
**Loretta Wass** 3 1  
**Karen Zimmerman** 3 1

**Thomas Cravens** 2 3  
**Betty Haugk** 2 3  
**Janice Heemstra** 2 3  
**Janice Allison** 2 2  
**Ronald August** 2 2  
**Judy Brodbeck** 2 2  
**Roger Fuelling** 2 2  
**David Gay** 2 2  
**Thomas Grabill** 2 2  
**Richard Hakey** 2 2  
**Stewart Knodel** 2 2  
**Thomas Maddox** 2 2  
**Karen Rutter** 2 2  
**Michael Thieme** 2 2  
**Marceda Whetstone** 2 2

**Los Angeles Trial Recessed To Monday**

LOS ANGELES (UPI)—Dr. R. Bernard Finch is expected to go on the witness stand following resumption of his and Carole Tregoff's murder trial Monday and tell for the first time about the slaying of his wife.

The suave, 42-year-old surgeon has never publicly told his version of the July 18 meeting outside his \$65,000 suburban home which ended with Barbara Jean Finch, 33, lying dead on the lawn with a bullet wound in her back.

His attorney, Grant Cooper, has indicated Finch will say the shooting was accidental in a struggle for a gun which Mrs. Finch had in her car.

Finch's co-defendant and admitted mistress, Carole Tregoff, 23, said she and Finch went to meet Mrs. Finch that fatal night to talk to her about her pending divorce suit. Miss Tregoff said she ran from the scene before the shooting.

Cooper said that — barring a change in the states' plans to complete its case by Tuesday — he will make his opening statement Tuesday afternoon and Finch will begin his testimony Wednesday.

The case was recessed Tuesday until Monday when a juror and one of the prosecution's few remaining witnesses, federal Judge Albert H. Miller, became ill. Miller presided at the preliminary hearing of Finch.

Further possible delay of the trial may come about because of Carl Chessman's appeal to escape execution at San Quentin. Judge Walter Evans who is presiding at the Finch trial sat in the Chessman case when a transcript was made and may be subpoenaed to appear in San Francisco at Chessman's appeal.

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